



Taking Household Effects into Mexico

The Mexican Government allows foreign retired residents, as well as immigrants, to bring their household effects into Mexico without paying import duties. The only requirement is that they need to be used. New items need to be imported separately and the corresponding duties need to be paid.

The process to bring household effects into Mexico is:

- An inspection of the goods needs to be made by an Import Broker.
- The import broker prepares an inventory list of the goods in Spanish.
- Four Copies of the inventory list are signed by the person moving to Mexico.
- The person moving to Mexico needs to take the four copies together with the FM3/FM2 to the Mexican Consulate in the United States to get the approval. A Consular fee needs to be paid to the Consulate.
- The Consulate takes one business day to give back the list with the approval. The approval is sent to the Import Broker and it is used to prepare the import document.
- The documents required for the import are:
 - o Inventory list in Spanish stamped by the Mexican Consulate (Original).
 - o FM3 Stamped (Copy).
 - o Proof of Residence in the US (Copy of electrical, water, phone bill).
 - o Proof of Residence in Mexico (Copy of electrical, water, phone bill).
 - o Social Security Number.

Once the Mexican Consulate stamps the inventory list, the household goods must enter the country within the next six months as of the date of the stamp. Household effects can be brought into Mexico only once per family in a lifetime.

ACV Services can help you with all the process to bring your goods into Mexico. Should you have any questions, please, don't hesitate to contact us and one of our Customer Service Representative will be happy to assist you.

For more information check with the nearest Mexican Consulate.

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