

TANZANIA

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Returning Resident

Documents Required

- Packing lists in English.
- Original valid passport.
- TIN (tax identification number).
- Invoice for all new items.
- Expired visa from abroad.
- 2 x original Bill of lading/SWB/Telex release/AWB/Road Consignment Note (RCN).
- Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper.

Customs Prescriptions

- Non-diplomatic goods are subject to 100% inspection / physical verification.
- New items will be taxed.
- All wooden furniture and electronic appliances will be excise duty taxed with no exemption for non-diplomats.
- Liquor, wine, spirit, medicine, cigarettes are not allowed.

Remarks

- For all returning citizens, the destination agent will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp) and expired visa from abroad.
- Copy TIN certificate.
- Copy of Abroad visa.

Expatriate (non-diplomat)

Documents Required

- Packing lists in English.
- Original valid passport.
- TIN (tax identification number).
- Original Work permit.
- Original Residence Permit
- Copy of employment contract.
- Invoice for all new items.
- 2 x original Bill of lading/SWB/Telex release/AWB/Road Consignment Note (RCN).
- Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper.
- Working contract is sometimes asked by customs especially for cross border shipments.

Customs Prescriptions

- Non-diplomatic goods are subject to 100% inspection / physical verification.
- New items will be taxed.

- All wooden furniture and electronic appliances will be excise duty taxed with no exemption for non-Diplomats.
- Liquor, wine, spirit, medicine, cigarettes are not allowed.

Remarks

- The destination agent will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp), original work permit, original resident permit and copy of the personal TIN certificate.

Diplomat

Documents Required

- Packing lists in English.
- Passport copy.
- PRO6 (diplomatic exemption).
- 2 x original Bill of lading/SWB/Telex
- release/AWB/Road Consignment Note (RCN).
- TIN certificate

Customs Prescriptions

- In order to process the exemption for diplomatic shipments by road, a road consignment note and packing list will be required.
- In order to process the exemption shipping documents will be required from origin
- Documents are to be express mailed 30 days before arrival of the shipment, in order for the shipper's employer to apply for the duty exemption.

Remarks

- Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper.
- BL, AWB or RCN will be required for PRO6 applications.

General Information

Customs Prescriptions

- Consumables are not considered as used personal effects for the non-diplomatic is prohibited in Tanzania or must provide import permits from Government Authorities.
- Diplomatic can import consumables but has to have import permits from Government authorities.
- Non-diplomatic shippers will have to pay duties and taxes on all new items (Import duty 25% of CIF + VAT 18% of CIF +Railway Development Levy (RDL) 1.5% and Customs Processing Fees 0.6% of CIF on CIF).
- All imports should arrive in the country after the importer has acquired a work permit, Resident permit and copy tin certificate. Customs allows you three months in which to import your used personal effects after arrival however it can be extended to another 3 months on request.
- Shippers' owned containers will be dutiable.

Prohibited Items

Customs Prescriptions

- Toy guns.
- Guns.
- Oil.
- Petroleum products.

- Foodstuff.
- Alcohol.
- Pornographic materials
- Detergents items