

Goods	Documents Required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
<p><b>Removal goods</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original inventory + copy.</li> <li>▪ Originals OBL / Express BL</li> <li>▪ Insurance Policy(Left to the discretion of the client)</li> <li>▪ Passport copy with valid UAE residence visa stamped in it.</li> <li>▪ A copy of the Emirates ID or its Application form</li> <li>▪ Letter of authority from the client</li> </ul>	<p>Importation is allowed provided the shipment consists of personal effects and used household goods.</p> <p>All used personal effects and household goods are exempted of duty. Brand new items will attract custom duty and if the invoice is not provided for the same items, custom inspectors will assess a value for the same and on the assessed value 5% will be levied as customs duty.</p> <p>For duty purposes the inventory should not state value of items. Purchase invoice too is required</p>	<p>All customers have to be present in the U.A.E. at the time of customs clearance of their shipment.</p> <p>All shipments must arrive preferably within a month upon customer's arrival in U.A.E. and shippers must produce their respective passport copy with valid UAE residence stamped on the passport.</p> <p>Shipments of Personal effects do not attract customs duty. New personal effects will be subject to customs duty (currently 5% of the value assessed by customs) which will be at the discretion of the customs authorities.</p> <p>Mostly all shipments will go through a 100% physical inspection and therefore it is necessary to pack all books, CD's, video's, DVD, magazines in separate cartons and marked clearly so that they can be easily identified by customs and released if in Order and quickly.</p> <p>Do not physically lock any suitcases / briefcases as this is to avoid damages during customs inspection. Tape Key or key code to item if required or leave it in an unlocked state.</p>
<p><b>Diplomats' removals</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A copy of the Diplomat's passport</li> <li>▪ A copy of the Diplomatic Identify card</li> <li>▪ Original customs inspection exemption letter from the UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs obtained by the Embassy</li> <li>▪ A letter from the Embassy and the Diplomat authorizing GAC to customs clear the shipment</li> <li>▪ B/L should mention that it is a Diplomatic Cargo</li> <li>▪ B/L should be consigned in the name of the Embassy.</li> </ul>	<p>Free of national &amp; local duties</p>	<p>Marine police and customs authorities may inspect cargo</p>
<p><b>Commodity shipments</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Legalised CIF invoice.</li> <li>▪ Certificate of Origin.</li> <li>▪ Copy consignee's trade license.</li> <li>▪ Inventory.</li> <li>▪ 2 original OBL and 1 copy.</li> <li>▪ Insurance Policy.</li> </ul>	<p>Subject to 5% duties on the CIF value.</p>	<p>Custom inspection ( for Dubai )</p>

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<b>Motor vehicles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Original OBL /Express BL</li> <li>Insurance policy (left to the discretion of the consignee).</li> <li>Proof of ownership.</li> <li>Valid UAE License for registration purpose.</li> <li>Copy of valid UAE residence visa stamped on the passport</li> <li>Letter of authority from the client</li> </ul>	<p>Importation is allowed provided the vehicle meets UAE specifications. Vehicle more than 5 years old once landed will not be released or registered.</p> <p>Vehicles new or used are subject to 5% duties on CIF / FOB Discretion at Gov't. Authorities.</p> <p>B/L should specify engine n°, chassis n°, make, year model and colour etc.</p>	<p>After the vehicle is Customs cleared in the UAE, the Customs Authorities will issue a vehicle clearance certificate which should be submitted to the Local Traffic Authority to register the car in the name of the Owner / Consignee only.</p> <p>Prior to exportation, the registration of the car should be de-registered near the local traffic authority.</p>
<b>Pets</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Original Health certificate.</li> <li>Original Vaccination card.</li> <li>Original Certificate for Rabies Serum Neutralization. (The certificate is not required from the mentioned countries – Australia, Austria, Andorra, Ascension Island, Antigua &amp; Barbuda, Aruba, Barbados, Bahrain, Bermuda, Canada, Cayman Islands, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Fiji, French Polynesia, Falkland Islands, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jamaica, KSA, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Malta, Montserrat, Mauritius, Mayotte, Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Qatar, Saint Vincent &amp; the grenadines, Saint Kitts &amp; Nevis, San Marino, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, U.S.A, Vatican City, Vanuatu, Wallis &amp; Futuna).</li> <li>AWB.</li> </ul>	<p>If part of a removal, duty free entry.</p> <p>A valid passport for pet with name, breed, colour, date of birth, age, sex. Microchip or tattoo for identification. It is not allowed to import dogs or cats under 4 months of age into UAE.</p>	<p>The health certificate, certificate for Rabies Serum Neutralization, vaccination card is to be obtained at the originating station. This certificate should be sent to the destination agent at least two to three weeks prior to the actual sending of the pet to the UAE. The destination agent should take the same certificate to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in UAE who will issue an Import License for the same pet and that will be sent to the origin agent to be handed over to the owner of the pet. The import permit is valid only for one month. This original Import License along with a copy of the Health Certificate should be attached to the AWB accompanying the pet.</p> <p>Prior to the export of a pet, a Health Certificate should be obtained from a qualified and registered Veterinary Doctor in UAE, which needs to be presented to the airlines.</p> <p>Each person allowed to import only 2 pets.</p>

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<b>Prohibited items</b>		Weapons, firearms (real or ornamental), ammunition, fire crackers, swords, daggers, spears, etc., military uniform or equipment, alcohol, spirits, narcotics of all kinds even poppy seeds and flowers, leaves etc., banned drugs and medicines, medicines in large quantities even obtained under prescription and for the consignee's own use, radio transmitter or communication equipment, statues and figures of animals with religious undertone, carvings and statues of humans especially in nude, pornographic materials, foodstuff in large quantities, religious books other than dealing with Islamic beliefs, controversial political literature and materials contrary to an Islamic State's principles. No foodstuff at all for shipments arriving dubai	If any of these items is found in the shipment during the inspection by the UAE Customs, the same will be confiscated and in some cases, explanation will be asked from the consignees and severe punishment will be imposed including fine imprisonment. Confiscated items are not returned back to the client And there is a penalty for these items as per the legal department of the customs
<b>Restricted items</b>		Records, tapes, films, photographs, books, magazines, periodicals, etc.  Live plants, seeds, fresh fruits and flowers are coming under restricted items, if found objectionable, they will destroy the same and never return these to the consignee.	These items will be subject to review and censorship by the UAE Ministry of Information.  These items will be released if nothing abnormal is found. This procedure will take from 10 to 15 days.
<b>Dangerous items</b>		Combustible liquids, corrosives, explosives, flammable, compressed gases.	Please contact your agent should you have any questions concerning these dangerous items. If any of these items were shipped, this would put you and your company liable for damages and compensation under international lax, which is also applicable in UAE.

Note : This document is subject to change as per Customs Rules & Regulations and it is recommended to verify this information with respective GAC Office Operations Department prior to shipping.

**The above customs rules and regulations pertain to UAE in general.  
Any Abu Dhabi document mentioning the Term "Consulate" should be changed to "Embassy".**