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Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Update 23 July 2010	Paraguayan Customs is currently implementing new regulations for import of personal effects.		
	The Customs Office requested that packing lists have to be issued in detail and with a value for each item (Example: Quantity, Item Description, Unit value), and descriptions may not be used as miscellaneous, etc.		
	This applies only for <u>NO diplomats shipments</u> .		
Removal goods Non Citizens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original ID card Certificate of Customs 2 copies of the packing list. 2 copies of the OBL or AWB showing the real weight of the cargo and the tare weight of the container. <p><i>The Paraguayan Customs Offices does NOT accept "Express Release OBL".</i></p> <p>The Packing list, the B/L or AWB, and the Car commercial invoice must have the VISA of the Paraguayan Consulate at origin.</p>	<p>Temporary Residence (Valid for one year) Foreigners with this type of residence, have the right to import their used household goods without paying taxes, but must pay import duties.</p> <p>Permanent Residence (valid for five years) Within the first six months of this type of residence; foreigners have the right to import their household goods without paying taxes.</p> <p>Important:</p> <p>Transshipments through the Port of Buenos Aires will be managed via the Paraguayan Franco Port.</p> <p>A US\$ 73.00 charge will apply to all OBL's</p>	<p>The procedure to obtain the radiation permit takes about 3 months and may be obtained if all the documents requested by the immigration office are completed.</p> <p>Removal goods consist of used household effects, which have been in the owner's use and possession abroad for at least one year, and will be for the continued use of the owner at his new residence.</p> <p>If your agent has to translate the inventory/packing list into Spanish, or make corrections to the B/L or AWB, extra costs may be invoiced to the origin agent without notice.</p> <p>According to the Central Customs Office and following the Circular #29, all documents require the "CONSULAR VISA".</p>
Diplomat's removals.	Same as above.	Duty free entry.	In order to start the procedure to obtain the diplomatic franchise, the owner must be first accredited by the Paraguayan Government and must be in Paraguay min. 2 weeks before the arrival of his shipment.
Returning Citizens	Same as above Returning Paraguayans (minimum two years outside the country) need to have the following documents in order to benefit from tax exemption:	The Paraguayans returning, have the right to import their goods without paying taxes, therefore, they must go to the repatriation office (with the required documents)	Time of the Dispatch Three days from the entrance of the shipment to the customs systems, as long as all the information required by the customs is ready.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paraguayan documents. Country of origin document List of the goods and bill of lading with VISA by the Paraguayan Consulate at origin. Letter/Certificate of residence issued by the Paraguayan Consulate at origin. Repatriation identification. 		
Wedding trousseaux	Same as above.	Subject to payment of duties.	
Inheritances	Legalised inheritance certificate.	Same as above.	
New furniture and HHG		Same as above.	
Works of Art & Antiques.	No document required if part of the household effects.		
Household appliances	Same as works of Art.		
Electrical appliances	Same as above.		
Presents and Souvenirs	No document required if part of the household effects.		
Machines, appliances, spare parts	Same as above.		
Carpets	Same as above.		
Motor vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OBL or AWB. Pre-shipment inspection certificate. SGS or VERITAS verification certificate for all vehicles over US\$ 3,000 of value at origin, (except Diplomatic cars). Original of the commercial invoice of the vehicle. Title or certificate of the vehicle. 	<p>Duty free entry for diplomats only. Immigrants and returning Paraguayan citizens have to pay duties and taxes.</p> <p>The import taxes are about 35 -37% on the value imposed by the Customs authorities.</p> <p>Vehicles older than 10 years cannot enter into Paraguay (except for diplomatic shipments).</p>	<p>Vehicles imported by immigrants and repatriates with no diplomatic franchise are required to be inspected at origin prior to shipping by one of two authorised international companies, S.G.S. and Bureau VERITAS (BIVAC).</p> <p>These are regulations from the Paraguayan Customs Authorities. Please DO NOT ship vehicles unless they have been inspected at origin. Otherwise heavy penalties and possible re-exportation of the shipment to origin will be levied by Customs to the consignee.</p> <p>PSI (Pre-Shipment Inspection) does not involve additional expenses for the shipper, as he/she does not have to pay the surveying companies. The Paraguayan Government pays these costs</p>

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			<p>at first. However, this procedure DOES involve additional paperwork for the shipper or agent. The consignee, who chooses which of the two companies he/she prefers to use, initiates the PSI at destination. The paperwork needed to start the process is :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial invoice. • Title of the car. • Copy of the Client's passport. • Place and telephone number where inspection will be done. • Country where car was manufactured • Complete car details.
Other vehicles (bicycles, ...)	Same as motor vehicles		
Plants		Importation with removal prohibited.	
Cats and dogs	Health and vaccination certificates		
Other animals	Same as above.		
Alcohol		Import of Alcohol is PROHIBITED	
Tins and food		Food requires health inspection, which may prolong customs clearance process.	
Arms, ammunitions, dangerous objects.	Authorisation issued by the Police authorities	Military equipment is prohibited.	
Fumigation of imported and exported wooden crates	<p>Paraguayan Government adopted ISPM-15 (International standards for Phytosanitary Measures Publication 15) Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade (aka NIFM-15) to standardise the treatment of wood packing materials used for the transport of goods.</p> <p>Details of the requirements will be provided as soon as possible.</p>		