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Effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 - Taiwan Customs authorities have advised the following changes to the customs clearance regulations:

1. Shippers (especially Taiwan Nationals) must not use the "express" channel when first arriving and going through airport immigration. They need to get their passport stamped with an entry stamp. If they fail to get this entry stamp they must specifically apply for an "entry certificate" from the Entry and Exit Bureau. This stamp is needed for customs clearance.

#### Removal goods

- Copy passport of the shipper (photo/signature page).
- Original of Ocean Bill of Lading/Airway Bill (Express bill of lading is acceptable)
- Complete copy of Inventory (packing list).
- Consignee block on OBL/AWB must show shipper's name (same as passport) and c/o destination agent.
- Copy of immigration stamp with entry record into Taiwan within six months prior to the shipment arrival.
- Original Signed Entrusting (Customs Authorisation) Letter (blank form typically provided by Destination Agent)
- Arrival Flight Information

Please note: a residence or work permit is not needed.

#### Please note:

Each shipment is generally allowed a reasonable/noncommercial amount of used household goods and appliances.

Anything more than is deemed a reasonable amount by customs authorities would be subject to import duty and tax.

All brand new items still in original packaging will be subject to duties and taxes.

Household goods must be imported within six months of shipper's arrival.

Shipper must be in Taiwan prior to his shipment arrival.

Some used household goods msuch as electronics av be subject to duties (up to 10% of value), but not common.

Please make sure the destination agent has a copy of the shipper's passport and all shipment details prior to shipments arrival in Taiwan

The following articles are prohibited from entry:

- Counterfeit coins, security notes. banknotes, plates or dyes for printing or casting forged currencies.
- Gambling equipment, lottery tickets and other similar prize tickets issued in foreign countries.
- Obscene and indecent books, publications, pictures, articles, and videos.
- Weapons, arms and ammunition, cartridges, explosives, poisonous gas



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			<ul> <li>and other weapons of war.</li> <li>Illegal Narcotics</li> <li>Toy guns, ornamental swords and knives.</li> <li>Articles infringing the rights of patents, of designs and trademarks, and the copyrights of other persons.</li> <li>Contraband articles as specified by other Laws. e.g. Fruits, vegetables and other foodstuffs coming from places prevailing with injurious pests and plant disease, and/or any animals and pets from an infected area.</li> <li>For furs, skins, ivory etc., from endangered species, shipper must get CITES approval before importation. If not these goods will be confiscated and the shipper will face prosecution.</li> </ul>
Antiques			Duty free if imported with personal effects.
Cars, motorcycles	<ul> <li>Passport copy</li> <li>If holding a Taiwanese passport, ROC ID</li> <li>If foreigner, will need ARC</li> <li>Original paperwork of vehicle.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Estimate tax and duty 71% – 83% of the value by customs</li> <li>Under 2,000 cc – 26.1 % duty, 25% commodity tax</li> <li>Over 2,001 cc – 26.1% duty, 35% commodity tax.</li> <li>Additional 5% VAT and 0.3% Harbour tax</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>After customs clearance, shipper must apply for testing at ARTC before being allowed to drive in Taiwan. For further details, please check the Automotive Research &amp; Testing Center <a href="http://www.artc.org.tw">http://www.artc.org.tw</a></li> <li>To avoid high demurrage charges, do not ship cars until import permit is obtained from Board of Foreign Trade if the car's value is over USD 20,000.00.</li> <li>If the car value is under the above</li> </ul>



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Dogs, Cats (from rabies area).	<ul> <li>Import permit.</li> <li>Photocopy of shipper's passport + photo page + signature page</li> <li>Origin certificates of Health and Rabies vaccination (with killed virus) from government or state sponsored agency. Date of the health certificate must be within 10 days before departure.</li> <li>Date of vaccination must be within more than one month and less than one year of departure.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Need quarantine at least 21 days (Area of Rabies)</li> <li>No quarantine for dogs &amp; cats (from area free of rabies) Japan, UK, Sweden, Australia, NZ, Iceland.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Please notify destination agent before you send the animal to Taiwan.</li> <li>Animals should not be shipped to Taiwan before the destination agent obtains import permit.</li> <li>Dogs and cats cannot be imported from China or Bangladesh. Avoid transfer pet shipment in these areas.</li> <li>All dogs and cats shipped into Taiwan must have Microchip implant. If not, they will have to be implanted upon arrival in Taiwan.</li> </ul>
Birds	Certificate of No Fowl Pest, No Newcastle disease, No Psitta Casis, approved by the Department of Agriculture of Local Government.	Quarantine of no more than 7 days in Taiwan.	Do NOT send any birds before receiving approval from your agent.
Wooden Packaging Materials		"Wooden packaging materials" (WPM) including	Starting January 2009, all incoming



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	pallets, dunnage, crating, packing blocks, drums, cases, load boards, pallet collars and skids which are used to load, to pack, mat, support or fix any good will need to be treated.  WPM shall be treated under the supervision of the plant quarantine authority of the exporting country according to ISPM 15 (International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15).  • Methyl bromide (MB) fumigation • Heat treatment (HT): WPM should be heated in accordance with a specific time-temperature schedule that achieves a minimum wood core temperature of 56 for a minimum of 30 minutes.  WPM has been treated by the approved measures should be marked according to ISPM 15. The specified mark is shown below:   XX - 000  YY  The mark should at minimum include the:  o IPPC symbol, XX (ISO two letter country	shipments to Taiwan with wood packaging should be fumigated or with ISPM standard seal.
	code), 000 (a unique number assigned by the NPPO to the producer of the WPM who is responsible for ensuring appropriate wood is used and properly marked) and YY (the approved measure used: MB - methyl bromide fumigation; or HT- heat treatment)  WPM which does not carry the required mark would be returned or treated by MB fumigation or heat treatment mentioned above. The plant quarantine authority	



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		in the following situations:		
		The WPM is too large or for some reas treated under the treatment facility in e.		
		<ul> <li>The WPM and the goods could not be</li> </ul>	separated	
		and importer does not agree to joint tre	atment.	