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IMPORTANT:

Customs authorities have started to apply very strict control to all incoming shipments in relation to their precise weights. It is essential that the declared weight on the bill of lading (OBL) coincides precisely with the actual weight that is shown on the weight ticket issued by Customs scale. If this requirement is not fulfilled, important demurrage and extra costs will arise.

Shippers will be allowed to import either surface or airfreight shipments of HHGDS and PE, implied for domestic use only Shipments must arrive in URUGUAY within 180 days from Shipper's arrival in the country.

Duty free entry whether goods are used or new.

Household goods and removals effects –

Uruguayan citizen retuning and/or Foreign citizen with legal residence visa

- Packing list in Spanish authenticated by Uruguayan Consulate at origin.
- Original B/L or AWB or CRT.
- Certificate of residence issued by Uruguayan Consulate at origin, stating that shipper has lived at least 1 year abroad.

Once the customer arrives to Uruguay, he should contact his shipper who will ask for the following documents:

- Certificate of entrance to Uruguay issued by the *Dirección Nacional de Migraciones (address: Misiones 1513,* Montevideo) (*)
- Photocopy of Identity Card or Passport (readable).
- Sign a letter for Customs (asking authorization for incoming household goods).

Uruguayan citizens returning home must submit before customs' authorities' proof of permanent residence abroad for a minimum period of one year. (*) Customs procedure must be started within 60 days of the date stated in this certificate.

Normal customs clearance upon receipt all documents, take approx. 7 working days.

Important note: Any Uruguayan with more than two years of residence in a foreigner country, which decides to come back in definitive form to Uruguay, will be able to introduce free of any exchange step and exempt from all kinds of customs duties, taxes or connected charges, included the prices linked to the importation: working tools, machines, or all kind of different instruments related to the art or profession. See requirements in the section "Clearance of Uruguayan Citizen Cars".



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Household goods and removals effects – Foreign citizen without legal residence	All Foreign Citizens without legal residence that wishes to enter its personal effects, MUST have initiated the proceeding of legal residence in Uruguay. Packing list in Spanish. Original B/L or AWB or CRT. Once the customer arrives to Uruguay, he should contact his shipper who will ask for the following documents: First of all, customer must initiate the proceedings of its legal residence. Certificate of entrance to Uruguay issued by the Dirección Nacional de Migraciones (address: Misiones 1513, Montevideo) (*) Photocopy of Identity Card or Passport (readable). Sign a letter for Customs (asking authorization for incoming household goods). Foreigners must have permanent residence in Uruguay in order to qualify for clearance. If their residence is being carried out, but not ready at time of applying for clearance, they must submit a guarantee before customs. (**)		(*) Customs procedure must be started within 60 days of the date stated in this certificate. (**) That is, deposit a total amount in guarantee till definitively residence is obtained. How much? Out of the total capital (detailed in the insurance policy of transit or valued list), a 50% must be deposited in a Bank. In addition, the premium that pays itself to the Bank is a 4% on the total capital plus USD 20 (Insurance Agent commission). Guarantee amount will be reimbursed to shipper, once obtained legal residence. Normal customs clearance upon receipt all documents, take approx. 7 working days. Guarantee proceedings 5 more working days.



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Household goods and removals effects – Foreign Diplomats	 Packing list in Spanish. Original B/L or AWB or CRT. The Embassy, Consulate or Delegation, will procedure against our Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the authorization for incoming household goods. 	Duty free entry.	Normal customs clearance upon receipt all documents, take approx. 12 working days. Diplomat must be accredited before Uruguayan Government (Ministry for Foreign Affairs) through their Embassies/mission in Uruguay Must request for franchise submitting copy of the packing list and B/L or AWB
Household goods and removals effects – Uruguayan Diplomats returning	 Packing list in Spanish authenticated by Uruguayan Consulate at origin. Original B/L or AWB or CRT. The Embassy, Consulate or Delegation, will procedure against our Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the authorization for incoming household goods. Once the customer arrives to Uruguay, must initiate procedures in our Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Personnel Division) asking for the note to be presented against Uruguayan Customs and then initiate procedures against our Finance Ministry. 		Normal customs clearance upon receipt all documents, take approx. 12 working days.
Motor vehicles – Foreign citizens			ARE NOT ALLOWED TO IMPORT CARS



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Motor vehicles - Uruguayan	In order of being included in the present	Any Uruguayan with more than two years of	Economy and Finance Ministry will be
citizens	regulation, the interested part will have to	residence in a foreigner country, which	competent to authorize the exoneration of
	initiate the step in the Diplomatic Mission	decides to come back in definitive form to	the totality of the customs duties, taxes or
	(Consular Service of the respective native	Uruguay, will be able to introduce free of any	convex charges - included the prices linked
	land), or - at least in the Ministry of Foreign	step exchange and exempt from all kinds of	to the import - according to all or part of the
	Affairs - must accompany the following	customs duties, taxes or connected charges,	goods detailed and checked by the consular
	information:	included the prices linked to the importation:	respective services.
	a) Complete information of the interested	Only once, a car of her/his property.	
	with documents that credit the profession,		The vehicle can not be sold nor transferred
	art or trade by a degree or an institutional		by a period of four years since the revenue to
	note, and complete information of the		Uruguay, and must be registered directly by
	members of familiar nucleus with whom		the interested part in the Departmental
	she/he plans to come back to the country.		Government of the denounced domicile, into
	b) Witness of labour activity of the		the 30 days period of the customs clearance.
	interested part and other members of the		People under this program will have to
	familiar nucleus with whom she/he plans to		present themselves in annual form with
	come back to the country.		witness of entry and exit from the country
	c) Domicile to constituting in the country,		emitted by the National Direction of
	which will not be able to be modified for the		Migration and for the four following years
	period of 4 years since the entry to Uruguay		from the date of beginning the step in the
	without previous communication to the		Ministry of Foreign Affairs in order to credit
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs.		her/his residence in the country.
	d) Public or private document to credit that		
	the holder of the step is owner of a vehicle		Costs of movements, insurance and storage
	acquired and affected the use in the country		are not included in the foreseen
	of residence, with a minimum of one year of		exonerations in the present program, being
	antiquity up to the moment of the return to		in all cases at expenses of the interested
	the country.		part.
	e) Personal sworn statement where it		Any material or formal breach of the present
	consists to the decision of coming back to		regulation will generate the loss of the
	the country and to establish herself/himself		totality of the tributary benefits.
	definitively in it.		
	f) Documentation that credit the fact of		



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	having had permanent and uninterrupted residence in a foreign country for more than two years period, legalized by the consular respective service. g) Declaration of seeking protection expressly to the law #18.250, and Decree #330/2008.		
Motor vehicles – Foreign Diplomats	 Original commercial invoice under shipper's name. Written evidence of freight & insurance issued by I.M.B. S.A. Original B/L or AWB or CRT. Photocopy of passport and Diplomatic Identity Card issued by Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Embassy, Consulate or Delegation, will procedure against our Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the authorization for the incoming motor-vehicle. Ownership's property document of motor-vehicle or circulation document, addressed to shipper's name. 		Normal customs clearance upon receipt all documents, take approx. 20-25 working days.
Motor vehicles – Uruguayan Diplomats returning	If applicable, following documents are needed: Original commercial invoice under shipper's name authenticated by Uruguayan Consulate at origin. Certificate or written evidence of car's registration at origin, dated 6 months before shipper's arrival and authenticated by the Uruguayan Consulate at origin. Original B/L or AWB.	They can only bring used or new vehicles, for which they need authorization by the Ministry of Economy and Finance. In case of new vehicles, they can be only those that the Uruguayan automotive industry assembles. They have tops of vehicles values, according to the position that Uruguayan Diplomat has. It applies the following condition: the vehicle had to be acquired with date previous to 19	Protected to the exoneration established by Decree 589/86, they are exonerated of following tributes payments: Global Rate Tariff, Consular Rates, Automated Services Rates and Extraordinary Services Rates. Regarding VAT and IMESI, according to article 102 of Decree 220/998 of the 12/08/1998.



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	 Treasury Ministry authorization for incoming the car. Photocopy of Identity Card (readable). 	of August of 2005 (date of law # 17.887).	
		By "acquired" it is understood: Request confirmed by the automotive company, purchase, total payment of the vehicle or beginning of register proceedings in Montevideo.	
Other vehicles (bicycles, water vehicle)		Bicycles can be imported duty free if part of household goods removal. Quantity cannot exceed the number of family members. All other vehicles are subject to payment of duties, if allowed to be imported.	
Wedding trousseaux	Wedding gifts require packing list and a visaed marriage certificate.	Duty free entry provided they are part of the household removal.	
Inheritance	Inherited goods require packing list, visaed proof of estate of inheritance, and visaed Death Certificate.	All items in the shipments will be subject to import duties	
New furniture and household goods		Duty free entry if imported as part of a household goods removal.	Customs authorities will hold these items until payment of duties is done.
		New household goods subject to duties and value added tax.	
Works of art, antiques		Duty free entry if these articles are part of a bona fide household removal. In case quantities are considered exaggerated by customs officer to the status or family group of applicant, these items may be subject to payment of duties.	
Precious metal objects (jewellery, coins)		Can be imported if part of household removal and quantities are reasonable.	
Household appliances		Duty free entry if these articles are part of household removal.	



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Electrical appliances		Same as for Household appliances. Only 1 article per kind can be brought in household removal except TV sets, videos and PC, which can exceed such quantity according to the number of family members.	
Carpets		Can be imported if part of household removals.	
Presents, souvenirs		Can be imported if part of household removal and quantities are reasonable.	
Wine, Alcohol		Subject to payment of duties.	
Machines, appliances, spare parts			Only Uruguayan professionals are allowed to bring in machines together with their removal goods, provided they have been abroad for at least 1 years and they can prove their professional condition. Machines <i>must</i> be for the specific use of the owner's profession and must be proved through the Consular certificate of residence
Tins and food			Can be imported if part of household removal and quantities are reasonable, but suggest to check on quantity and type of food.
Prohibited Items	Only sport guns are allowed to be imported requiring a certificate from Ministry of Defence.	 Firearms (unless considered sport guns), ammunitions, Medicines, narcotics and drugs, live plants, pornographic material, subversive material, used vehicles of all types including motorcycles, any other items that should not be considered part of a household goods removals (like new electrical appliances, industrial tools, machinery etc.) 	



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Firearms (sport guns)	All firearms must be declared in packing list, including all specifications of each weapon, also must be enclosed all property documents. Foreign citizen should get legal residence	At the moment of loading container, weapons must be placed in the door of container, to facilitate the access of customs officer. Customs officer will pick up all weapons at	Weapons incoming to Uruguay are kept under custody by the "Servicio de Material y Armamento del Ejercito" (Armed Forces), located at Instrucciones street (phone number 354 0326).
	and identity card, to get weapons permission.	the moment of arriving shipment and take them (with safekeeping) to the Service of Material & Armament, where they will be kept until shipper regularizes all documents in Uruguay and obtained weapons' permission. Once obtained the permission the arms could be retired. Such procedure must be personally managed by the holder.	
Cats and Dogs	 Certificate of health issued by competent authorities at origin. 2 photography's of the pet. Certificate of antihydrofolic inoculation at least 30 days old but less than one year old. The certificate itself must be less than 10 working days old when the animal arrives to the country. 	managed by the notion.	Health and vaccination certificate legalised by Uruguayan Consulate.
Other animals	Same as above. More information on the animals need to be supplied since some species are prohibited		



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Fumigation of imported and exported wooden crates	Paraguay 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.	Basically, all wood containers (Liftvans) that come into Uruguay must be FUMIGATED against plagues, and with the control made properly identified. Basically, the more relevant points are the following ones: 1) The norm will be applicable from 07/1/05; we were told that the Ministry would apply a month of courtesy, whenever the packing does not contain any plague. 2) The requirement is fulfilled by means of a seal in the wood. If the load comes from a non signatory country of the convention a sanitary certificate in paper must be done. 3) The Treatment to the packing will be by the following procedures: a) by heat treatment at 56° in the center of the wood during 30 minutes; or, b) with methyl Bromide. (BR). 4) Does not apply to: Particle Plywood, boards, pieces smaller than 6mm thickness 5) The woods carried by the trucks (propping, tops, etc.) also must be treated. (It is suggested to inform to your Carriers). 6) Seals must be in 2 sides of the pallet of such form that always are visible. 7) Containers of Imports "House to House" are going to be verified in the deposit of the client. 8) The MGAP, in cases of reiteration of situations of not fulfilling the norm, could reject the entire shipment, not only the packing. 9) Signatory countries are: Argentine, Chile, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. 10) Exporting companies that deal their packages with BR. are 21 to make the boarding - first -; the reason is protection castrates ozone, reason why it is given