

Prohibited Commodities

The importation of the following commodities is not allowed under existing laws:

- a) Prohibited commodities under Section 101 of Presidential Decree (P.D.) No. 1464, as amended (Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines):
 - i. Dynamite, gunpowder, ammunitions and other explosives, firearms, and weapons of war, and parts thereof, except when authorized by law.
 - ii. Written or printed articles in any form containing any matter advocating or inciting treason, or rebellion, insurrection, sedition, or subversion against the Government of the Philippines, or forcible resistance to any law of the Philippines, or containing any threat to take the life of, or inflict bodily harm upon any person in the Philippines.
 - iii. Written or printed articles, negatives or cinematographic film, photographs, engravings, lithographs, objects, paintings, drawings, or other representation of an obscene or immoral character.
 - iv. Articles, instruments, drugs and substances designed, intended or adapted for producing unlawful abortion, or any printed matter which advertises or describes or gives directly or indirectly information where, how or by whom unlawful abortion is produced.
 - v. Roulette wheels, gambling outfits, loaded dice, marked cards, machines, apparatus or mechanical devices used in gambling or the distribution of money, cigars, cigarettes, or other articles when such distribution is dependent on chance, including jackpot and pinball machines or similar contrivances, or parts thereof.
 - vi. Lottery and sweepstakes tickets except those authorized by the Philippine Government, advertisements thereof and lists of drawings therein.
 - vii. Any article manufactured in whole or in part of gold, silver or other precious metals or alloys thereof, the stamps, brands or marks or which do not indicate the actual fineness of quality of said metals or alloys.
 - viii. Any adulterated or misbranded articles of food or any adulterated or misbranded drug in violation of the provisions of the "Food and Drugs Act".

- ix. Marijuana, opium, poppies, coca leaves, heroin or any other narcotics or synthetic drugs which are or may hereafter be declared habit forming by the President of the Philippines, or any compound, manufactured salt, derivative, or preparation thereof, except when imported by the Government of the Philippines or any person duly authorized by the Dangerous Drugs Board, for medical purposes only.
 - x. Opium pipes and parts thereof, or whatever material.
 - xi. All other articles and parts thereof, the importation of which is prohibited by law or rules and regulations issued by competent authority (as amended by Presidential Decree No. 34).
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- b) Used clothing and rags under R.A. No. 4653 (An Act to Safeguard to Safeguard the Health of the People and Maintain the Dignity of the Nation by Declaring it a National Policy to Prohibit the Commercial Importation of Textile Articles Commonly Known as Used Clothings and Rags) dated 17 June 1966;
 - c) Toy firearms and explosives, which, even if dissimilar in other aspects, are replicas in appearance, measurements, color and parts as its genuine counterpart firearms and explosives under Letter of Instructions No. 1264 dated 31 July 1982;
 - d) Hazardous wastes, even in transit into the Philippine territorial limits under Section 24 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 6969 (Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Wastes Control Act of 1990);
 - e) Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) under Section 5 of Department of Environment and Natural Resources Administrative Order No. 01, Series of 2004;
 - f) All used motorcycle parts (except engine) under Executive Order No. 156 dated 12 December 2002;
 - g) Right hand drive vehicles under R.A. No. 8506 (An Act Banning the Registration and Operation of Vehicles with Right-Hand Steering Wheel in any Private or Public Street, Road or Highway, Providing Penalties Therefor, and for Other Purposes);
 - h) Live piranha under Fisheries Administrative Order (FAO) No. 126, Series of 1979 (Rules and Regulations Prohibiting the Importation and/or Possession of any Live Piranha); and
 - i) Live shrimps and prawns of all stages under FAO No. 207, Series of 2001 (Prohibiting the Importation and Culture of Imported Live Shrimp and Prawn of All Stages).