

Western Samoa	Customs Regulations 2011
<i>Household Goods and Personal Effects</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>To import duty free</b>, shipper must have a Samoan work permit ( for expatriate) or have resided outside of Samoa for a minimum 12 months prior to returning to Samoa (for Samoan national) and must have owned and used all the personal effects for a minimum 12 months and are all for personal use and not for re-sale.</li> <li>▪ <b>For any shipper that does not fulfill these criteria</b> the entire shipment will be subject to import duty at varying rate.</li> <li>▪ <b>Diplomats require</b> duty free certificate issued by Ministry of Foreign Affairs whilst UN/NGO/AID employees require duty free certificate issued by their sponsor government department.</li> <li>▪ <b>All shipments must be ISPM15 compliant.</b> Additional quarantine charges might apply.</li> </ul>
<i>Prohibited and Restricted Goods</i>	<p>Never mix personal effects with commercial goods.</p> <p>Generally pornography, guns, fireworks, narcotics, gambling instruments and subversive or offensive literature are banned as are agricultural products.</p>
<i>Motor Vehicles (Autos and Motorbikes)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cars are complicated to import.</li> <li>▪ Generally only diplomats can import duty free but under certain circumstances individuals can import but the procedure is lengthy and complicated.</li> </ul> <p><b>Check with JVK before shipping.</b></p>
<i>Animals and Pets</i>	<p>Pets may be imported but a valid Import Permit is required to be issued prior to arrival of the pet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pets must be forwarded as manifested cargo under an Airway Bill (not hand carried).</li> <li>▪ To apply for an Import Permit we require the general details of the pet (name, sex, breed, age, color).</li> <li>▪ Import Permits can take up to 2 weeks to issue and shipments <b>MUST NOT</b> be forwarded without an Import Permit.</li> <li>▪ When the pet is forwarded it is essential that the rabies vaccination and general vaccination certificates are attached to the Airway Bill.</li> <li>▪ Up to 4 months quarantine is required at an approved quarantine establishment. Length of quarantine depends which country the pet is imported from.</li> </ul> <p><b>Contact JVK for more details.</b></p>
<i>Consignment Instructions</i>	<p><b>Consign both sea and air shipments to:</b>        Shipper (name spelt exactly as in passport)        c/o shipper employer or home address.</p> <p><b>Notify Party:</b>        Betham Freight Services        PO Box 1526        Apia, Samoa.        Tel: 685-20 270        Fax: 685-20 271        e-mail: <a href="mailto:samoa@jvcpacific.com">samoa@jvcpacific.com</a></p> <p>Please ensure a copy of pre-advice and shipping documents are forward to JVK Australia before shipment arrival.        JVK Magellan International Movers Pty Ltd        Tel: 61 -7-5309 6890        Fax: 61-7-5335 1663        e-mail: <a href="mailto:australia@jvcpacific.com">australia@jvcpacific.com</a></p>