

# IMPORTING INTO SAMOA

How to import food, animals and animal products, plants and plant products, and vehicles, machinery, and equipment into Samoa for private and commercial use.

## IMPORT PERMIT

If an import permit is required, you can apply for one via email or in person. The fees will be confirmed at the time of application.

## RECEIVE DOCUMENTATION

If you are bringing the product with you into Samoa, you must declare it on your passenger arrival card and have all the required documentation with you. If you are importing or sending products to Samoa, documentation must be provided to the Biosecurity Samoa Main Office.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Border clearance helps prevent the entry of unwanted pests and diseases when importing goods into Samoa.



## CHECK THE REQUIREMENTS

Check the import requirements with Biosecurity Samoa. These can be found on the website or by contacting the Biosecurity Samoa Main Office. If you want to bring your household pet to Samoa, contact Biosecurity Samoa in the first instance.



### IMPORTS

Samoa Quarantine has strict requirements for the environment and agriculture. Please ensure all goods are declared on arrival and have been issued with the appropriate documentation. Goods permitted without an import permit are not.

## EXPORT CERTIFICATION

Biosecurity Samoa may require a certificate issued by the appropriate government agency of the exporting country. These certificates contain assurances about the health of the animal or plant, or their products. If you need an export certificate, it will tell you in the import permit.

## HOUSEHOLD PETS

Contact Biosecurity Samoa in the first instance for information about importing household pets into Samoa.



## INSPECTION

Once Biosecurity Samoa have received both the regulated articles and the required documentation, then inspection may begin. Articles must be inspected according to the appropriate clearance procedure.

## INCOMPLETE DOCUMENTATION OR FAILED INSPECTION

### HOLD / FINE / DESTROY

If the documentation is incomplete or the regulated article fails inspection then the regulated article will be seized and destroyed, or held for a non-compliance fee.

False or incomplete declaration or lack of an import permit may result in a fine or prosecution at the discretion of the Inspection Biosecurity Official.



## COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION & BIOSECURITY INSPECTOR APPROVAL

### ITEM RELEASED INTO SAMOA

If the documentation is complete, the regulated article passes inspection and all fees are paid then the article is released into Samoa.



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