






## BAHRAIN CUSTOMS INFORMATION – FOR IMPORT

Goods	Documents Required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Used Personal Effects &amp; House Hold Goods</b></p> 	<p><b>From the Origin Agent:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Copy of AWB. (Air Shipment)</li> <li>➤ Original Bill of Lading or copy of Express Release (Sea shipment)</li> <li>➤ Descriptive Inventory / Packing List</li> <li>➤ Certificate of insurance (if applicable).</li> </ul> <p><b>From the consignee at destination:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Copy of consignee CPR (Identity Card)</li> <li>➤ Copy of Consignee Passport [photo page &amp; visa page]</li> <li>➤ Copy of House Lease agreement or Electricity Bill</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ NEW personal effects are subject to duty between (5%-20%) of invoice</li> <li>➤ Detailed invoice shown estimated approx. value is required for NEW personal effects</li> <li>➤ Cigarettes are subject to duty 125% of invoice value</li> <li>➤ At time of inspection, we are not allowed by Port/Air Authorities to enter port/air inspection area.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Prohibited Goods:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All types of Narcotic Drugs ( Heroin, Cocaine, Hashish, Pills having drugs effects etc...)</li> <li>➤ Indian Pan and Derivatives</li> <li>➤ Used and reconditioned Tires</li> <li>➤ Cultured Pearls</li> <li>➤ Advertisement material for all types of Cigarettes</li> <li>➤ Radio/ Remote controlled Model Aircraft</li> <li>➤ Children's Toy Guns capable of firing projectiles</li> <li>➤ Goods of Israeli origin or bearing Israeli trademarks or logos</li> <li>➤ Printed publications, photographs, pictures, books, magazines sculptures and mannequins which contradict Islamic teachings, decency, or immorality.</li> <li>➤ Seditious or Treasonable material</li> <li>➤ Asbestos or Items containing Asbestos</li> </ul>		<div style="border: 2px solid #ccc; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>NOTICE</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Customs inspection is on case to case basis only</b></p> </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>IMPORTANT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Importing NEW Personal effects with actual high value could lead to serious problems with customs, especially if invoice is shown low estimated value. Customs may determine that is Manipulation/ Tax evasion.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Restricted &amp; Controlled Items:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Live Wild animals (For circus only) Horses</li> <li>2) Animals, Birds and their by-products Animal or vegetable fertilizers, Insecticides and fungicides, Meat and meat products Fish and Seafood products, Fruit and Vegetables Plants</li> <li>3) Radioactive chemicals and active Isotopes Food products (processed and unprocessed) Pharmaceuticals Medicines</li> <li>4) Unadulterated Ethyl Alcohol, Iso-propanol Pedestrian Controlled Four Wheel mini car Handcuffs made from Iron/Steel Arms, ammunition, explosives and military weapons</li> <li>5) Magazines and Publications Films and Video Optical and magnetic audio-visual media Items infringing intellectual property</li> <li>6) Telecommunications, Radio and Television receiving and Broadcasting equipment</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) No Objection Certificate from Ministry of Interior And/or Valid Certificate from Veterinary Authority</li> <li>2) No Objection Certificate from Ministry of Municipalities &amp; Agriculture Affairs</li> <li>3) Permission from Ministry of Health</li> <li>4) No Objection Certificate from Ministry of Interior</li> <li>5) No Objection Certificate from Ministry of Information</li> <li>6) No Objection Certificate from TRA</li> </ol>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Ministry of Municipalities &amp; Agriculture Affairs Website: <a href="http://websrv.municipality.gov.bh">http://websrv.municipality.gov.bh</a></li> <li>2) Ministry of Municipalities &amp; Agriculture Affairs Website: <a href="http://websrv.municipality.gov.bh">http://websrv.municipality.gov.bh</a></li> <li>3) Ministry of Health Website: <a href="http://moh.gov.bh">http://moh.gov.bh</a></li> <li>4) Ministry of Interior Website: <a href="http://interior.gov.bh">http://interior.gov.bh</a></li> <li>5) Ministry of Information Website: <a href="http://info.gov.bh">http://info.gov.bh</a></li> <li>6) Telecom Regulatory Authority Website: <a href="http://tra.org.bh">http://tra.org.bh</a></li> </ol>
<p>➤ <b>Motors / Cars</b></p> 	<p>New and used cars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Import Customs Declaration Form (CDF)</li> <li>➤ Traffic Technical Inspection (Clearance Certificate must be included)</li> <li>➤ Obtain Inspection License Plate from</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demurrage charges are accounted for when the vehicle is left within the Customs Points premises.</li> <li>2. Customs duty is collected based on the invoice or on the valuation price determined by Bahrain Customs</li> <li>3. Vehicles may be collected only by the owner or an officially authorized party.</li> </ol>	<p>Any personal belongings are not allowed inside the Car.</p>

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<p>➤ <b>Motors / Cars - Contd...</b></p> 	<p>Traffic Department at the Port which requires the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Export License Plate</li> <li>▪ A copy of the vehicle details prepared by the Customs Port</li> <li>▪ Vehicle insurance certificate</li> <li>▪ Identification Card</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. U.S manufactured vehicles imported directly from the USA are exempted from customs duty.</li> <li>2. Vehicles are exempted from customs duty in the case that a genuine reconciliation is available and is approximately equal to the invoice value or valuation price.</li> <li>3. An authorization certificate is required from the General Directorate of Traffic when importing four-wheel tractors and two-wheel motor cycles.</li> <li>4. 5% customs duty on CIF value</li> </ol>	
<p>➤ <b>Diplomatic Removals</b></p> <div style="background-color: #e67e22; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><b>DIPLOMATIC SHIPMENTS</b></p> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Authorization Letter, CR and CPR</li> <li>➤ Copies of diplomatic ID &amp; passport.</li> <li>➤ Letter to MOFA (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) for Customs Duty &amp; Inspection Exemption</li> <li>➤ Original BL and detailed PL</li> </ul>		<p>➤ Diplomats shall obtain Duty &amp; Inspection Exemption Certificate from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, otherwise, their shipment will be considered as an ordinary cargo thereby, subjected to full physical inspection and duty payment.</p>
<p>➤ <b>Pets/Animals</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Detailed invoice (this must include pet name, breed, age, color , weight , gender and microchip number)</li> <li>➤ Veterinary Health Certificate from Ministry of Municipalities Affairs</li> <li>➤ Export/import permit, health certificate and pet passport.</li> <li>➤ Upto date vaccination report from authorized veterinary doctor</li> <li>➤ Original medical book which is include vaccination record</li> <li>➤ Clear copy of owner passport</li> </ul>		

**NOTE:**

Bahrain customs regulations are modified regularly. The information furnished herewith is only a brief summary of the rules regarding customs clearance in Bahrain and applicable on incoming household goods and personal effects shipments only. This is being provided for general guidance to assist shippers and agents. Since such regulations are subject to change without prior notice, any costs, damages, delays, or any other detrimental facts or events resulting from non-compliance is solely for the account of the shipper and/or origin agent. To get the latest update, please, contact us or check with your local Bahrain Embassy or Consulate Office.