

GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT No. 46 OF 1997

The Customs and Excise Act
(Laws, Volume 18, Cap. 322)

The Customs and Excise (General) (Amendment)
Regulations, 1997

IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in section *one hundred and ninety-eight* of the Customs and Excise Act, the following Regulations are hereby made:

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| 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Customs and Excise (General) (Amendment) Regulations, 1997, and shall be read as one with the Customs and Excise (General) Regulations, in these Regulations referred to as the principal Regulations. | Title
Cap. 662
p. 554 |
| 2. The principal Regulations are amended by the deletion of regulation 14 and the substitution thereof of the following new regulation: | Amendment
of principal
Regulations |
| 14. (1) Any person— | Declaration
by persons
entering
Zambia |
| (a) entering Zambia shall make a declaration to an officer, either verbally or in Form No. 47 set out in the Appendix, of all goods or articles in his possession or custody; | |
| (b) entering or leaving Zambia shall make a declaration either verbally or in Form No. 47A set out in the Appendix, of any currency in his possession, exceeding five thousand United States Dollars or its equivalent; and | |
| (c) entering Zambia shall produce and deliver up any goods the importation of which is prohibited or restricted: | |

Provided that a person shall be allowed to retain any goods the importation of which is restricted if he has obtained permission to import the goods in terms of the law providing the restriction.

*Copies of this Statutory Instrument can be obtained from the Government Printer,
P. O. Box 30136, 10100, Lusaka. Price K1,500.00 each.*

(2) Notwithstanding sub-regulation (1), where a port of entry gives a person a choice to pass through the customs entry point using either a red or green route, the entry by a person into a green route shall be deemed to be a declaration by that person that such person does not have in his possession—

- (a) dutiable goods, other than travellers' effects on which a rebate of duty has been granted;
- (b) goods or articles for commercial use; and
- (c) goods or articles the importation of which is prohibited or restricted.

Amendment
of regulation
16

3. Regulation 16 of the principal Regulations is amended in paragraph (c) of sub-regulation (1), by the deletion of the words " verbal or written ".

Amendment
of First
Schedule

4. The First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended in Part II, by the—

- (a) deletion of Customs Form No. 47 and the substitution thereof of a new Customs Form No. 47 set out in the Appendix; and
- (b) insertion, immediately after Customs Form No. 47, of Customs Form No. 47A set out in the Appendix.

APPENDIX
(Regulation 4)

Customs Form No. 47

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA
ZAMBIA REVENUE AUTHORITY
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION

INFORMATION FOR TRAVELLERS GOING THROUGH CUSTOMS

1. In terms of Zambian law, you, as a traveller, must make a declaration to Customs of all goods and effects in your possession, whether they are purchased, even from a duty free shop, or received as gifts.

2. The declaration must be made to Customs either verbally or in writing using Page 1 of this Form. At places which operate self-selection by red or green routes, such as an International Airport, you must opt to enter one or other of these routes. Entry into the green route is deemed to be a declaration that you have nothing to declare.

3. Whether using the red or green you are advised to read carefully the guidance on Page 1 of this Form.

4. If you make a correct declaration you will be allowed to import some or all of your baggage without payment of duties or taxes. The allowances are listed at Page 2 of this Form.

Members of Customs officers have every right, by law, to examine your baggage.

If they wish to do so, please co-operate with them.

NOTES FOR TRAVELLERS
CUSTOMS ALLOWANCES

Tobacco Products

400 cigarettes or 0.5Kg pipe tobacco or 0.5Kg cigars.

Alcoholic Beverages

1.5 litres spirits, 2.5 litres wine and 2.5 litres beer.

The allowances for tobacco products and alcoholic beverages are not applicable to persons under the age of 18 years.

Other Goods which are not merchandise, not exceeding a value equivalent of US \$150.00.

Duties and Taxes

Merchandise and goods which exceed the allowances, which are properly declared, are liable to be assessed for duty and value added tax. Any goods which are not declared are liable to seizure.

Currency

There are no currency restrictions in Zambia and travellers are free to bring into, or take out of Zambia any amounts of money, in any currency. However, amounts exceeding the equivalent of US \$5,000, which are being brought into, or taken out of, Zambia should be declared to customs. A simple form for your declaration if you have currency exceeding the equivalent of US \$5,000, will be provided by Customs on request. Currency exceeding the equivalent of US \$5,000, which is not declared, will be seized.

Prohibited and Restricted Goods

If you are importing any of the following items, or are in any doubts about your goods, you must declare them to Customs—

- (a) Narcotic drugs;
- (b) Obscene videos, films, books or other such articles;
- (c) Firearms and ammunition;
- (d) Live animals, fish, reptiles and the like; and
- (e) Plants.

Failure to declare such goods will render them liable to seizure.

Warning:

- Do NOT smuggle
- Do NOT carry bags through Customs for someone else
- Do NOT try to hide any goods
- Do NOT try to mislead the Customs Office
- Do ASK the Customs Officer if you are in doubt

CUSTOMS DECLARATION

Surname		Forenames		
Address in Zambia				
Passport No.		Nationality		
Status of Traveller (tick appropriate box)	Returning Resident	Visitor	In Transit	Immigrant

ZAMBIAN RESIDENTS must declare the total value of all articles acquired abroad (whether new or used, whether dutiable or not, and whether purchased as a gift or otherwise) which are in their possession at the time of their arrival.

VISITORS must declare items they are importing which will remain in Zambia (e.g. gifts).

ALL TRAVELLERS must declare all items of merchandise for trade or commercial use, and any prohibited or restricted goods.

GOODS	QUANTITY	VALUE (State actual cost in currency of purchase)	FOR OFFICIAL USE

DECLARATION

I have read the requirements stated in this note and declare that I have made a true and complete statement of goods being imported.

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(Signed)

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(Date)

RED AND GREEN ROUTES

Where self-selection Red and Green routes operate, you have the option of making your Customs declaration in either the RED Channel or the GREEN Channel.

You may follow the GREEN ROUTE only if you have:

- # No more than your Customs allowance
- # No commercial goods or merchandise
- # No prohibited or restricted goods

NOTE CAREFULLY that by entering the GREEN CHANNEL you will be deemed to have made a legal declaration that you have nothing to declare other than your Customs allowances.

You should follow the RED ROUTE if you have:

- # More than your Customs allowances
- # Goods for trade or commercial purposes
- # Any prohibited or restricted goods
- # Any doubts or enquiries about your goods or effects

Travellers using the RED ROUTE should make their declaration on Page 3 of this form.

WARNING

ENTERING THE GREEN CHANNEL WITH GOODS TO DECLARE OTHER THAN THE CUSTOMS ALLOWANCES IS AN OFFENCE AND COULD RESULT IN A PENALTY OF A FINE OR IMPRISONMENT OR BOTH, AND FORFEITURE OF THE GOODS

Importation
 required abroad
 based as a gift
 arrival.
 Zambia (e.g.
 commercial use,

U.S.

Customs Form No. 47A

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA
ZAMBIA REVENUE AUTHORITY
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION
CURRENCY DECLARATION FORM

There is a legal requirement in Zambia for all persons entering or leaving the country to declare all currency notes, in any currency, which they are importing or exporting, and which, in total, exceed in value the equivalent of five thousand United States Dollars. This form is to be used for such declarations.

Name.....

Nationality..... Passport Number.....

*Arriving from..... Port of Entry.....

*Departing to..... Port of exit.....

I hereby declare that I have in my possession the following currency notes:

CURRENCY	AMOUNT	EQUIVALENT US\$

Signed..... Date.....

Signature of Customs Officer.....

NOTE: There is no restriction on the amounts of currency which can be imported to, and exported from, Zambia. However, all amounts exceeding five thousand United States Dollars or its equivalent shall be declared and produced to a Customs Officer on request.

*Delete as appropriate

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