

# Vietnam (Southern Region)

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**Ports:** Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

**Prohibited:** Narcotics, Drugs, Firearms, Explosives, Pornography, Politically Sensitive Materials.

**Cont:** None

## Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco

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**Required Documents:** Inventory with exact number of bottles and type of alcohol and quantity of tobacco.

**Customs Regulations:** Duties on all at current tariff rate - alcohol is 125 to 150%.

**Clearance:** Expect some "shrinkage" during clearance process.

**Remarks:**

## Diplomatic Removals

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**Required Documents:** Certificate from the Embassy or Consulate from the Foreign Ministry.

**Customs Regulations:** Duty free entry for foreign diplomats, except for multiple electronic items. Multiple TV's, stereos, etc. will be assessed duties at tariff rates (50-60%).

**Clearance:** Diplomatic shipments of household goods are inspected by Customs in the port.

**Remarks:**

## Household Goods and Personal Effects

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**Required Documents:** Fax for details. Requirements change frequently. Clients' passports must be available for clearance. Very detailed packing list is important.

**Customs Regulations:** All non-diplomatic household goods (new or used) are dutiable per the current customs tariff. Some "NGO" clients may have duty-free status (i.e., UN, UNDP). Items not on a packing list may be confiscated. Videos, books, music cassettes, computer software and antiques are screened by the Cultural Department. Radio transmitters, fax machines, telephones require separate import licenses. Hi-tech color printers may be refused entry.

**Clearance:** Customs inspects 100% of the shipments in the port. Clearance times for sea are 2 to 3 weeks.

**Remarks:**

## Pets

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**Required Documents:** Up-to-date rabies vaccination papers and health certificate.

**Customs Regulations:**

**Clearance:** Same day. Usually very simple for dogs and cats.

**Remarks:**

## Vehicles

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**Required Documents:** (1) Certificate of Registration. (2) Import license (3) Car papers

**Customs Regulations:** Cars over 2 years old usually not allowed import permits. Duties charged on most autos at 200% of value, unless special permission granted in advance of arrival. DO NOT SHIP

WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL.

**Clearance:** Clearance time varies from 1 to 2 weeks.

**Remarks:**

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