



## OMAN



**\*NOTE: THAT CUSTOMERS ARE HAVING PROBLEMS CLEARING THE RESTRICTED ITEMS SHOWN BELOW THROUGH CUSTOMS, AND SIGNIFICANT LOSS AND DAMAGE HAVE BEEN REPORTED.**

### **DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

- Passport (original and two clear copies) including the page where Oman Visa is stamped
- Visa/Residence Permit (two clear copies)
- Work Permit
- Inventory in English (fully detailed and two clear copies) Customs does not accept "PBO" entries
- Letter authorizing Destination Agent to clear shipment
- Insurance Certificate
- Original Bill of Lading/Airway Bill

### **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS**

- **CUSTOMER MUST BE PRESENT FOR CUSTOMS CLEARANCE AND HE/SHE HOLDS A VALID OMAN VISA**
- Used household goods and personal effects are duty-free
- 100% inspection on all shipments
- Visa/residence permit is required for custom clearance
- Personal effects are subject to be open for inspection by custom authorities
- Normal customs clearance takes 3-4 working days [Thursdays and Fridays Customs will remain closed]
- Customs and port authorities will allow 5 days of free storage for full container load shipments, 15 days for less than container loads shipments and 5 days for shipments arriving by air
- Books, literature, audio/video cassettes, records, CD's etc. are all detained by customs for screening and will be released to consignee only after approval by the Ministry of Information
- All prohibited articles detained by customs may be destroyed without the consignee's consent

### **DUTIABLE/RESTRICTED ITEMS**

- All household goods or personal effects less than a year old are dutiable

### **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products
- Pornographic literature, videos, films and pictures (including simple nudity of all kinds)
- Wireless and communication equipment, including walkie-talkie systems and remote cordless telephones
- Political and religious literature need prior approval from the Ministry of Information

- Drugs and narcotics
- Objects made of ivory or any endangered species
- Explosives, firearms, ammunition, knives, swords, daggers, spears, etc. (even toy guns and decorative items of this nature are subject to confiscation)
- \*ALL MATTER, BOOKS, PICTURES, RECORDS, FILMS, TAPES, SLIDES, MOVIES, VIDEOS, COMPACT DISCS, COMPUTER SOFTWARE, ETC. SUBJECT TO CENSORSHIP AND CONFISCATION (MUST BE PACKED SEPARATELY FOR EASY ACCESS) A PROCESS WHICH CAN TAKE UP TO 3 WEEKS IF FOUND UNSUITABLE, SUCH ITEMS WILL BE DESTROYED AND THE CONSIGNEE IS LIABLE TO PAY A FINE.
- Products of Israeli origin or manufacture, or any items on the Israeli blacklist

## **MOTOR VEHICLES**

- Prior permission to import a used auto must be obtained from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and a "No Objection Certificate" from the local agent of that particular brand of car is required
- New cars must be manufactured to comply with G.C.C. (Gulf Cooperation Council) specifications
- Duty levied on all cars
- Confiscation and/or penalties can result from non-compliance with any of the above
- Documents required:
  - Proof of ownership.(vehicle registration papers, purchase receipt, etc.)
  - Passport copy of consignee
  - Import License
  - Certificate of Registration copy from the origin country
  - Authorization letter from consignee to clear the car on his/her behalf.
  - Valid insurance policy, invoice, local dealer's No Objection Certificate, and Oman Chamber of Commerce & Industry Permit (only left hand drive vehicles are allowed)

## **PETS**

- Import Permit must be obtained from Ministry of Agriculture before shipping
- Cats and dogs quarantined for up to 180 days, depending on country of origin
- Health and Vaccination Certificates issued by the health authorities in the country of origin
- Authorization letter from consignee to clear the pets on his/her behalf

**NOTE - Customs regulations are subject to change at any time. The proceeding information is a brief summary of customs regulations applicable to household goods shipments to this destination and is being provided for general guidance to assist our Agents and Customers. Since such regulations are subject to change without notice, cannot be held liable for any costs, damage, delays, or other detrimental events resulting from non-compliance. Always double check with your local embassy or consulate.**