

VENEZUELA

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 – HHG/PE

Documents Required

- Copy of valid passport or extension issued by Venezuelan officer by the moment of the operation – all pages including blank ones.
- Copy of ID (CEDULA DE IDENTIDAD) – valid.
- Copy of the updated Shipper RIF (Fiscal Information Registry).
- Document Descriptive Inventory contents listed.
- Work letter from employer when the client is relocated.
- 2 original and copies OBLs/AWB.
- Shipper's signature and fingerprints on Customs forms.
- For both modalities Air/Ocean: notarization of a power of attorney.
- Except for Diplomatic Shipments: Power of attorney just authorized by customs authorities instead of 'notarization'.
- Institute of Cultural Heritage (IPC) certification for Artwork.

Customs Prescriptions

- Exportation is free of duties and taxes only if the Customs official is satisfied that the contents are used household goods.
- The Customs officer and the National Guard will carefully inspect most shipments.
- For all shipments may apply:
 - Council tax 0.12% CIF value
 - Port Access
 - Social Fee (n/a) just for inbound
 - Elevator
 - Port/airport Handling
 - Containers Disinfection Fee (n/a) just for inbound
 - Other charges depending on the shipping line.

Remarks

- Used Household Goods, including furniture, electrical appliances fall into this category.
- Customs clearance is rigorous and demanding.
- All shipments should be inspected in customs.
- The presence of the owner of the move at the moment of inspection is mandatory.
- Otherwise, there must be a representative duly authorized by Notarized Power of Attorney to represent the owner.

Unaccompanied air shipment

Documents Required

- Same as above.

Customs Prescriptions

- Same as above.

Remarks

- Same as above

Diplomatic shipments

Documents Required

- Copy of the updated Shipper RIF (Fiscal Information Registry).
- Termination of duties letter (Cese de Funciones) sealed by MRE.
- Diplomat accreditation issued by the MFA.
- Packing inventory.
- Signature of consignee on Customs forms.
- Passport.
- 2 original and copies OBL's/AWB.

Customs Prescriptions

- Respective Embassy must supply the termination of Duties Letters sealed by MRE before customs clearance.
- Diplomats may include small amount of
- liquor, food or medicine in their shipments, however for large amounts a note requesting permission is to be submitted at the MFA (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) confirming the amount of these specific items (food, medicine or liquor).
- A representant of Embassy should be present at port/airport at the moment of inspection.

Remarks

- Diplomatic shipper or his/her representative must be at the inspection clearance at the port and/or airport.
- Authorization must be sealed and signed
- containing the authorization letter, the copy of the diplomatic cards (carnets) of the shipper and authorized (this document should be original signed).

Antiques (in Household Goods shipment)

Documents Required

- Same documents as in normal Household Goods shipment.

Remarks

- Documented antiques pay high duties and taxes when shipped separately.

Alcohol (in household goods and luggage shipments)

Documents Required

- Prohibited without Sanitation Permit.

Customs Prescriptions

- Specific rule for Diplomats – see under 'Diplomatic shipments' section.

Remarks

- Confiscation may occur if rule is not complied with.

Food (in Household Goods shipment)

Documents Required

- Prohibited without Sanitation Permit.

Remarks

- Confiscation may occur if rule is not complied with.

Vehicles – For Diplomats

Documents Required

- Copy of Updated Passport including all pages and blank ones.
- Diplomatic accreditation issued by the MFA.
- 2 Original and copies OBL/AWB.
- Original invoice.
- Original Certificate of Title.
- Customs letters.
- RIF of Embassy.
- Certificate of Origin.
- 4 pictures of auto (one per side or per each profile of the car).
- Picture of Serial Motor.
- Battery should be disconnected once loaded into the container/air Van as well as gas tank must be loaded less than ¼ - MANDATORY.
- Termination of duties letter (Cese de
- Funciones) sealed by MRE.

Customs Prescriptions

- A representant of Embassy should be present at port/airport by the moment of inspection

Remarks

- Same as diplomatic shipments.

Used and/or new vehicles/Motorcycles – For Non-Diplomats

Customs Prescriptions

- No allowed for authorities until further notice.

Motorcycles - For Diplomats

Documents Required

- Original purchase invoice.
- Copy of Passport of shipper including all pages as well as blank ones.
- Diplomat accreditation issued by the MFA.
- Shipper's signature on Customs form.
- Shipper's RIF document.
- Certificate of Origin.
- Pictures of motorcycle.
- Picture of motorcycle Serial Motor.
- Battery should be disconnected once loaded into the container/air Van as well as gas tank must be loaded less than ¼ - MANDATORY.
- Termination of duties letter (Cese de Funciones) sealed by MRE.

Customs Prescriptions

- A representant of Embassy should be present at port/airport by the moment of inspection.

Remarks

- Same as diplomatic shipments.

Prohibited items

Customs Prescriptions

- Firearms
- Drugs
- Pornographic material
- Food
- Liquor
- Kerosene, diesel, gas
- Tires
- Plants
- Diapers
- Wood
- Minerals (gold, cold coltan ...)
- Aluminium

Remarks

- For firearms, apply to the Ministry of Defence before shipping. Prohibited in household goods shipments.
- These items may be confiscated if detected.
- PBO are not accepted, all items must show contents.

Fumigation of wood packaging

Customs Prescriptions

- All imports and exports containing wooden crates, lift vans, must have the Seal that certifies the treatment by Bromade Methyl (BM) or Heated Treatment (HT).

General remark

Remarks

- The shipper may provide an authorization by Notarized Power Attorney to his representative for all customs purposes, as long as they meet the related requirements.