



IMPORTING PERSONAL EFFECTS IN IRAN

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

All shipments are subject to inspection by Customs Authority. Client need not be present if Power of Attorney issued to Destination Agent is verified by an Iranian Notary Public. Used household goods and personal effects are duty free provided goods have been owned and used by the client for a minimum of six months and client has lived abroad for at least one year. Regardless of client status, port of entry or destination all household goods are subject to a two phase process.

Stage 1: All goods are transferred in bond to **Tehran South Customs** – Transit from Airport = 1 day; from Tehran West Customs = 2 days; from Bandar Abbas = 5-10 days.

Stage 2: Final Clearance at Tehran South Customs, takes one day, than onto final destination

Surface shipments must arrive to an Iranian port not later than six months after client's arrival.

Air shipments must arrive to an Iranian airport not later than three months after client's arrival.

Note: Please consult with your Destination Agent for the latest directives affecting Customs Regulations and Requirements prior to departure to Iran.

Returning Citizens: A person or family who has resided abroad for at least one year (the last 6 months continuously without returning to Iran) can import a reasonable amount of used household and personal goods duty-free. The client must be present during Customs clearance. The shipment must arrive within 2 months of the returning Iranian citizen.

Note: After arrival the domicile in the passport should be changed to Iran

Diplomat Status:

Foreign diplomats, members of government or international organizations are granted duty free entry of their personal effects and used household items. Presence of the client is not required.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

Documents required for Household goods/personal effects Customs Clearance:

- ✓ Original Passport
- ✓ Original Bill of Lading (OBL) / Air Waybill (AWB)
- ✓ Packing list
- ✓ Original Work Permit
- ✓ Work Visa (foreigners)
- ✓ Resident Permit (foreigners with a Work Visa)
- ✓ Exemption Letter from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Foreign Diplomats)

Documents required for Diplomatic Shipment:

- ✓ Diplomatic Exemption – obtained from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Iran
- ✓ Passport – original
- ✓ Comprehensive inventory



DUTIABLE/RESTRICTED ITEMS:

The Ministry of Islamic Culture and Guidance censors and upon approval releases for Customs clearance all books, magazines, printed materials, audio and video materials.

- ✓ Books, magazines, DVD's CD'S should be packed separately from other HHG and stowed near the container door
- ✓ New items - subject to duty & high commercial taxes and may also be subject to re-exporting
- ✓ Plants

PROHIBITED ITEMS:

- ✓ Firearms and ammunition
- ✓ Alcoholic beverages, including wine and beer
- ✓ Pork
- ✓ Narcotics/illegal drugs of any kind
- ✓ Pornographic materials (magazines, films, videocassettes, DVDs, etc.)
- ✓ Short wave radios, playing cards and all gambling paraphernalia

IMPORTING MOTOR VEHICLES:

Diplomats may import vehicles duty-free with Exemption from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iran. All other clients must have prior approval from the Ministry of Commerce. The process is lengthy and must be initiated by the client directly. Vehicles over three years old are prohibited. Vehicles must be left hand drive. Diesel engines are prohibited.

Required Documents:

- ✓ Permit from the Ministry of Commerce
- ✓ OBL
- ✓ Vehicle Title / Registration
- ✓ Proof of Insurance

IMPORTING PETS:

Pets may enter as accompanied baggage or cargo. Birds, cats and dogs must be accompanied by the Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the Consulate in the origin country. Contact agent for specific information regarding the importation of animals.

Required Documents:

- ✓ Vaccination Record
- ✓ Veterinary Health Certificate

****Customs requirements are established by the country of import and not by Servile Relocations Pvt. Ltd. The regulations, however, are subject to change without notice by the Iran Customs. Servile Relocations Pvt. Ltd. assumes no liability for the changes in the law.**