



**GHANA**



## **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS**

### **HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

#### **Documents Required**

- Copy of valid Passport with Entry Visa
- Packing list
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) - no Express Release / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Detailed valued inventory French, signed and dated by the shipper
- Work permit (issued by Ministry of Labor)
- Certificate of First Settlement (issued by Immigration)
- Work Visa
- Fiche Electronique de Renseignements a I (FERI)

#### **Specific Information**

- Diplomatic shipments can be imported duty free, provided that the Diplomatic Mission has received the Exemption Certificate from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- To apply for this exemption, original documents are needed (including the original AWB) at least 14 days prior to arrival of the shipment.

### **MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **Documents Required**

- Original Registration Card
- Copy of Purchase Invoice
- OBL / AWB
- Non-sale Certificate

#### **Specific Information**

- The taxes on motor vehicles depend on the age, weight, power etc. and range from 8% to 46% cost, insurance and freight (CIF).
- The OBL must show chassis number, engine number, cubic capacity, year of manufacture, brand and model.

### **PETS**

#### **Documents Required**

- Vaccination Record
- Veterinary Health Certificate
- Import Permit (from the Veterinary head office in Accra)

#### **Specific Information**

- Documents must be presented for pet entry into Ghana.

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## RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- Firearms and ammunitions (authorization from the territorial administration is required)
- Drugs
- Alcohol ("Fond de Cave") is acceptable and duty free (max 20 bottles)
- Rough or uncut diamonds (license from the Ministry of Finance required)
- Live plants and plant products (a permit from the Ministry of Agriculture is required)
- Poultry products (permission from the Ministries of Trade and Agriculture is required for certain countries); contact agent for specific information.

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Illegal drugs
- Counterfeit items
- Pornographic materials
- Foreign soil

## CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

**Recommended:** Contact the destination agent to ensure all requirements have been met prior to import, especially for differences regarding air / sea shipments.

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### Helpful Website(s):

[http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/cis/cis\\_1124.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1124.html)

<http://www.ghanaembassy.org>