

OMAN (SULTANATE)

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original inventory in English + copy. • Original BL/AWB; in case of express release BL a copy of the BL is required • Insurance Policy. • Consignee has to be present for customs inspection. • Passport original and copy with residence visa stamped or a copy of visa application. • Visa/Residence permit (2 clear copies) 	Importation is allowed provided the shipment consists of personal effects and used household goods.	<p>New household goods subject to payment of 5 % duties. For duty purposes the inventory should not state value of items.</p> <p>Customs often levy a nominal duty of US\$ 125/20' or US\$ 250/40' on FCL shipments</p> <p>Customs does not accept "PBO" entries on an inventory list</p> <p>100% inspection will be carried out on all shipments; personal effects are subject to be open for inspection by customs authorities</p> <p>Customs clearance takes 3-4 days; Customs is closed on Thursday and Friday</p> <p>5 days of free storage will be allowed by the customs and port authorities for a full container load, 15 days for LCL and 5 days for air shipments</p> <p>All books, literature and audio-visual materials are detained by customs for screening and will be released to the consignee only after approval by the Ministry of Information</p>
Diplomats' removals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as above, plus • letter from Ministry of foreign affairs for exemption of customs duty and customs inspection. 	Free of national & local duties.	Port police may inspect cargo.
Commodity shipments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legalised CIF invoice. • Certificate of Origin. • Copy consignee's trade licence. 		Subject to 5% duties on the CIF value.

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Motor vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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) ▪ Insurance must be done in Muscat prior to Car's arrival in Muscat, certificate copy required. ▪ NOC from sponsor for importation 	Importation is allowed provided the vehicle is over one year old.	<p>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</p> <p>Duty between 5% -10%levied on all cars, except for cars/bikes registered after 2003 and moved from within GCC region. However such vehicles should be accompanied by statistical report from country of Origin</p> <p>New cars must be manufactured to comply with G.C.C. (Gulf Cooperation Council) specifications Confiscation and/or penalties can result from non-compliance with any of the above</p>
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccination certificate from health authorities in country of origin. • Import permit from Ministry of Agriculture. 		<p>Cats and dogs quarantined for up to 180 days, depending on country of origin</p> <p>Authorization letter from consignee to clear the pets on his/her behalf.</p>
Prohibited Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<p>Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products</p> <p>Pornographic literature, videos, films and pictures (including simple nudity of all kinds)</p> <p>Wireless and communication equipment, including walkie-talkie systems and remote</p>	<p>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</p>

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		<p>cordless telephones</p> <p>Political and religious literature need prior approval from the Ministry of Information</p> <p>Drugs and narcotics</p> <p>Objects made of ivory or any endangered species</p> <p>Explosives, firearms, ammunition, knives, swords, daggers, spears, etc. (even toy guns and decorative items of this nature are subject to confiscation)</p>	<p>TO 3 WEEKS IF FOUND UNSUITABLE, SUCH ITEMS WILL BE DESTROYED AND THE CONSIGNEE IS LIABLE TO PAY A FINE.</p>
<p>General</p>			<p>All prohibited articles detained by customs may be destroyed without the consignee's consent. There are no records available of items destroyed.</p> <p><u>WOOD PACKAGING (ISPM 15) – FUMIGATION REQUIREMENTS IN OMAN</u></p> <p>The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (Plant Quarantine Department) has advised that effective from 1st January, 2007 the export of any commodity packed in wood with thickness exceeding 6 mm will not be allowed for Export and Import unless they are treated by heat or fumigated by methyl bromide gas and bears the official recognized stamp by the Ministry or the authorized private companies. This requirement also applies to the imported goods to the Sultanate packed in the same</p>

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			<p>wooden material, which shall not be allowed to enter the Sultanate without being similarly treated and bear the recognized official stamp. Therefore, for all export shipments from 1st January 2007 which are packed in wood with thickness exceeding 6 mm should be heat treated or fumigated and packages are stamped as above. The necessary heat treatment/fumigation certificate should be attached to the Customs Bill of Export before processing. For commodities which are packed in wood with thickness of 6mm or below and or packed in packaging materials other than wood, a declaration from the shipper in their letter head duly signed and stamped should be attached to the Customs Bill of Export before processing. Your OMNI agent will also need a copy of the certificate or declaration as the case may be while booking the cargo for export.</p>