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Country Guide: Indonesia

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Used Household Goods and Personal Effects

Documents Required

- Original passport
- Original packing list stamped by the Indonesian Embassy at origin
- Original inventory
- Original bill of lading (OBL) / air waybill (AWB)
- Boarding pass
- Original work permit (IMTA)
- Original residence permit (KITAS)

- Letter of employment from company at origin
- Original letter from Indonesian Embassy or Consulate at origin (returning citizens)
- Original ID card / KTP (returning citizens)
- Copy ITAS online
- Copy ID card (diplomat)
- Copy visa (diplomat)
- Diplomat passport
- Original letter of approval from the Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – PP8 (Diplomats)
- Original letter of approval from the Indonesian Ministry of State Secretariat – PP19 (Semi-Diplomats)

Specific Information

- For foreign citizens, documents must be valid a minimum of 12 months before arrival of shipment.
- Household goods and personal effects can be imported duty free for returning Indonesian citizens who worked or studied abroad for at least 12 months.
- For air and sea shipments, the air shipment must arrive first; only one importation of each type is permitted.
 - Sea shipments must arrive within 3 months after the owner of the goods' arrival date in Indonesia.
 - Sea shipments take approximately 10-12 business days if a full container load (FCL) or 12-15 business days if a less than container load (LCL) after port arrival for delivery to Jakarta.
 - Air shipments must arrive within 14 days after the owner of the goods' arrival date in Indonesia.
 - Air shipments take approximately 5-8 business days for delivery after receipt of the necessary documents from the client.
- For returning Indonesian nationals, the letter of employment must state that the owner of the goods lived abroad for a minimum of 12 months.
- Diplomatic shipments are free of import duty and tax.
- All shipments should be sent to POE Jakarta to avoid complications, intensive examinations, and delays with Customs.
- Incomplete documentation resulting in delays may result in extra charges to include demurrage, port storage, and Customs penalties.
- All shipments are physically inspected by Customs, excluding diplomatic shipments.

Motor Vehicles

Documents Required

- Copy of passport

- Original bill of lading (OBL) / air waybill (AWB)
- Original packing list, stamped by the Indonesian Embassy in the origin country (Diplomats)
- Original letter of approval from the Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – PP8 (Diplomats)
- Statement letter of the consignee from the organization.
- Copy of ID card of the signed statement letter
- Copy of ID card of the consignee
- Original title and registration of the vehicle

Specific Information

Only diplomats may import motor vehicles.

Pets

Documents Required

- Import permit (issued by the Indonesian Directorate General of Livestock Service)
- Veterinary health certificate
- Vaccination record

Specific Information

- The veterinary health certificate and the vaccination record must be issued by an authorized veterinarian in the origin country.
- Vaccinations must be given at least 30 days prior to import but no later than 1 year.
- Pets cannot be imported to Bali.
- Pets must be at least 90 days old for import.
- Pets should not be pregnant, nursing, or require food from another animal.
- Pets are subject to 14 days' quarantine.
- The Directorate General of Livestock Service must be notified of the arrival of pets 2 days prior to import.

Restricted/Dutiable Items

Cultural objects/statues may be taken to the Indonesian Directorate of History and Archaeology to be examined.

- The following items may qualify for free import at 'reasonable' quantities:
- Cigarettes, cigars, tobacco
- Perfume
- Dry food

Prohibited Items

- Buddha head statue made of stone is strictly prohibited
- Alcohol
- Firearms and ammunitions, explosives gas, gasoline
- Motor bikes/motorized scooters, vehicle spare parts
- Pornography
- Politically sensitive material
- Protected species under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)

Consignment Instructions

Recommended: Contact the destination agent to ensure all requirements have been met prior to import, especially for differences regarding air / sea shipments.

Cultural and Other Information

[CIA World Factbook](#)

[Wikipedia Entry for Indonesia](#)