

## **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

It is illegal to bring the following into Japan

- **Firearms or Weapons Ammunition**
- **Narcotic drugs, stimulants, marihuana, MDMA , etc.**
- **Firearms such as pistols, revolvers, etc.**
- **Explosives (dynamite etc.), materials for chemical weapons.**
- **Obscene or immoral materials, and child pornography**
- **Counterfeit, altered or imitated bank notes, coins or securities, and forged credit cards.**
- **Articles which infringe upon intellectual property rights**
- **Fresh/raw food stuff**

## **Import of Food item**

**Food items in air shipment are not so good.** We recommend you would send food

items by sea shipment. **If shipper would minimize sending food item, approx. 2-3**

**small cartons (within less 10% of total volume).** And **please fill out detailed food**

**list.** And please describe as "Kitchen item" on the packing list.

Meat products are prohibited items. Rice, corns, wheat and beans are restricted items, and rice is less than 100 kgs. Dried food stuff is Okay. All of food stuff will be inspected by Japanese customs and quarantine office. The total leading time for customs clearance will be postponed 4-5 working days as compared with that of normal way. (Normally we need 7-10 working day for import customs clearance of sea shipment.) If weevil and other insect are found out from rice or other food items, and the food item will be fumigated by quarantine office.

### **Import of Alcohol**

ONE ADULT is able to bring 90 bottles of alcohol to Japan as HHG & EP shipment. If shipper comes to Japan with spouse or adult child, they are able to bring 180 bottles of alcohol. If ONE ADULT brought over 90 bottles to Japan, these alcohols are cleared import customs as normal commercial cargo and Japanese customs will do plant quarantine. 3 bottles of alcohol (750 ml per bottle) are duty free PER ADULT. As to over 3 bottles, shipper has to pay a duty & tax. Duty & Tax of wine are approx. J.yen 200 - J.yen 500 per Liters.

To clear import custom of alcohol, you have to fill out details of the correct alcohol list and please advise which cartons you put the wines. In addition, the shipper has to write

down the total numbers of bottle and adult on **Japan Declaration Card**

**(Unaccompanied Baggage Form)** . A flight attendant will give shipper 2 pieces of Japan Declaration Card (Unaccompanied Baggage Form) in airplane to Japan.

Import duty of alcohol

J.yen 500 / Liter.....Whisky, Brandy

J.yen 300-500 / Liter.....Gin, Vodka, Rum, and other spirits

J.yen 300 / Liter.....Other distilled alcoholic beverages

J.yen 200 / Liter.....Wine and other liquors (Beer)

**Import of Medicine**

If the cargo contains pharmaceuticals, customs clearance will be suspended and can be disposed. Based on Japanese medical standard, some component is not permitted or higher than origin nation's standard. Items include cold medicine, vitamin tablet. **We recommend shippers to bring pharmaceuticals as hand baggage.**

If shipper has chronic illness or special reason and need prescription medicine, please inform us in advance. We will consult with customs officer and advice required documents.

## **Import of Brand-new item**

In Japan, shipper has to pay an import duty & tax if One Adult shipper sent brand-new items of total J.yen 200,000 or more to Japan. If shipper comes to Japan with spouse, they are able to bring a brand-new items up to total J.yen 400,000 **Import Duty & tax of brand-new furniture are approx. 5% of CIF.** **To make it not subject to duty & tax as much as possible, you should repack these brand-new items by using your packing materials. And please do not write down "brand-new" on the packing list.**

If Japanese customs found brand-new furniture at import customs inspection, Import duty & tax will be levied. Japanese customs will request the purchase receipts to shipper for confirming the amount. If shipper did not have the purchase receipts, Japanese customs will levy import duty & tax on the amount assessing by them.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT PROHIBITED & RESTRICTED ITEMS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US BEFORE YOU SHIP OUT IT FROM ORIGIN.**