

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Recalled Zambian Diplomats Serving in Foreign Missions under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs	 Documents required prior to household goods and personnel effects. Original Diplomatic passport. 	The goods must be imported within 6 months of return date. Failure to do so results in "Duty and Taxes which the Ministry refuses to take care off unless the	All documents' copies (passport, contracts, letters of employment, etc.) MUST be certified by the Legal Department in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
	Original or Certified Letter of First Appointment into Foreign Service.	delay is caused by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs itself" applying.New items can be imported as long as they	The shipper must be in the country when the goods arrive.
	Original or Certified Staff Recall Letter plus Transfer letters to different Missions if any for those that have moved from one	are HHE because the Ministry pays the Taxes in form of Government Vouchers.	Original passport is required. Household Goods and Vehicles must be
	mission to the other before final recall to Zambia.	NOTE THAT NO MULTIPLE IMPORTATION OF ONE ITEM IS ALLOWED IN A SINGLE CONSIGNMENT (COOKER, TV, SOFA SET,	cleared separately and will incur as many customs clearance fees as the number of customs entries.
	Packing list in English (no abbreviations).	FRIDGE) AS IT MAY BE CONSIDERED AS COMMERCIAL GOODS AND A MAXIMUM OF	A shipment containing Household goods + a
	Valued Inventory list in English (not insurance value. A detailed value per item is required if shipments transit through	TWO MOTOR VEHICLES IS ALLOWED, ONE MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A TRAILER OR ONE MOTOR VEHICLE WITH ONE MOTOR BIKE	car + a trailer will require 3 different customs entries.
	South Africa. These must show individual values for all electrical appliances and M/Vehicles).	WHICHEVER THE CLIENT CHOSES TO PICK. ANY THING MORE THAN THE STATED ABOVE IS TAXABLE AND PAID BY THE	Diplomatic shipments are subjected to Removals in Bond (RIB) and final cleared in Lusaka.
	Declaration of value for customs purposes signed and dated by the client.	INDIVIDUAL CLIENT.	NOTE: ALL SHIPMENTS FOR RECALLED DIPLOMATS HAVE TO GO TO LUSAKA FOR ONWARD DELIVERY PENDING
	 Individual TPIN (Tax payer identification number). 		GOVERNMENT VOUCHERS ISSUANCE.



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Goods Removal of returning Zambian citizens including Diplomats	 Documents required prior to household goods and personnel effects arrival in Zambia. Original Passport. 	Returning residents must have been out of Zambia for a minimum of 2 years to qualify for "Duty & Tax Free" Importation of their Used Households Goods and Personal Effects plus one M/Vehicle per Household.	All documents' copies (passport, contracts, letter of employment, etc.) MUST be certified by the Zambian High Commission in the country of origin or by a commissioner of Oath.
	A letter of offer of Employment (Employment Contract to work outside Zambia) and a Letter of Separation of Employment or Termination of Contract.	For the M/Vehicle, documentary proof of ownership before their final Return to Zambia is required for the M/Vehicle to qualify Tax Free Importation into Zambia.	 The shipper must be in the country when the goods arrive. Original passport is required.
	(DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF HAVING BEEN AWAY FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS MINIMUM).	Documentation required for a Motor Vehicle to qualify as having owned before return can be in form of a Purchase invoice showing	Please note that for returning Zambians the original passport where the first exit on taking up employment or studies abroad are required
	Packing list in English (no abbreviations).	date of purchase before return date to Zambia or Certificate of Ownership dated	including the Passports issued in between if any.
	Valued Inventory list in English (not insurance value. A detailed value per item is required if shipments transit through South Africa. These must show individual values for all electrical appliances and	before date of return to Zambia and only one Motor Vehicle or one Motor Cycle will qualify Tax Free importation into Zambia. The goods must be imported within (6) six	Household Goods and Vehicles must be cleared separately and will incur as many customs clearance fees as the number of customs entries.
	vehicles).	months of return date. Failure to do so results in "Duty and Taxes" applying.	A shipment containing Household goods + a car + a trailer will require 3 different customs entries.
	Declaration of value for customs purposes signed and dated by the client.	New items are subject to Import Duties & Taxes + VAT.	
	Individual TPIN (Tax payer identification number).		



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Removal of Foreign Residents (NEW RESIDENTS)	Original passport, showing date of first entry in Zambia to take up Employment.	Same as above for rates.	Same as above.	
(holders of foreign Passport + Employment, Investors, Self Employment, Spouse & Resident Permits)	Original Employment /Spouse /Self Employment /Investor or Residence Permit/ (not temporary work permit).			
,	A letter of Employment or Contract from Employer.			
	Packing List in English (no abbreviations).			
	Valued Inventory list in English (not insurance value. A detailed value per item is required if shipments transit through South Africa. These must show individual values for all electrical appliances and vehicles).			
	Declaration of value for customs purposes signed and dated by the client.			
	Individual TPIN (Tax payer identification number).			

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Diplomats removal	 Certified colour copy of diplomatic passport, certified by the mission including the entry visa page. A Letter of Introduction from the local mission in Zambia. Certified Diplomatic Card or Diplomatic Permit Copies issued by the Zambian Immigration in colour certified by the local mission or Zambian Customs. Approved Note Verbal by the Zambian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Copy of inventory and Declaration of Value. Individual TPIN (Tax payer identification number). 	Duty and Tax free by Diplomats. Diplomats can import larger quantities of alcohol within reasonable amounts. Diplomatic missions can import alcohol without any limits unless the quantity is very large and therefore suspicious. We recommend you check with your local Embassy before shipping.	 The Shipper must be in Zambia prior to the arrival of his goods as he must first officially register at the Zambia Department of Foreign Affairs. Diplomatic shipments can only be cleared in Lusaka. They must therefore be removed in Bond (RIB) from the boarder to Lusaka terminal. An extra Bond Fee of USD 100.00 applies. The clearance process takes between 3 to 5 days depending on the approval from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the shipment must therefore be offloaded from the truck to avoid "Truck standing time". Additional charges for grounding and reloading will apply and be invoiced accordingly.
Car/s, Caravans, Motor bikes, Quads, Trailers and Boats	 Original Certificate of Registration or Certificate of Ownership. Purchase invoice or letter of sale in English. Latest Valuation Certificate. 	Both New Residents (Foreign Nationals) and Returning Zambian Nationals having lived abroad for more than 2 years are allowed to import one motor vehicle duty and tax free provided the vehicle was owned by the Importer before arrival date in Zambia.	Although M/Vehicles and Personal Effects imported by returning Zambian Diplomats are NOT duty and Tax free, the Department of Foreign Affairs pays those Duties and Taxes on behalf of the returning Diplomat by means of Voucher.



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	 Police clearance certificate (Interpol or SARPCCO for Motor Vehicles imported within SADC Region). Certified Copy of passport, showing date of departure & date of return. For diplomats: Diplomatic Clearance completed by the Diplomatic representation and countersigned by the Department of Foreign Affairs in Zambia. 	Any additional Motor Vehicles can be imported into Zambia though subjected to paying Import taxes. The Zambian Customs value stands and the duties are calculated and must be paid in Zambian Kwacha prior to leaving the border. The current rates based on CIF value are 25% duties + 30% excise duties +6% advance income tax + 16% VAT on the cumulated total. Foreign diplomats may import Duty and Tax free two (2) Motor Vehicles maximum per Diplomat (Per Household).	 The issuing of such vouchers takes up to 3 months from the date of entry. The vehicle cannot get cleared before the voucher is issued. Vehicles belongings to returning Zambian Diplomats can only be cleared in Lusaka. They must therefore be Removed In Bond (RIB) from the boarder to Lusaka terminal. An extra Bond Fee of USD 100.00 applies per vehicle.
Alcohol		An individual is allowed to import Tax free in to Zambia the following maximum quantities of alcohol: Two litres of Alcohol not exceeding 22% in volume of alcoholic quantity. Four litres of still Wine. Sixteen litres of Beer. Note also that when the above are combined, the alcoholic quantity must not exceed 100% in volume.	



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