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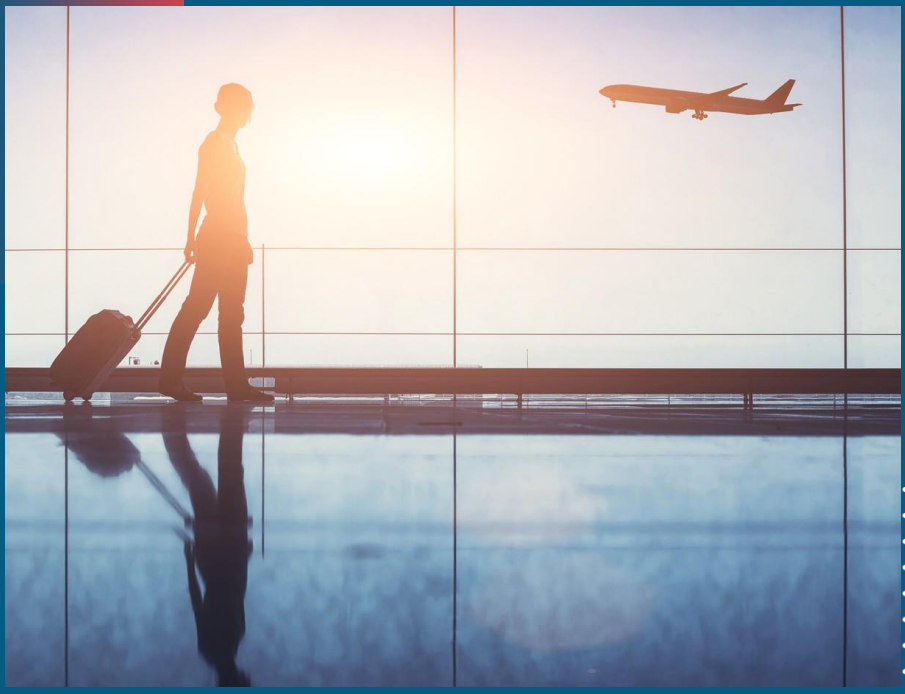
GUIDE

FOR INDIVIDUALS CROSSING RA BORDER

2024

The purpose of this guide is to introduce the regulations governing the transportation of goods by individuals across the border of the Republic of Armenia.

UPON ARRIVING TO THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA



1. What are considered “goods for personal use”, and who determines their purpose and based on what criteria?

Products are deemed goods for personal use if they are intended for personal, family, or home use, or for other needs not related to business activities.

Customs authorities assess the nature of goods based on their quantity, type, and the frequency of the individual’s border crossings.

2. How does the two-way system function at the border?

The two-way system allows individuals traveling through the customs border of the Union to independently choose either the **"Green"** or **"Red"** lane to conduct customs operations related to the declaration of goods for personal use

3. When can be selected?

"Green" lane

The **"Green" lane** is suitable when the luggage or items contain goods for personal use that do not require a customs declaration

4. When should be selected?

"Red" lane

The **"Red" lane** must be selected if the accompanying luggage or items contains goods that require a customs declaration, or if there is uncertainty about whether the goods are exempt from declaration.





5. What does crossing the "Green" lane line signify?

Crossing the **"Green" lane** signifies the individual's declaration that there are no goods to declare.



6. What should you do if you are unsure about which lane to choose?

If you are unsure whether the goods in your possession require declaration, opt for the **"Red" lane.** In this case, a customs inspector will advise whether a declaration is needed.

7. What is the maximum quantity of goods that can be imported into the Republic of Armenia without customs fees?

An individual can import goods for personal use weighing no more than 10 kg and valued at no more than the Armenian dram (AMD) equivalent of 200 Euros when crossing the terrestrial border, and no more than 50 kg valued at no more than the AMD equivalent of 10,000 Euros via air transport, with exceptions for alcohol and alcoholic beverages over 0.5% alcohol by volume.

8. Are used personal goods necessary during travel included in the customs exemptions?

Used personal goods necessary during the trip or at the destination do not count towards the weight and value limits for customs exemptions.

9. How are necessary used items during travel classified, and who is responsible for this?



Customs authorities determine which goods are necessary for use during travel based on legislation.

10. What actions are required if the quantity of goods exceeds the allowed limits?

If the quantity of goods exceeds allowed limits, it is necessary to complete a passenger customs declaration for all goods (except for personal used goods) and pay customs fees on the excess

at 30% of their value, but no less than the AMD equivalent of 4 Euros per kilogram.

11. What are the restrictions on importing alcoholic beverages?

Importing **more than 5 liters** of ethyl alcohol or alcoholic beverages with over 0.5% alcohol content from third countries is prohibited, as is their import by individuals **under 18 years old.**

Note. When importing more than 3 liters of alcohol, declaration and payment of customs duties at the AMD equivalent of 10 Euros per liter are required.

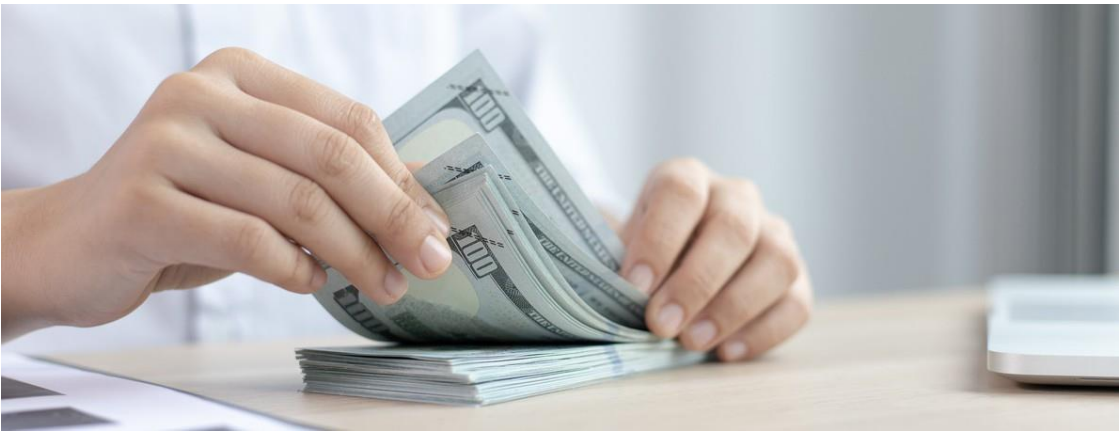
12. What are the restrictions on importing tobacco products?

It is prohibited

to import more than 200 cigarettes, 50 cigars (cigarillos), 200 heated tobacco sticks, or more than 250 g of tobacco products in total, as well as their import by individuals under 18 years old.



13. What are the cash and monetary instruments import restrictions?

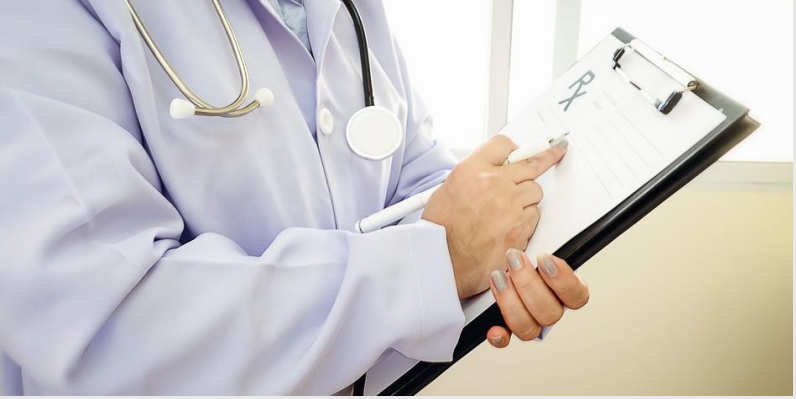


Imports of cash or traveler's checks totaling up to USD 10,000 do not require declaration.

. Monetary instruments other than traveler's checks must be declared regardless of the amount.

Funds on bank cards are not declared.

Note. For declarations exceeding USD 100,000, documentation verifying the origin of the funds is required.



14. What are the regulations concerning the import of medications by individuals into the Republic of Armenia?

For personal use or treatment by individuals arriving from foreign countries, medications registered or unregistered in the Republic of Armenia may be imported without certification, in quantities of up to 10 types, with three consumer packs each, provided that accompanying documentation, such as a prescription, medical history, or other document signed by a physician, does not justify a larger quantity required for the treatment course.



15. What guidelines govern the transport of drugs containing narcotics or psychotropic substances by individuals?

The import and export of narcotic drugs and drugs containing psychotropic (psychoactive) substances by individuals do not necessitate a license submission to customs, provided relevant medical documentation confirming medical necessity, including product name and quantity, is presented. These medical documents, or certified translations into Armenian from foreign languages along with notarization, must be furnished to customs authorities.

Only narcotic drugs and psychotropic drugs registered in the Republic of Armenia are permissible for importation.

Individuals crossing the Armenian border must complete a customs declaration, affirming the quantity of narcotics or psychotropic substances prescribed by a physician and the legality of acquisition.

16. What restrictions exist on the importation of products subject to phytosanitary control by individuals?

Individuals may import **up to 5 kilograms of high phytosanitary risk** sub-quarantine products (excluding seed and production potatoes and materials for cultivation or research) without a phytosanitary certificate.

Additionally. they may import up to 1 pumpkin, melon, or watermelon, and up to 3 bunches of flowers, defined as collections of cut flowers, foliage, grasses, or other plant parts, fresh or dried, totaling no more than 15 pieces.

17. What prohibitions and limitations pertain to the importation of products subject to veterinary sanitary control by individuals?

Individuals may import up to 5 kilograms of pre-packaged animal products into the Republic of Armenia without a veterinary sanitary certificate or permission from the exporting country, provided factory packaging is intact.

Personal transport of up to 2 dogs or cats does not require a special permit if the accompanying international passport indicates a clinical examination conducted by an authorized body within 14 days prior to shipment.



- Failure to declare goods exceeding permissible quantities, including traveler's checks, or goods necessitating declaration regardless of quantity, such as monetary instruments or drugs containing narcotics or psychotropic substances, may result in administrative or criminal penalties as per Armenian legislation.

- **Smuggling constitutes a criminal offense under the Criminal Code of the Republic of Armenia.**

Important Information:

Smuggling encompasses the illegal transportation of specified goods across the customs or state borders of Armenia, including bypassing customs control, non-disclosure, or fraudulent submission of customs documents. The following items are considered smuggled goods:

a) Cash or payment instruments exceeding 10,000 US dollars in equivalent value.

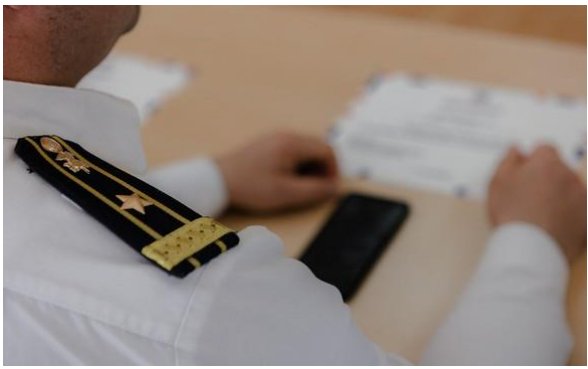
b) Large quantities of strategically significant raw materials or cultural assets listed by Government Decision No. 35-N of January 14, 2021.

c) Narcotic drugs, psychoactive substances, their analogs, or precursors, as well as equipment or materials for their preparation, under special control or prohibited for processing or containing poisonous substances.

d) Military products, explosive materials, firearms, ammunition, or their components.

e) Radioactive or nuclear materials, toxic substances, or devices used in creating weapons of mass destruction, including nuclear, chemical, biological, or other prohibited weapons.

Customs authorities may conduct oral interviews and employ other approved customs control measures to gather pertinent information without documenting the results.



For further information on border transportation regulations in the Republic of Armenia, please refer to the official website of the State Revenue Committee

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