



Customs Procedure for Moving Household Goods into Germany

RETURNING GERMAN NATIONAL:

- 1) COPY OF PACKING LIST IN ENGLISH OR GERMAN LANGUAGE
- 2) COPY OF BILL OF LADING OR COPY OF AIRWAYBILL
- 3) COPY OF PASSPORT WITH PICTURE PAGE IN GOOD LEDGIBLE CONDITION.
(VISA PAGES MAY BE HELPFUL)
- 4) COPY OF RESIDENTS REGISTRATION (IN GERMAN "ANMELDEBESTAETIGUNG")
CONFIRMING
CLIENTS ADDRESS IN GERMANY, ISSUED BY LOCAL GERMAN RESIDENTS REGISTRATION
OFFICE. IF CLIENT IS STILL REGISTERED IN GERMANY WHILE STAYING ABROAD, WE NEED
A
COPY OF THE REGISTRATION WITH ACTUAL/ PRESENT RETURNING DATE.
- 5) ATTESTATION FROM EMPLOYER OR GERMAN DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS SHOWING TIME
ABROAD.
MUST BE MINIMUM ONE YEAR (IF NOT OBTAINABLE), CUSTOMS WILL ACCEPT THE
FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS; AS LONG AS THEY SHOW THE MINIMUM TIME (ONE YEAR)
ABROAD.

FOR EXAMPLE: PERSONAL STATEMENT FROM SHIPPER IN CONNECTION WITH
RENTAL AGREEMENTS, HOME SALES OR PURCHASE CONTRACTS/ DEED, TAX
DECLARATIONS OR ANY OTHER PAPERWORK WHICH SHOWS TIME ABROAD.

FOREIGN NATIONALS:

THE SAME DOCUMENTS AS MENTIONED ABOVE ARE REQUIRED, THE ATTESTATION
SHOWING THE TIME ABROAD ISN'T.
A LETTER FROM THE EMPLOYER CONFIRMING EMPLOYMENT IN GERMANY IS NECESSARY.

IMPORTING A CAR / CYCLE:

- 1) COPY OF OWNERSHIP OF VEHICLE
(CERTIFICATE OF TITLE / CERTIFICATE D' IMMATRICULATION OR OTHERS)
- VEHICLE MUST BE IN POSSESSION FOR A MINIMUM OF 6 MONTHS -
- 2) IN ADDITION WE NEED A COPY OF REGISTRATION (WHICH CONFIRMS THE USE AND NOT
THE OWNERSHIP) ISSUED MINIMUM 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO SHIPPING DATE. ALTERNATIVELY
CUSTOMS USUALLY ACCEPTS: INSURANCE CARDS OR CONFIRMATIONS FROM LIABILITY
INSURER OF THE VEHICLE. MINIMUM UNINTERRUPTED COVERAGE MUST BE AT LEAST 6
MONTHS PRIOR TO SHIPPING DATE.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CAN BE IMPORTED, BUT ARE SUBJECT TO DUTIES AND TAXES

FOR CUSTOMS ENTRY WE NEED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- 1) ALCOHOL BRAND AND ALCOHOL PERCENTAGE
- 2) VOLUME AND VALUE OF EACH BOTTLE

BLANK CUSTOMS FORM IS OBTAINABLE AND CAN BE FAXED/ SENDED UPON REQUEST.

WEAPONS:

CAN BE IMPORTED, BUT ARE SUBJECT TO CUSTOMS EXAMINATION AND HIGH BUREAUCRATIC TRANSACTIONS RELATED TO EXTRAORDINARY CHARGES. PLEASE CONTACT US UNDER ALL CIRCUMSTANCES PRIOR TO SHIPPING.

INHERITANCE GOODS:

ARE USUALLY TAX AND DUTY-FREE. FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE NEEDED:

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH, LAST WILL, PACKING LIST, COPY OF BILL OF LADING OR COPY OF AIRWAYBILL.

DIPLOMATIC CARGO:

IS NOT SUBJECT TO ABOVE MENTIONED RESTRICTIONS, TAX AND DUTY FREE ENTRY IS POSSIBLE AGAINST DIPLOMATIC ENTRY FORM 0349 WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED BY DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN GERMANY. ORIGINAL CUSTOMS FORMS ARE NEEDED – NO FAXCOPY –

US MILITARY CARGO UNDER NATO / SOFA STATUS:

TAX AND DUTY FREE ENTRY IS POSSIBLE WITH THE FOLLOWING CUSTOMS FORMS:

HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS: AE FORM 550-175A ISSUED BY LOCAL MILITARY POLICE CUSTOMS OFFICE.

VEHICLES: SEPARATE AE FORM 550-175A IN ADDITION TO REGISTRATION AE FORM 190 – 1 AA. FROM YOUR LOCAL MILITARY POLICE OR LOCAL MOTOR VEHICLE REG. OFFICE.

ORIGINAL CUSTOMS FORMS ARE NEEDED – NO FAXCOPY WILL BE ACCEPTED -

GENERAL IMPORTANT INFORMATIONS:

IN **BREMEN AND BREMERHAVEN** ALL CUSTOMS DOCUMENTS ARE ACCEPTED AS FAXCOPIES.

CUSTOMS FORM 0350 WHICH IS NEEDED FOR COMMERCIAL ENTRIES WILL BE ISSUED BY OUR AGENT WITHOUT NEEDING A POWER OF ATTORNEY. NORMALLY NO CUSTOMS EXAMINATION IS REQUESTED.

IN **HAMBURG** ALL CUSTOMS DOCUMENTS ARE NEEDED IN ORIGINAL, ALSO PASSPORT. IN HAMBURG EVERY SHIPMENT IS SUBJECT TO CUSTOMS EXAMINATION AND XRAY MACHINE, WHICH COSTS EXTRA MONEY. CUSTOMS FORM 0350 WILL ALSO BE ISSUED BY OUR AGENT.

TO AVOID THIS COSTS SHIP TO BREMERHAVEN / BREMEN, NOT TO HAMBURG !!!

ALL CUSTOMS DOCUMENTS HAVE TO BE AVAILABLE PRIOR TO CUSTOMS ENTRY. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US FOR ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS OR EXPLANATIONS TO THE ABOVE.