

Customs Regulations in Ghana

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- Passport
- Letter of Transfer from the shippers employer
- Ghana Customs Form C.12
- Inventory (in English, with values, dated, and signed)
- PUBD Form ("Personal Unaccompanied Baggage Declaration") to be filled out at airport of arrival, failure may cause penalty and delay.

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

- Used household goods duty-free if goods have been in owner's possession for at least six months and are for the continued use of the owner and not for resale
- Goods must arrive within 12 months of customer's arrival

DUTIABLE/RESTRICTED ITEMS

- Items less than six months old are subject to duties
- Excessive amounts of food
- Medications (prescription required except for first aid items)
- Electrical appliances; only one item is authorized per family. The second is subject to payment of Customs duties and taxes
 - New electrical items are subject to payment of Customs duties and taxes

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Firearms and weapons (proof of ownership, Import License, Police Withdrawal Permit, and License from Ministry of Interior required)
- Ports of import are limited
- Drugs
- Pornographic material
- Explosives
- Counterfeit money
- Alcohol and other spirits are prohibited and should be sent separately

MOTOR VEHICLES

- Customer's presence at Customs clearance may be required
- Cars over five years old pay graduated penalty, according to year of manufacture
- Right hand cars are now allowed but with graduated penalty charges, also steering wheels are removed at the ports and vehicles towed to its destination
- Size limit: above 1600cc dutiable
- Documents required:
 - Customs Form C.12/SAD
 - Proof of ownership, i.e. Insurance Certificate, Registration Card
 - Original Purchase Invoice

Other Charges (no exempt) for all shipping to tema ports/Ghana

Attention must be drawn to;

- Freight charges
- Clearing charges

- Shipping line charges
- Insurance charges
- Ghana ports & harbour authority charges
- Delays charges at ports (demurrage)

PETS

- CUSTOMER'S PRESENCE IS REQUIRED FOR CLEARANCE
- Proof of inoculation from a registered veterinarian
- Quarantine required in a licensed kennel
- Import license issued after quarantine period is completed

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