



Sudan Import procedures

Guideline to suppliers.

When importing goods into Sudan, there are formal governmental procedures to be taken into consideration. The following document will advise you on the procedures that have to be followed and it will also state what is required from the supplier at different stages. Unless the following guidelines are cautiously and timely followed up there will most certainly be delays in the shipment of goods which will consequently result into delays in clearance of the shipment and delivery to the final customer.

IMPORT REGULATION

(A) Import through Kapoeta and Kaya borders by road i.e. Southern Sudan.

All importers have to apply for an Import License giving the complete product details and approximate value of the total imports to the Ministry of Commerce in the prescribed form. In case the importer does not have an import license they have to pay a fee of 2% of the CIF value during customs clearance.

For Imports through Kaya border the customs clearance has to be done at the border or at Yei. With regard to imports through Kapoeta the customs clearance can be done at the border or at Juba. Presently at Yei, customs are taxed under a tariff regime of 0 to 20%. At Juba the regime is from 0 to 45%. All vehicles custom cleared at Yei can also be registered at Juba.

Tax exemptions are given to all imports made by registered NGOs, Government tenderers, specific projects and imports made under investment policy. Exemption is issued by both Central Government at Khartoum and GOSS Government.

The prohibited items are:

- Endangered Species
- Elephant tusks
- Rhinoceros Horns
- Skins of endangered species
- Narcotics
- Fertilizers
- Genetically modified seeds
- Agricultural chemicals.
- Antiques
- Military Equipment, arms & ammunition



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(B) Import through Port Sudan by sea, Khartoum & Juba by air.

All importers need registration in the Import/Export Registry at the Ministry of Foreign Trade.

1. Import Declaration Form

All commercial imports into Sudan require an IDF. When the importer applies for an IDF, the information to be filled in is provided by the supplier vide a Proforma Invoice.

a. The following are the information required in the Proforma Invoice.

- Specification and clear description of the quantity and quality of the goods.
- Free on Board (FOB) Value.
- Freight value (if applicable)
- Currency of payment
- Mode of transportation
- Country of Origin of the goods issued by the competent authority in the country of origin.
- Insurance value (if applicable)

b. Proforma invoice for transport and Insurance Certificate if not provided by the supplier.

2. Sudan uses the BDV (Brussels definition of Value).

3. Importers must present :

- An Import declaration.
- Commercial Certificate of Origin
- Quarantine License (where necessary)
- Sudanese Standards and Metrology Organization (SSMO) requirements or other
- documents for specific type of goods and complete Bank formalities.

4. Importers must pay the required duties, taxes and fees and receive an official release order for the goods. Duties, taxes and fees are payable before releasing the goods except direct delivery goods.

5. Sudan has no mandatory Pre-shipment Inspection. Importers are advised to have Pre-shipment Inspection Certificate issued by International Cargo Inspectors registered by SSMO (Sudanese Standards and Metrology Organization). Double check inspection might be conducted by the SSMO.



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6. Sudan does not apply any quantitative import regulations. All goods can be imported to Sudan except those, which are prohibited by social values or security considerations.

The prohibited goods are:

- Alcoholic beverages
- Antiques
- Cheques, blank (N1)
- Furs
- Gambling equipments / playing cards
- Isoproponol
- Ivory
- Military equipment
- Perishables
- Precious metals and stones

7. Shipping Documents required:

Airfreight shipments – original documents

- Airway bill
- Supplier Invoice
- Packing list
- IDF (from the importer)
- Importer's identification number.
- Duties & Taxes Exemption Certificates, if any.
- Permit for import of food, agro products, drugs and pharmaceuticals.

Sea freight shipments – original documents.

- Bill of lading
- Supplier Invoice(s)
- Packing list
- IDF (from importer)
- Importer's identification number.
- Duties & Taxes Exemption Certificates, if any.
- Permit for import of food, agro products, drugs and pharmaceuticals.



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Additional documents required for specific imports.

- Certificate of Origin.
- Phytosanitary Certificates for imports of agricultural products.
- Gift Certificates, if gifted to any organization eligible for duty free clearance.
- Passport of the individual for clearance of personal effects.
- Registration/ De-registration Card of country of origin of old/used vehicles.

Please contact INTERFREIGHT (SOUTHERN SUDAN) LIMITED for any questions on this process.

We request you to check before importing for the latest regulations.

EXPORT REGULATIONS.

1. Exportation in Sudan needs registration of the Exporter in Importers/Exporters Registry.
2. Sudan applies the harmonized system for classification of exports, as in the case of imports. Export rates are ad-valorem, the export duty is 10% on cotton and gum Arabic, while on other products it is 5%. All these rates are on FAS value. There is also 1%-2% quay duty for Sudan Seaport Corporation and 1% for Civil Aviation.
3. There are no quantitative or quota export restriction.
4. No license is required for export, except when there is no remittance, in which case an export license is issued by the Ministry of Foreign Trade and the Central Bank, and the sales contract need to be stamped by the Ministry of Foreign Trade.
5. Sudan has no indicative minimum export prices, which are based on the internal cost and world market prices. There are no voluntary export restrictions and no orderly market arrangements.

Questions

If there are any questions on this process please contact INTERFREIGHT Southern Sudan.