## **Country Specific Information**

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- 1. All shipments where Duty has been levied and paid in advance will be delivered to Consignee against receipt of the duty amount vide cash/Pay Order from the Consignee.
- 2. In case the Consignee should refuse to pay such Duty/Tax amount, it will be the responsibility of the Shipper at Origin to bear the same.
- 3. Shipments addressed to Companies, which are entitled to Duty Free Imports special care must be ensured by alerting the destination so that the shipments are detained at Customs and are not cleared.

#### 2. COMMODITIES PROHIBITED INTO SRI LANKA

- Animal Parts and skins, bones and any other item from an Animal
- Perishables and including tinned foods
- Seeds and Soil and Plants and parts thereof
- Currency of any denomination
- Gambling Devices
- Gems and Jewellery and precious and semi-precious
- Passports

- Precious Metals and Stones
- Pornographic Material
- Narcotics
- Publications and material that contain
  - LTTE and separate state related materials
- Antiques
- Ivory
- All Blue Dart Prohibited Items
- DGR

#### 3. <u>GIFTS:</u>

For shipments containing GIFTS, the AWB and Invoice must clearly state the contents and state the same to be "GIFT" and also state the purpose of sending the Gift (e.g. Birthday, Anniversary, New Year, etc). The value limit permitted by Indian Customs for Gifts on Regional Priority is INR 50,000/-

Note: Shipments valued over INR5,000/- may take additional days for customs clearance at destination.

Shipments valued over INR5,000/- which may require additional paperwork, Foster Agencies can provide the same at an additional cost of LKR1,500/- to be paid by the consignee.

#### 4. BONAFIDE SAMPLE SHIPMENTS:

For BONAFIDE SAMPLE SHIPMENTS, the AWB and Invoice must clearly state the contents as "BONAFIDE TRADE SAMPLES BEING SUPPLIED FREE OF COST". The value limit permitted by Indian Customs for Samples on Regional Priority is INR 50,000/-

#### Note: Shipments valued over INR5,000/- may take additional days for customs clearance at destination.

Shipments valued over INR5,000/- which may require additional paperwork, Foster Agencies can provide the same at an additional cost of LKR1,500/- to be paid by the consignee.

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#### DOX

Airlines ticket issue	1
Annual reports	
Brochures	1
Catalogs	1
Checks payroll	
Checks, travelers	
Computer printouts	
Credit Cards (Blanks)	2
Credit Cards	
Documents	

Blue prints	1
Books	
Invoices (Non-blank)	
Magazines	1
Manuals	
Manuscripts	
Newspapers	1
Photographs	
Specification sheets	

- 1 Maximum quantity 5 pieces; otherwise ship as Duts
- 2 Maximum 12 pieces; otherwise ship as Duts

### DUTS

DOTO			
Advertising		Invoices, blank	
Appliances		Manuals, technical	
Artwork fine		Manuscripts	
Artwork, commercial		Maps	
Blank forms		Microfiche & microfilm	
Business cards		Music, printed or manuscript	
Calendars		Negatives, Including X-rays, films	
Catalogues		Office Supplies	
Charts/graphs		Parts, aircraft	6
Compact Disc		Parts, Computers	6
Computer software		Parts, Electronic	6
Communication Equipment	2 & 4	Parts, Machine	
Chemicals, non- haz	1	Photographs	
Cotton Seeds		Plant products	3
Diskettes		Plans/drawing -arch/indust. /eng. pur	
Drawings		Price tickets for garments	
Drugs prescription		Software	
Film, commercial	5	Tapes, Video	7
Film, promo/training		Toys	8

- **1.** Local customs require documentation/literature to be provided to ascertain the properties/usage of the chemical.
- **2.** For phones and Walkie-talkies, consignee requires approval for Ministry of Defense and/or Ministry of Post and Telecommunications.
- **3.** Phyto Certificate from Origin required. Approval from the Agriculture Department required to be obtained locally by consignee.
- 4. Import control license to be obtained by consignee from the controller of Imports and Exports.
- 5. Consignee requires approval from the Film Corporation for Customs clearance.
- 6. Shipment will be detained, paperwork handed over to consignee for formal clearance.
- 7. Video CDs, DVDs Video cassettes.
- 8. Toy guns: Full description and consignee approval required.