

5. CLEARANCE OF SMALL VALUE COMMERCIAL IMPORTATIONS

Importation of goods for sale with a value not exceeding USD 2,000 should be declared by the importer on Customs and Excise Form CE 6. An officer of Customs will then assess the amount payable and a manual receipt will be issued on Form CE 7

Currency declaration

Passengers with currency above USD 5,000 or equivalent should declare with Customs

Scanning of baggage

Passengers baggage may be subject to scanning where such non- intrusive scanner facilities exist.

WARNING! WARNING! WARNING!

Drugs

- ✓ Importation of Narcotic Drugs into Zambia is not allowed, and will result in your imprisonment.
- ✓ Whilst travelling, be wary of carrying packages or baggage for strangers as they might contain illegal substances such as Narcotic drugs.
- ✓ Importation of methadone is prohibited unless authorized by license or permit.

DRUG TRAFFICKING IS NOT WORTH THE RISK

Smuggling

- (i) any introduction or importation of goods with intent to defraud the government or
- (ii) evasion of any prohibition, restriction or regulation of importation and
- (iii) introduction or exportation of any goods required to be accounted for under the Customs and Excise Act. Smuggling is a very serious offence and it carries penalties.

Also, there are heavy penalties for concealing dutiable goods, making false declaration or /and presenting false documents.

HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY

Do not be tempted to present false documents to Customs on entry into Zambia as doing so will result in the forfeiture the articles, payment of penalties and you may also be prosecuted.

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PASSENGER CLEARANCE

Introduction

This leaflet gives a guide on Customs formalities and procedures for passengers arriving in Zambia to make their passage into the country more pleasant and with fewer inconveniences.

ALL ARRIVING PASSENGERS

ON ARRIVAL

Declaration

On arrival passengers are required to make a formal declaration of goods in their possession at the time of arrival in accordance with Regulation 22 of the Customs and Excise (General) Regulations in a Customs declaration form known as Form CE6. Personal belongings as well as goods purchased or acquired abroad should be listed on the declaration form especially if they are-

- In excess of the allowable concession of US\$ 1,000 or equivalent.
- For commercial, business or trade purposes
- Firearms or weapon ; and
- any other prohibited or restricted goods.

Please ensure that the declaration of your goods in Form CE 6 are supported by purchase receipts or invoices.

Red and Green exits

At ports of entry where self-selection of either Red and Green channels are in existence, you have the option of making your customs declaration in either the Red channel or the Green channel.

Green Channel

You may follow the green channel/route only if you have-

- Articles that have been in use prior to importation;
- Goods not more than your Customs allowances of a value not exceeding the equivalent of one thousand United States Dollars; and
- No commercial goods
- No prohibited or restricted goods.

By entering the Green Channel, you will be deemed to have

made a legal declaration that you have nothing to declare other than your allowable concessions.

Red Channel

You should follow the Red Channel if you have-

- Goods more than your Customs allowances of a value exceeding the equivalent of one thousand United States Dollars
- Any prohibited or restricted goods; or
- Any doubt or enquiries about your goods or personal effects.

Prohibited Imports

Importation of goods listed below is prohibited in accordance with Section 40 of the Customs and Excise Act, CAP 322 of the Laws of Zambia:

- False or counterfeit coins or bank notes.
- Any goods which are indecent, obscene or objectionable material
- Pirated or counterfeit goods.
- Prison made or penitentiary made goods.
- Spirituous beverages which contain preparation, extracts, essences or chemical products which are noxious or injurious.
- Any goods which the importation is prohibited by or under authority of any law.
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However, the Minister of Finance and National Planning may authorize the importation of the goods described above if they are for the purpose of study, scientific investigation, or use as evidence in any court proceedings.

Restricted Imports

Importation of the following goods are restricted in accordance with Section 41 of the Customs and Excise Act, CAP 322 of the Laws of Zambia and require relevant licenses, permits, certificates and other legal documents for them to be imported:

- ▶ Agricultural produce (e.g. fresh fruits, vegetables, meat and livestock)
- ▶ Plants and their products
- ▶ Grain wheat and seed, etc
- ▶ Medicines and Drugs
- ▶ Mineral ores and precious stones
- ▶ Firearms and ammunitions
- ▶ Pets
- ▶ Drones

- ▶ Any goods which the importation is restricted by or under authority of any law

Any goods brought in Zambia are subjected to the control of Customs.

Concessions for passengers

1. WEARING APPAREL AND OTHER PERSONAL EFFECTS

Your clothing and other items of apparel will be admitted free of duty provided they are intended for your own use. The term "personal effects" used in the context of this concession covers articles which a traveller may reasonably require or acquired for personal use during a journey

NOTE: Commercial quantities of individual items of clothing apparel are not admissible under the terms of the concession.

2. PERSONAL GOODS OF VALUE LESS THAN USD 1,000

You are allowed a rebate of duty on goods whose value does not exceed US\$1,000 or the equivalent provided that such goods are not intended for commercial use or of commercial nature. You may be allowed full rebate on food, drink and consumable stores in reasonable quantities.

3. OTHER CONCESSIONS

- 2.5 Litres - Clear beer
- 0.5Kg of Tobacco or 0.5Kg of Cigars or 400 sticks of Cigarettes
- 2.5 Litres - Wine
- 1.5 Litres –Spirits

NOTE: These concessions will only be granted to travellers/ persons above 18 years.

4. RE-IMPORTED ITEMS

Temporarily exported goods by residents and registered on a General Registration Certificate (GRC) Form CE 16 may be imported duty free if they are brought back in their original state and the CE 16 processed on exportation is presented to Customs.