CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

Documents Required

- Passport
- Packing list
- Bill of Lading (OBL) / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Letter of Employment issued by the local employer and stamped by Peruvian Labor Ministry (not necessarily approved) or Resident Visa (foreigners with employment contracts)
- Diplomatic Import Permit / Diplomatic Franchise from Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Ministry Affairs (foreign Diplomats, returning Diplomats)
- Export Declaration Form (DUA) (returning citizens)
- Updated ID (DNI) (returning citizens)
- Residence certificate issued by the Peruvian Embassy or consulate at origin
- Immigration record (returning citizens)
- Copy of professional certificate (returning citizens)
- Inventory list indicating value of equipment that will be used in business (returning citizens)
- Business plan (returning citizens)

Specific Information

- The Passport must contain all entry and departure stamps to Peru in last 13 months, with a maximum stay of 30 calendar days within this length of time (returning citizens).
- When shipping household goods and a vehicle in the same container, it must be explicitly stated on the OBL.
- The packing list must contain brand name and serial numbers for electrical items.
- The items must be used household goods and personal effects.
- Household goods shipment must not contain items marked "packed by owner" (PBO).
- Household goods previously exported from Peru may be imported duty free (returning citizens).
- Returning citizens may import household goods and a vehicle duty free if able to produce a residence certificate, immigration record, copy of professional certificate, inventory list, and business plan.
- The residence certificate should, indicate the shipper's decision to stay in Peru for no less than 5 consecutive years after importation (returning citizens).
- The shipment must arrive in Peru no earlier than 1 month before the owner’s first entry into Peru and no later than 4 months after owner's last entry into Peru.
- Diplomatic shipments are exempt from a physical inspection by Customs.
- Returning citizens may import used household goods and vehicles duty free (not exceeding USD 30,000.00 each) by requesting and obtaining approval from SUNAT, which takes approximately 30 calendar days. The shipper must not have used this benefit within the last 2 years.
- A Phytosanitary inspection will be done at the port / airport of entry in Peru. If packing is not marked per NIMF Nº 15, entry will be denied. If packing is properly labelled, but evidence of live plagues is found, Customs may deny entry, require quarantine, order treatment, return them to the origin country, or destroy them.
**MOTOR VEHICLES**

**Documents Required**

- Passport
- OBL / AWB (2 copies each document, if applicable)
- Original Purchase Invoice
- Certificate of Title
- Inspection certificate
- Insurance certificate or letter for not insuring
- DUA signed by the shipper
- Tax ID number (RUC)
- Diplomatic Import Permit / Diplomatic Franchise from Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Ministry Affairs (foreign Diplomats, returning Diplomats)

**Specific Information**

- A vehicle cannot be imported if it has driven more than 80,000 km.
- Only used vehicles and motorcycles less than 5 years old can be imported.
- Vehicles of returning Diplomats will be subject to physical inspection by Customs Authorities.
- The OBL should show the model, year, engine number, and vehicle identification number (VIN) of the automobile.
- Taxes, duties, and fees for vehicles apply as follows:
  - **New vehicle:** 9% ad valorem + 19% Sales Peruvian Taxes + 10% of CIF value
  - **Used vehicle:** 9% ad valorem + 30% “Selectivo” + 19% Sales Taxes + 10% of CIF value
- Perception tax: 5% for new and used vehicles
- Customs Fee: 29 USD for new and used vehicles
- Technical inspection for specifications and supervision: 300.00 USD flat
- Contact the destination agent in Peru for specific details regarding the import of diesel vehicles.
- The destination agent must be provided the make, model, year, chassis number, motor number, engine capacity, mileage, and general description of the vehicle prior to import.
- One car is allowed duty-free import if the value does not exceed the amount authorized by the Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and its engine does not exceed 2,000 cc.
- A Diplomatic Franchise may be granted to the following persons:
  - Foreign representatives of international organizations.
  - Members of foreign armed forces working on official missions.
  - Diplomats, Embassy officers, and returning Diplomats who have completed a diplomatic mission abroad

**PETS**

**Documents Required**

- Vaccination Record
- Veterinary Health Certificate
- Sanitary Certificate

**Specific Information**

- It is recommended to bring pets into Peru as accompanied baggage; otherwise, import duties will be assessed.
- There is no quarantine for cats or dogs entering Peru.
RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- Firearms and ammunition (proof of ownership and special permission from the Ministry of Interior is required prior to shipment arrival)
- Food items (must not exceed 10% of total net weight in air shipments)
- Telecommunication equipment such as radios, fax machines, telephones, etc. (an original invoice of each item is required and only one of each item type is permitted; additional items require authorization)

Refrigeration Devices (Refrigerators / Freezers / Air Conditioners)

- An original manufacturer’s certificate must be issued and signed on the manufacturer’s letterhead stating that coolant is required for use.
- The technical specification manual for each item is required; if unavailable, photographs of the 4 sides of the appliance must be submitted, specifically, the label that displays the specifications and type of gas utilized.
- Import permission must be requested from the OTO-Peru office. The cost for this request is 75.00 USD.
- Approved permission must be provided prior to shipment arrival.
- Items are subject to confiscation if requirements are not met.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Drugs and narcotics
- Pornographic materials
- Automatic firearms
- Explosives

CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

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

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Helpful Website(s):

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_998.html

http://www.embassyofperu.org