



IMPORT CUSTOMS RULES AND REGULATIONS INDIA

Please ship directly to Nhavasheva Port/ Cochin Port/ ICD Delhi for delivery to Mumbai/Cochin and New Delhi respectively for sea shipments.

Please ship directly to Chhatrapati Shivaji Int. (BOM) / Cochin International (COK)/ Indira Gandhi Int. (DEL) for delivery to Mumbai/Cochin and New Delhi respectively for Air shipments.

All information relating to Customs Regulations and documentation requirement are subject to change without prior notification therefore GAC will not be held responsible/liable for delays and costs involved due to these changes.

All normal shipments must be consigned to:

Consignee name as in passport
C/o GAC Shipping (India) Pvt. Ltd.
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31, Manohardas Street,
P.O. Box 226, G. P. O.
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Shipment to be declared
Port of Entry / Discharge
Airport of Entry

: "Used Household Goods and Personal Effects"
: As applicable – please refer note as detailed above
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Required Documentation:

- Original Bill of Lading / Airway Bill. (Express release B/L accepted for non diplomatic shipments)
- A fully detailed packing list / Valued Inventory, Original passport of consignee, Valid Visa
- Authorization letter to be arranged locally, signed by shipper (form submitted by GAC)
- Baggage declaration form (draft will be provided to the client locally)
- Your precise handling and invoicing instructions (showing GAC quote or tariff reference)
- Full address and telephone number of consignee and notify party
- A pre-alert email with brief details of sea/airfreight shipment should be sent at least 4 to 5 working days prior to arrival
- Passport of the person claiming the TR must be at least TWO years old, if not the old passport is required (FOR TR)
- Packing Inventory list for all electronic items must have Make, Models & Serial #s

Automobiles

- Indian citizens or foreign nationals transferring their residence to India are allowed to import one vehicle.
- Vehicle must be right hand drive only.
- Original vehicle title
- Original manufacturing invoice
- Insurance certificate
- Proof that the car has been owned and operated for one year
- Certificate confirming that vehicle meets Euro III pollution standards

Diplomat

- Duly attested copy of passport
- Duty free exemption certificate issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

TR Rules /Imports Regulations / Customs Clearance:

TR Rules

- Minimum stay of two years abroad, immediately preceding the date of his arrival on TR (Transfer of Residence)
- Total stay in India on short visit during the 2 preceding years should not exceed 6 months for Indian passport holders.
- Passenger has not availed this concession in the preceding Three years period.
- Foreign nationals must have obtained a relevant visa- (Resident/Business/Work/Entry/ Person of Indian Origin (PIO) Card)

Baggage Allowance under TR Rules

- Items listed below as Annexure – II only one of each will attract duty @ 15% whether used or new and the total of such items sum not exceed a total sum of RS 5,00,000/- & Items listed in Annexure – III are free of Duty

Annexure – II : Colour TV, Music System, Video Camera, Fax machine, Refrigerator, Word Processor, Air conditioner, Dishwasher, DVD Player, Microwave Oven, Portable Photocopying Machine, Deep Freezer, Home Theatre.

Annexure – III: Computer, VCD / VHF Player, Washing Machine, Laptop Computers, Cooking Range, Desktop Computers & Refrigerator up to 300 liters.

All household items other than items listed in Annexure – II will be allowed Duty free subject to the condition that they have been in possession & usage for not less than one year.

On new household items & consumables other than listed above in the Appendix – II duty of 35% will be applicable.

Used apparels (Rule 3) and books (P.N. 21/2003) are allowed duty free.

Persons other than Indian passport holders must have 1 – Year Visa valid from the date of arrival and must obtain - Registration Book from the foreigners registration office. In absence of 1 year visa from date of arrival a bank guarantee for 250% of the assessed value will have to be given for production of visa.

Persons other than Indian passport holders must have assignment letter stating period of stay in India

Persons working abroad for more than 1 Year but less than two Years and returning back to India on termination of Job or contract can claim Rule 5 to clear items of Appendix – II on payment of 15% duty and personal effects for a total of assessed value by customs of RS 75000/-.

Items exceeding the Rule 5 limit of RS 75000/- duty will be @ 35% of assessed value.

Note: In India, all ports have different rules. For specific information, please contact our local office in India

Sea shipment must be made within 30 days & 15 days for AIR from the date of arrival of the person in India or prior 60 days.

In case the shipment date is after the arrival of the person in India then proof of receipt of the goods by the shipping company or the shipper prior to the date of the arrival of the person is required to prove the possession of the items.

Original bill of lading duly endorsed by the consignee along with the extra non negotiation copy of the bill of lading

Insurance Policy along with the name of the local agents in MUMBAI

Purchase Invoices for all items to prove usage and possession

We will need the client present for customs inspection; however we shall try to waive this as a special case.

Food Items

Foreign nationals can import foodstuff in their main household goods shipment duty free up to a limit of 50,000 rupees.

Indian residents can import foodstuff in their main household goods shipment duty free up to a limit of 100,000 rupees.

Import of beef or products with beef is not allowed.

Prior to shipping food, please check with local agent in India as regulations are changing quite frequently.

Alcohol / Spirits

Import duties on alcohol, wines, spirits, etc. are very high in India

182% on alcohol and spirits

150% on beer and wine

It is not advisable to ship wine and liquor into India.

Prohibited Articles:

- Firearms, weapons, & ammunition of any type
- Drugs and narcotics
- Obscene literature
- Pornographic material
- Firearm cartridges
- Cigarettes/Cigars/Tobacco
- Alcoholic liquor or wines
- Gold or silver, in any form

For further information or rate request please email or fax our office :
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