



SAUDI ARABIA **VEHICLE IMPORT**

I. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR IMPORT CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

1. E-Authorization to broker via: <https://oga.fasah.sa/en/login/1.0/>
2. Copy of Iqama (residence permit)
3. Copy of passport
4. Vehicle documents (e.g., export certificate, title certificate, registration, invoice, bill of sale)

II GENERAL IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

- **Used vehicles over 5 years old are not permitted .**
Saudi Nationals and Premium Iqama holders may import older vehicles, subject to a surtax of 3.5% of the vehicle value per year (minimum SAR 20,000), capped at 50% of the assessed value.
- **Expatriates are not allowed to import:** *Vehicles with more than six (6) cylinders, Convertible cars, Seven-seater vehicles, More than one vehicle per person, Right-hand drive vehicles (Even if it is converted to the Left hand)*
- **The consignee and vehicle owner must be the same.**
- **Salvaged/Damaged Cars:** The importation of salvaged, flood-damaged, fire-damaged, accident-damaged, or structurally compromised vehicles is strictly prohibited.
- **All vehicles must comply with Saudi standards.**
Check compliance: <https://sls.saso.gov.sa/Pages/ExploreVehicle>
Non-compliant vehicles will be subject to a fine of SAR 20,000.

III. ENERGY EFFICIENCY COMPLIANCE:

Before shipping, a compliance certificate from the Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) must be obtained.
Apply here: <https://www.saso.gov.sa/ar/eservices/Pages/ImportedCar.aspx>

Information required for the application:

Vehicle chassis number (VIN), Model, Type, Fuel type, Engine type, Engine capacity, Seat capacity, Odometer reading, Number of axles, Cylinders, and doors, Photos of: Front, rear, right, and left sides, Manufacturer's plate showing VIN and technical details
Approval typically takes approximately one week after all information has been submitted.

IV. CUSTOMS DUTIES AND VAT:

Customs duty: 5% of the customs-assessed value
VAT: 15% on the total of (assessed value + customs duty)
Diplomatic shipments are exempted if the embassy secures the duty/inspection exemption from the ministries

V. FOR MORE INFORMATION: Visit the official ZATCA site:

https://zatca.gov.sa/en/RulesRegulations/Taxes/Pages/customs_individual/import-vehicles.aspx

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