

VIETNAM

PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED GOODS

Weapons, ammunition, radio transmitters, narcotics, drugs, pornographic / subversive materials, satellite dishes, publications mentioning/referring to Vietnam, automobile and motorcycles.

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

- Shipper must be in possession of a Work Permit in order to import household goods into Vietnam. The only exceptions are General Managers, General Directors, Managing Directors etc. **If in doubt, do not ship - check with T.I.M.N. Agent first.**
- When the shipper first arrives in Vietnam (at the airport), the details of the sea and air shipment should be noted in the "Unaccompanied Baggage" section of the Shipper's Vietnam Arrival / Departure Card. e.g. 1 container of used personal effects / 2 air vans of used personal effects. If the shipper should leave and return to Vietnam, it is necessary to note the details again in the Vietnam Arrival / Departure Card.
- Shipper must be in Vietnam in time of Customs clearance. Customs will require original passport and Vietnam Arrival / Departure Card.
- Allow 2-3 working days for air Customs clearance and 5-7 working days for sea Customs clearance.
- Customs and Cultural officials will inspect all shipments to assess duties and to screen all cultural items.
- Prepare a detailed packing list. DO NOT LABEL "PBO"
- Antiques will be inspected and should be registered upon entry. Shipper should take pictures of all antiques. List as antiques on packing list. Unless registered upon entry, export may be disallowed.
- Pack books, records, music cassettes, laser compact discs, computer software and videotapes into separate cartons. Note the quantity of each "type" upon carton and on the inventory. Computer software, including floppy discs, music discs, tapes and all videotapes are dutiable at 40 % of the customs assessed value.
- Personal clothing is free of duty but furniture will be dutiable at 10% of the customs assessed value.
- For electronics, note the Brand, Model, and Serial Numbers on the packing list. The duty rate for electronic hardware is 40 - 60 % of the customs assessed value.
- Alcohol (all types) is dutiable: 150-250 % of the customs assessed value.

Videos, CD's are screened for contents. Cost: Appx \$0.50 ea. All written material is screened for contents. Undesirable material, "James Bond" films, for example, will be confiscated!

CONSIGNMENT / NOTIFY INSTRUCTION

Consign OBL / AWB to shipper (name as in passport) - c/o his/her registered Employer Office and address in Vietnam.

Notify party to be shown as: T.I.M.N. Agent.

Fax / e-mail the packing list, Ocean Bill of lading / Air Waybill well in advance of the arrival of the shipment.

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