

## **DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

- Original Passport for customer and all family members
- Visa (mandatory for consignee) valid for at least one year
- Residence or Work Visa
- Foreigners must apply for Work or Residence Permit
- Certificate of Residence issued by the Colombian Consulate, certifying that owner has lived abroad for at least two continuous years
- Inventory (in Spanish)
  - Inventory must show:
  - For ALL MAJOR APPLIANCES AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT (vacuum cleaners, microwave ovens, roasters, TVs, VCRs, stereos, small personal computers, etc.) state the MAKE, MODEL, AND SERIAL NUMBER
  - If possible, pack all electronic appliances together
  - Transmittal documents showing actual weights and/or volume, delivery details, etc.
  - Diplomats must have Diplomatic Entry Form, to be requested from Foreign Ministry by Diplomatic Mission

## **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS**

- Only one household goods shipment from one country allowed per family
- All shipments pay duty, import tax, sales tax (VAT), and warehouse fees which are charged to customer's account
- Owner must have lived outside of the country for at least two years
- Owner must not have imported any household goods in the last seven years
- Customs may ask for Bank Guarantee that goods will not be sold for one year
- Shipments 100% inspected
- Household goods must arrive within 30 days before or 120 days after the arrival of the customer

## **DUTIABLE/RESTRICTED ITEMS**

- Duties/taxes on C.I.F. value of household goods are assessed
- Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products in small quantities are subject to duties and sales tax (Import License may be required)
- One sporting weapon is permitted per family
- Only one of each major electrical appliance is allowed, except air conditioners which are limited to three
- Bedroom furniture must correspond to the number of persons in the family

## **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- Weapons, ammunition and explosives
- Drugs and narcotics
- Pornographic material
- Uniforms or equipment relating to the Police or Armed Forces

## **MOTOR VEHICLES**

- As of 1/1/94 no USED automobile may be imported into Colombia
- Import License is required and **MUST** be obtained prior to arrival of auto
- Do not include an auto as part of the household goods shipment
- **DO NOT SHIP VEHICLES UNTIL ALL DOCUMENTS ARE IN ORDER**
- **NON-COMPLIANCE WILL RESULT IN SEIZURE/STORAGE OF SHIPMENT AT GREAT ADDITIONAL EXPENSE**
- Documents required:
  - Original Commercial Invoice (detailed and in US dollars)
  - Title
  - Registration
  - Copy of Bill of Sale
  - ALL DOCUMENTS (Invoice, etc.) must agree with the Import License

## **PETS**

- Vaccination Certificate
- Import License
- Notarized Health Certificate from Veterinarian
- Quarantine IS NOT required for cats and dogs
- Contact destination agent prior to forwarding

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