



## Import Customs Guide **LESOTHO**

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| GOODS   | DOCUMENTS REQUIRED   | CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS  | REMARKS   |
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| <p><b>Household goods and personal effects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Returning residents</b></li> <li>- <b>Non-Diplomats</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Copy of passport *</li> <li>▪ Copy of work / residence permit.</li> <li>▪ Documents to be completed                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Letter of value – secondhand value for Customs purposes</li> <li>▪ Clearing Instructions – to be signed &amp; stamped by Employee</li> <li>▪ Letter of appointment from Employee</li> <li>▪ Letter of confirmation from Lesotho Ministry of Foreign Affairs</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Used household goods &amp; personal effects imported duty &amp; tax free, if owned by client for more than one year.</li> <li>▪ ** Client must be present in Lesotho at least 2 weeks before arrival of consignment.</li> <li>▪ ** Documents to be signed and stamped by client’s employer in Lesotho.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Following documents must be forwarded via e-mail at least 2 weeks before consignment arrives in Lesotho:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ SWB / AWB</li> <li>▪ Packing list</li> <li>▪ Copy of client passport</li> <li>▪ Complete contact details of client in Lesotho</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Failure to comply with the above will result in demurrage, container detention and storage charges.</li> <li>▪ Import customs clearing finalized +/- 7 working days after submission on LNSW</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Household goods and personal effects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Diplomats</b></li> <li>- <b>NGO’s</b></li> </ul>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Copy of passport. *</li> <li>▪ Documents to be completed and submitted to Diplomatic Mission: **</li> <li>▪ Letter of value – secondhand value for Customs purposes</li> <li>▪ Clearing Instructions – to be signed &amp; stamped by diplomatic mission</li> <li>▪ Letter of appointment</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ** Presence of Diplomatic Officials not required in Lesotho.</li> <li>▪ ** Documents to be signed and stamped by Head of Mission in Lesotho.</li> </ul>   |   |

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| <b>Motor vehicles</b><br>- Returning residents<br>- Non-Diplomats | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Vehicle registration certificate</li> <li>▪ Copy of passport *</li> <li>▪ Copy or work / residence permit.</li> <li>▪ Documents to be completed **:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Letter of value – secondhand value for Customs purposes</li> <li>▪ Clearing Instructions to be signed &amp; stamped by Employee</li> <li>▪ Letter of Appointment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Used motor vehicle imported duty &amp; tax free if owned by client for more than one year.</li> <li>▪ ** Client must be present in Lesotho at least 2 weeks before arrival of vehicle.</li> <li>▪ ** Documents to be signed and stamped by client's employer in Lesotho.</li> <li>▪ ** Import customs duties &amp; taxes will be charged on import of second vehicle.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Complete details of vehicle required on SWB:</li> <li>▪ Year, make, model, VIN &amp; Engine numbers</li> </ul> |
| <b>Motor vehicles</b><br>- Diplomats<br>- NGO's                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Vehicle registration certificate</li> <li>▪ Copy of passport. *               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Documents to be completed and submitted to Diplomatic Mission **:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Letter of value – secondhand value for Customs purposes</li> <li>▪ Clearing Instructions to be signed &amp; stamped by Diplomatic Mission</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New / used vehicles imported duty- and tax-free for Diplomatic Officials.</li> <li>▪ ** Presence of Diplomatic Officials not required in Lesotho.</li> <li>▪ ** Documents to be signed and stamped by Head of Mission in Lesotho.</li> </ul>   |   |
| <b>Commercial Cargo</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Commercial Invoice. *</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Commercial goods imported duty- and tax-free for Diplomatic Missions.</li> <li>▪ Import customs duties &amp; taxes will be charged to Non-Diplomatic clients.</li> </ul>   |   |
| <b>Prohibited Items</b>   |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Narcotics, firearms and ammunition</li> <li>▪ Spirits and alcohol</li> <li>▪ Flick knives, swords, assegais and other dangerous weapons</li> <li>▪ Indecent and obscene books, CD's, DVD's and other objectionable articles.</li> </ul>  |   |



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