



# Importing Personal Property Into

## Ghana

### IMPORTING HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

#### **DUTY-FREE ENTRY IS PERMITTED IF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE MET:**

- Shipper is a diplomat
- Shipper has lived abroad for at least one year and did not return to Ghana during that time.
- Furniture and Personal Possessions are considered to be in reasonable quantities for a single family.
- Food and detergents are limited to a three month supply

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- ✓ Packing list
- ✓ Original Passport
- ✓ Original Bill of Lading/AWB
- ✓ Original Inventory in English dated, valued and signed by shipper
- ✓ PUBD form ("personal unaccompanied baggage declaration") to be filled in at airport of arrival. Failure to do so results in a heavy penalty and long delay at customs.
- ✓ Invoices for all electrical and hi fi appliances and for all items bought less than 6 months before the shipment's arrival

#### **Note:**

- Only one electrical appliance of each type is allowed duty free. Duties will have to be paid on all others.
- Duties will have to be paid on all computer equipment.

#### **RESTRICTED/PROHIBITED ITEMS:**

- Narcotics
- Arms and ammunition (permit required)
- Foreign cigarettes without warning notice
- Toxic waste and contaminated goods
- Mercuric medicated soap
- Animals, plants and seeds that are infected with any disease
- Foreign soil
- Pornography, defamatory, obscene and similar articles or publications
- Dangerous weapons
- Alcohol and Spirits (max. 10 bottles allowed, duties to be paid on excess)

#### **IMPORTING MOTOR VEHICLES:**

- Vehicles over 10 years old are not allowed for importation
- Steering wheel must be on left side of vehicle

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- Original Registration Card
- Car's Invoice
- Certificate of Ownership
- OBL showing chassis number, engine number, cylindrical power, age, make and model.

#### **IMPORTING PETS:**

- Check with Ghana Customs and Dept. of Agriculture before shipping any animals. Import license is granted after the shipper has made arrangements for the period of quarantine with a licensed kennel.

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:**

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- AGS Worldwide Movers, 2001
- Household Goods Forwarders of America, Inc. "Commercial Shipper's Guide 1998".
- AGS Africa, 1998

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