

This guide is compiled from the FIDI Customs Guide for reference only. Customs regulations change frequently; please consult your Seapoe relocation consultant for the latest requirements before shipping.

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Removal Goods

Documents Required

- Shipping Documents:
 - Original Bill of Lading, Express Bill of Lading, or Air Waybill from the origin point.
 - Through Bill of Lading or Air Waybill from the transshipment point (if applicable).
- Packing List:
 - A detailed list of all shipped items, written clearly in English.
- Client Identification:
 - A clear copy of the shipper's passport, including the photo page and current visa pages.
- Authorization & Customs Forms:
 - Letter to Customs
 - Letter of Authorization
- A copy of the client's employer Business Registration Certificate.
- Please Note:
 - Your agent will provide the necessary templates, which must be printed on your company's official letterhead.
 - You must submit two (2) complete copies of all the above documents for each shipment.

Customs Prescriptions

- Tax-Free Import: Approved for used household goods if your visa is valid for 1+ year upon shipment arrival.
- Alcohol: Always subject to import taxes and duties.
- Dry Food: Permitted in small, personal-use quantities only.
- Required: A detailed list of all contents and their values.

Remarks

- Eligibility & Key Regulations
- Who Can Import?
- Foreign nationals employed by a registered company in Cambodia.
- Cambodian nationals returning from abroad to resume residence.
- Shipment Arrival Requirement:
 - Customs clearance procedures can only begin after your shipment has arrived at the port.
- Presence in Cambodia:
 - The shipper must be physically present in Cambodia when the shipment arrives.
- Documentation & Timing
 - Document deadline: To ensure timely clearance, provide all required documents to your destination agent at least 10 working days before the vessel's arrival.
- Official Letters: All letters submitted to Cambodian Ministries must be:
 - Printed on official company letterhead
 - Signed with a fresh, wet signature in blue ink.

- Shipment Limits: There are currently no restrictions on the number of shipments you can import.

Diplomat or NGO Removals

Documents Required

- Shipping Documents:
 - Original Bill of Lading, Express Bill of Lading, or Air Waybill from the origin point.
 - Through Bill of Lading or Air Waybill from the transshipment point (if applicable).
- Packing List:
 - Detailed list of all shipped items, written clearly in English.
- Client Identification:
 - Clear copy of the shipper's passport, including the photo page
- Notification of arrival from MOFA.
- Authorization & Customs Forms:
 - Letter to Customs
 - Letter of Authorization
- Please Note:
 - Your agent will provide the necessary templates, which must be printed on your mission/ company's official letterhead.
 - You must submit two (2) complete copies of all the above documents for each shipment.

Customs Prescriptions

- Household goods and personal effects are duty and tax-free.
- For diplomats, there are no general limits on alcohol imports.
- If a diplomat has a formal quota (via MOFA agreement), that quota is the official limit.

Remarks

- All letters to Cambodian Ministries must be:
 - Printed on official mission or company letterhead.
 - Signed with a fresh (wet) signature in blue ink.
- The "Notification of Arrival" is issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) after the shipper has physically begun their new assignment in Cambodia. The standard processing time for this document is approximately 5 working days.
- Important: Typically, only the US Embassy can apply for this notification in advance of arrival. All other personnel should confirm with their employing mission if early application is possible.
- Allow 2 to 3 weeks for the full customs clearance process to be completed. Be advised that demurrage and storage charges will apply during this period.

Motorcycle and Vehicle

Documents Required

- Original Bill of Lading or Express BL (from point of origin) and Through Bill of Lading (from transshipment point).
- Commercial invoice.
- Clear copy of shipper's passport with photo page.

Customs Prescriptions

- Duty-Free Status: Granted only to Diplomatic, UN, NGO, and IO staff after they obtain ministry approval in Cambodia.
- All Other Importers: Must pay import duty (35%-125%) and tax (10%-50%), with the

- final rate depending on type/age/engine size

Remarks

- Motor vehicle must be left-hand driven.
- A Diplomatic ID card is required to clear the shipment.
- Important Note: This ID is issued by MOFA
- and can only be applied for after the shipper has officially started their new position.
- Please allow approximately one month for MOFA to issue it.
- Customs clearance typically takes 2 to 4 weeks to complete. Be advised that demurrage and storage charges will apply during this period

Prohibited Articles

Customs Prescriptions

- Firearms
- Ammunition
- Pornographic material
- Food (at the exception of dry food – see under 'removal goods')
- Medicine
- Toy guns
- Short wave radios

Remarks

- Consult Your Agent: Contact your destination agent for regulations on specific goods not covered here.
- Diplomatic Alcohol: Special rules apply. See the 'Diplomats' section.