
NAQEL Express | Import & Export Guide

United States of America

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Terminology

Manifest: Consolidated information for the batch.

Master airway bill (MAWB): airline waybill.

House waybill (HAWB): waybill from the shipper to the final consignee.

NAQEL service charges: transportation fee + COD charges (if applicable) + customs clearance fee (if applicable).

COD: Cash on Delivery. The amount that NAQEL has to collect from the customer upon delivery.

COD = Declared value + NAQEL service charges + customs duty + VAT.

Declared value: the value of the goods as it appears in the commercial invoice and in the manifest.

Declared value (CIF Value) = Goods value + international shipping cost & insurance.

Note: if the Domestic COD charges and domestic delivery Charges and Duty & VAT are not splitted in the commercial invoice, it will be considered as a part of declared Value and it will be subjected to Duty & VAT collection. Correct value without COD charges and domestic delivery Charges and Duty & VAT must be in the manifest.

Customs Duty: the amount that needs to be paid to Customs for goods entering the country.

Customs Authority Administration fees: The amount to be paid to customs for customs formalities.

VAT: Value Added Tax

NAQEL Customs Clearance fees: The amount levied by NAQEL for activities needed to be completed to clear commercial shipments and high value shipments for individual shipments. (Depending on a contract with customer)

EDI: Electronic Data Interface.

Import

Prohibited and Restricted goods for Import

Prohibited goods are those goods of a nature or kind which are by virtue of any law for the time being in force in the country absolutely prohibited from being imported or exported. Prohibited goods normally carry with them a series of penalties if you are caught importing or exporting such items.

Restricted goods are those items that can only be imported or exported where authority of a license has been granted by the comptroller of customs and excise or another relevant Government authority. Examples of restricted goods include prescription medications, wildlife and items of cultural significance. If items found to be imported or exported without the relevant authority the individual may be subject to prosecution, fine and seizure of the restricted goods.

The products CBP prevent from entering the United States are those that would injure community, health, public safety, American workers, children, or domestic plant and animal life, or those that would defeat our national interests. Sometimes the products that cause injury, or have the potential to do so, may seem fairly innocent.

- Agricultural Commodities
- Fruits, Vegetables, and Nuts
- Insects
- Livestock and Animals
- Meat, Poultry and Egg Products
- Plants and Plant Products
- Seeds
- Wood Packing Materials
- Tobacco-Related Products
- Arms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Implements of War
- Radioactive Materials and Nuclear Reactors
- Household appliances
- Commercial and industrial equipment
- Toys and Children's Articles
- Lead In Paint
- Bicycles and Bicycle Helmets
- Fireworks
- Flammable Fabrics
- Art Materials
- Cigarette Lighters

- Multi-purpose lighters
- Radiation- and Sonic Radiation-Producing Products
- Radio Frequency Devices
- Foods, Cosmetics, etc
- Biological Drugs
- Biological Materials and Vectors
- Narcotic Drugs and Derivatives
- Drug Paraphernalia
- Conflict Diamonds
- Gold and Silver
- Counterfeit Articles
- Monetary Instruments
- Pesticides
- Toxic Substances
- Hazardous Substances
- Refrigerants
- Textile Products
- Wool
- Fur
- Copyrights
- Wildlife and Pets
- Matches, fireworks, knives
Obscene, Immoral or Seditious Matter and Lottery Tickets
- Petroleum and Petroleum Products
- Products where Unfair Competition may be claimed
- Artifacts/Cultural Property
- Alcoholic Beverages

For more detailed info, please refer to:

<https://www.cbp.gov/sites/default/files/documents/Importing%20into%20the%20U.S.pdf>

Export

Prohibited and restricted goods for Export

Prohibited goods are those goods of a nature or kind which are by virtue of any law for the time being in force in the country absolutely prohibited from being imported or exported. Prohibited goods normally carry with them a series of penalties if you are caught importing or exporting such items.

Restricted goods are those items that can only be imported or exported where authority of a license has been granted by the comptroller of customs and excise or another relevant Government authority. Examples of restricted goods include prescription medications, wildlife and items of cultural significance. If items found to be imported or exported without the relevant authority the individual may be subject to prosecution, fine and seizure of the restricted goods.

For Export requirements, please also need to refer to the destination countries Import Regulations. Commodities that may have restrictions are (but not limited to):

- Bank Cards, Bank Drafts
- Bearer Negotiable Financial Instruments (Bonds, etc.)
- Cash (Banknotes and Coins)
- Checks (including Traveler's Checks)
- Credit Cards
- Equivalent to Cash, such as Endorsed Shares, Bonds, and Money Orders
- Gold, Silver, or Platinum Bullion / Bars
- Medals
- Rough Diamonds, Loose Diamonds or Gems
- Tokens
- Lottery Tickets
- Slot Machines or Other Gambling Devices
- Gambling Devices Parts and Accessories
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- Gambling Devices Parts and Accessories
- Amino Acids
- Dietary Supplements, Minerals, Vitamins
- Human Growth Hormones
- Medications, Medicinal Drugs, including common Painkillers

- Stem Cell-derived Medications
- Accelerators
- Electrically Powered Apparatus (Wheelchairs, Lawnmowers, etc.)
- Gyroscopes
- High Powered Computers
- High Powered Lasers and Sensors
- High-End Communications Devices / Radios
- High-End Encryption Devices (network switches, LAN or WAN servers, cellular base stations, etc.)
- High-End GPS, Radar, and Sonar Devices
- Integrated Circuits
- Integrated Circuits used in many Communication Systems
- Magnetized Material
- Magnets
- Microprocessor Chips, Microcontrollers, and other similar Components
- Military Grade Electronics of any kind
- Military Grade Networking Devices (Servers & Routers)
- Processors
- Robotics
- Ruggedized Computers
- Satellite Phones
- Some Biometric Devices
- Ammunition, Bullets, Cartridges
- Baton Guns
- Bayonets, Blades, Knives
- Body Armor / Kevlar (both soft and hard)
- Brass Knuckles or similar Items
- Butt-Stocks
- Explosives, including Detonating Cords, Blasting Caps, Fuses, Primers, Igniters
- Firearms (including Imitation, Antique, and Replicas)
- Firing Pins, Hammers
- Gas Masks and Gas Mask Filters
- Gun Accessories (Stands, Handles, Cases, Silencers, etc.)
- Gun Barrels
- Gun Powder
- Holographic Weapon Sights, Red Dot Sights, Reticule Sights

- Mace, Pepper Spray
- Magazines, Ammunition Clips
- Metal Hand-Cuffs, Plastic Zip-Tie Restraints
- Military Helmets and Helmet Accessories
- Military Shields (all Levels and Types)
- Night Vision Equipment and Accessories (Generation 2, 3, or 4)
- Optical Sighting Equipment
- Police or Military Uniforms
- Rifle Scopes
- Stun-Guns, Stun-Batons, Tasers
- Tactical Gear and Weapon Accessories
- Tactical Lights (both Hand-Held and Weapon-Mountable)
- Tactical / Military Helmets
- Thermal Imaging Equipment and Heat Seekers
- Trigger Housings
- Weapon Lasers
- Bird Feathers and Insects
- Caviar from Beluga or Sturgeon
- Corals Shells, Starfish, Sand Dollars, and Other Marine Life
- Crocodile, Alligator, Snake, Lizard, and Other Reptiles Skins
- Fish Skin, Shark Teeth, Shark Cartilage Supplements
- Fur, Skin, Hair, Antlers, Bones, Claws, and Teeth
- Mother of Pearl items found on Watches, Guitars, and Jewelry
- Hazardous Materials / Goods Dangerous
- Adult Magazines / Books
- Adult Videos / Movies
- Sex Toys

Additional information about many of the US export regulations may be found at the following websites:

- Directorate of Defense Trade Controls: https://www.pmddtc.state.gov/ddtc_public
- Drug Enforcement Agency: <https://www.dea.gov/>
- Food and Drug Administration: <https://www.fda.gov/>
- Fish and Wildlife Service: <https://www.fws.gov/>
- Department of Treasury: <https://home.treasury.gov/>
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives: <https://www.atf.gov/>

Import requirements for clearance

For Commercial Establishments

- Detailed invoice along with HS code of each item
- Air waybill & MAWB
- Copy of the importer CR (Commercial Registration)
- Authorization from the importer to the customs clearance company
- Indication of origin on the shipment.
- Packing list.
- Subjected to Customs duties and taxes

Note: Certificate of origin attested by a competent authority may be required

Note: Restricted commodities may require an approval from the relevant governing entity.

For Private individuals

- Detailed invoice along with HS code of each item
- Air waybill & MAWB
- Indication of origin on the shipment
- Subjected to Customs duties and taxes

Note: Restricted commodities may require an approval from the relevant governing entity.

Courier commercial shipments:

- Detailed commercial invoice along with HS code of each item
- Air waybill & MAWB
- Copy of the importer CR
- Packing list
- Manifest
- Indication of Origin
- Subject to Customs duties and taxes

Note: Restricted commodities require an approval from the relevant governing entity.

Courier private individual shipments:

Shipment value less than USD 800 and less (Consolidated declaration/ MAWB):

- Detailed commercial invoice along with HS code of each item
- Air waybill & MAWB
- Manifest
- Packing list
- Indication of Origin
- Subject to duties and taxes, commodity driven

Note: Limitation is less than USD 800 per consignee per day.

Note: Restricted commodities may require an approval from the relevant governing entity.

Shipment value is above USD 800:

- Detailed commercial invoice along with HS code of each item
- Air waybill & MAWB
- Full name and address of the consignee
- Manifest
- Packing list
- Indication of Origin
- Subjected to Customs duties and taxes

Note: Restricted commodities may require an approval from the relevant governing entity

Export requirements for clearance

For Commercial Establishments

- Detailed commercial invoice along with HS code of each item
- Certificate of origin attested by a competent authority
- Waybill
- Authorization from the exporter to customs clearance company

For Private

- Detailed commercial invoice along with HS code of each item
- Certificate of origin attested by a competent authority maybe required
- Waybill
- Authorization from the exporter to customs clearance company

Re-export

- Copy of the first import declaration
- Waybill
- Re-export declaration, payment of customs duties
- Detailed commercial invoice along with HS code of each item

Note: Certain commodities may require additional documentation and an approval from the relevant governing entity

Note: Export of commodities with a value above USD 2500 requires a Shippers Export Declaration (SED) and Automated Export System (AES) filing to obtain an export approval.