



Customs Guide **TANZANIA**

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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Returning Resident	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Packing lists in English. ▪ Original valid passport. ▪ TIN (tax identification number). ▪ Invoice for all new items. ▪ Expired visa from abroad. ▪ 2 x original Bill of lading/SWB/Telex release/AWB/Road Consignment Note (RCN). ▪ Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Non-diplomatic goods are subject to 100% inspection / physical verification. ▪ New items will be taxed. ▪ All wooden furniture and electronic appliances will be excise duty taxed with no exemption for non-diplomats. ▪ Liquor, wine, spirit, medicine, cigarettes are not allowed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For all returning citizens, the destination agent will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp) and expired visa from abroad. ▪ Copy TIN certificate. ▪ Copy of Abroad visa.
Expatriate (non-diplomat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Packing lists in English. ▪ Original valid passport. ▪ TIN (tax identification number). ▪ Original Work permit. ▪ Original Residence Permit ▪ Copy of employment contract. ▪ Invoice for all new items. ▪ 2 x original Bill of lading/SWB/Telex release/AWB/Road Consignment Note (RCN). ▪ Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper. ▪ Working contract is sometimes asked by customs especially for cross border shipments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Non-diplomatic goods are subject to 100% inspection / physical verification. ▪ New items will be taxed. ▪ All wooden furniture and electronic appliances will be excise duty taxed with no exemption for non-Diplomats. ▪ Liquor, wine, spirit, medicine, cigarettes are not allowed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The destination agent will need shippers' original passport (with entry stamp), original work permit, original resident permit and copy of the personal TIN certificate.
Diplomat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Packing lists in English. ▪ Passport copy. ▪ PRO6 (diplomatic exemption). ▪ 2 x original Bill of lading/SWB/Telex 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In order to process the exemption for diplomatic shipments by road, a road consignment note and packing list will be required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inventory in English dated and signed by the shipper. ▪ BL, AWB or RCN will be required for PRO6 applications.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> release/AWB/Road Consignment Note (RCN). ▪ TIN certificate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In order to process the exemption shipping documents will be required from origin ▪ 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. 	
General Information		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consumables are not considered as used personal effects for the non-diplomatic is prohibited in Tanzania or must provide import permits from Government Authorities. ▪ Diplomatic can import consumables but has to have import permits from Government authorities. ▪ Non-diplomatic shippers will have to pay duties and taxes on all new items (Import duty 25% of CIF + VAT 18% of CIF +Railway Development Levy (RDL) 1.5% and Customs Processing Fees 0.6% of CIF on CIF). ▪ All imports should arrive in the country after the importer has acquired a work permit, Resident permit and copy tin certificate. Customs allows you three months in which to import your used personal effects after arrival however it can be extended to another 3 months on request. ▪ Shippers' owned containers will be dutiable. 	
Prohibited Items		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Toy guns. ▪ Guns. ▪ Oil. ▪ Petroleum products. ▪ Foodstuff. ▪ Alcohol. ▪ Pornographic materials ▪ Detergents items 	

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Motor Vehicles, Motor cycle, Motor boats etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Original logbook or Registration certificate or cancellation. ▪ De-registration certificate for used cars/boats/motor cycles. ▪ Original invoice for new cars / boats / Motor cycles. ▪ 2x original B/L. ▪ TIN number. ▪ Interpol certificate if coming from southern African countries. ▪ Road worthiness certificate (Post inspection to Tanzania will cost US\$250). ▪ Sales agreement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Vehicles older than 8 years will be subject to over aged fees. ▪ Diplomatic car older than 8 years will be subject to age/aunt dumping taxes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Returning Tanzanians and non-diplomat are allowed only one car and must be owned more than 12 months to qualify for exemption from duties/taxes. ▪ Car should be less than 8 years of age to avoid over aged fees.



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