



**ZIMBABWE**



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

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

#### **Documents Required**

- Original Passport
- Packing list
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) - no Express Release / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Original valued inventory in English, dated and signed by the shipper
- Resident / Work Permit / Letter of Employment

#### **Specific Information**

- Resident / Work Permit / Letter of Employment must explain details of new contract in Zimbabwe.
- Goods should be only household goods and personal effects in order to be duty free.
- Transferees must be present during Customs clearance.
- Customs will inspect all shipments.
- Diplomats are exempt from duties.
- Diplomats and returning citizens who live 2 or more years abroad are exempt from duties.
- A Duty Exemption Letter from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs must be obtained for diplomatic shipments.

### **MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **Documents Required**

- Original Registration Card
- Certificate of Ownership
- Change of Residence Certificate
- Copy of Purchase Invoice

#### **Specific Information**

- Taxes on vehicle will depend on age, power, etc. (100% to 110% CIF).
- The OBL must show the chassis number, engine number, cubic capacity, year of manufacture, brand and model.

### **PETS**

#### **Documents Required**

- Certificate of Vaccination
- Zimbabwe Veterinary Health Certificate
- Import License (from the Director of Veterinary Services)

#### **Specific Information**

- Permission from the Director of Veterinary Services is required prior to import.

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## RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- Plants and seeds and animals (Agricultural Certificate and Phytosanitary Certificate are required from the Embassy)
- Medication
- Firearms and ammunitions (authorization from the territorial administration is required)
- Wine and spirits (2 L)
- Cigarettes (200)

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Drugs
- Explosive materials
- Foreign soil
- Pornography, defamatory or obscene publications
- Cultural artifacts and other objects of cultural importance
- Henna
- Palm tree and any products thereof

## 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\\_1063.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1063.html)

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