

UGANDA

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Returning Resident	 Packing lists in English. Original valid passport. TIN (tax identification number) Invoice for all new items. Letter from former employer confirming end of contract. 2 x Original Bill of lading (or express release) / AWB. 	 Non diplomatic goods are subject to 100% inspection / verification. Physical interview of the consignee is conducted by customs at either Entebbe Airport or Kampala Customs business centre, Nakawa. Consignee is required to appoint the clearing agent online as authorisation to clear the goods. 	Valued inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper. Note: For all returning citizens, we will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp) and an end of contract letter from employer abroad and a valid TIN.
Expatriate (non-diplomat)	 Packing lists in English. Original valid passport. TIN (tax identification number). Work permit. Copy of employment contract. Invoice for all new items. 2 x Original Bill of lading (or express release) / AWB. 	 Non diplomatic goods are subject to 100% inspection / verification. Physical interview is conducted at either Entebbe Airport or Kampala Customs business centre, Nakawa Consignee is required to appoint the clearing agent online as authorisation to clear the goods 	Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper. Note: We will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp), an introduction letter from the employer and a letter from the shipper requesting for permission to use employer's TIN.
Diplomat	 Packing lists in English. Passport copy. Exemption letter-MFA. 2 x Original Bill of lading (OR express release) / AWB. 	 In order to process the exemption for diplomatic shipments by road, a road consignment note and packing list will be required. The shipper must be present at arrival of the shipment and must be in possession of his work permit in case of non-diplomats. 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. Diplomats can import alcohol free of duties. We recommend consulting your local embassy on the allowed quantities prior to 	Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper. Note: For all 1st arrivals by air, we will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp) and an introduction letter from the employer and a letter from the shipper requesting for permission to use employer's TIN.

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Customs Regulations and general information		 Consumables are not considered as used personal effects and are subjected to duties & taxes. Non diplomatic shippers will have to pay duties and taxes on all new items (Import duty 25% CIF + VAT 18% of CIF and import duty - 6% withholding tax on CIF) and alcohol (wine 70% - spirits 60% - beer 30% on top of CIF + Import duties + VAT). All imports should arrive in the country after the importer has acquired a work permit from the immigration. Customs allows you three months in which to import your used personal effects duty free and there after duties will be paid in full. If a container is not on a Through Bill of Lading (TBL), we will need two original Bills of lading 15 days prior to arrival of the Vessel in Mombasa. Otherwise port storage charges will accrue and will be charged to shipper. 	 Sea and road freight Shipments are cleared under the Single customs Territory (STC) in Mombasa port and clearance and transit to Kampala can take up to 3 week. Customs clearance in Kampala can now take 5-6 days for diplomatic shipments and 7-14 days for non-diplomatic shipments. Clients must appoint agents online to for clearance in Mombasa port, at the border and when shipment arrives in Kampala. Same applied to airfreight shipments. Clients who don't have diplomatic status must go to customs for an interview. This is applicable to all modes of transport. We can you company TIN to clear diplomatic and expats air freight shipments.
Prohibited Articles		Toy guns, Guns, Oil, Petroleum products are prohibited and subject to: (110 +25+6) % duties and taxes.	
Motor Vehicles , Motor cycle, Motor boats etc	 Original log book or Registration certificate or cancellation. De-registration certificate for used cars/boats/motor cycles. 	 Vehicles older than 8 years are prohibited from entering Uganda Containers STC motor-vehicles are opened and verified in Mombasa port to confirm the 	Returning Ugandans and non-diplomat are allowed only one Car and must be owned more than 12 months to qualify for exemption from duties / taxes.

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Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
	Original invoice for new cars/ boats / Motor cycles.	year of manufacture for the vehicle.	
	2 Original B/L.Shippers' Uganda Tax Identification		
	Number. Interpol report confirming ownership.		
	Road worthiness certificate.		

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