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<p>Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All tableware regardless of what they are made out of, like Dishes, plates, knives, forks spoons, cups, saucers, glasses, platters, all require FDA clearance, in addition to CBP 	
US Import Prohibited Goods	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Goods that are classified as hazardous material, non-approved * dangerous goods, prohibited or restricted articles by IATA (International Air Transport Association), ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization), ADR (European Road Transport Regulation on dangerous goods), DOT (U.S. Department of Transport), USPS (United States Postal Service), UPU (Universal Postal Union) and any applicable government department or other relevant organization; ▪ Goods with no customs declaration made when required by applicable customs regulations; ▪ Goods with defective or inadequate packaging or that cannot be carried safely by DHL eCommerce; ▪ Shipments whose content, exterior design, transport or storage violate a statutory or authorities' prohibition, in particular any export, import or customs law provisions of the countries of origin, destination or transit, or which require special facilities (e.g. for temperature-controlled goods), safety precautions or permits; these include Shipments or goods whose transport is prohibited according to the UPU Acts, and those whose contents legally violate the intellectual property rights of its rightful owner, including counterfeit or unlicensed copies of products (e.g. brand piracy); ▪ Shipments whose content or exterior make-up could injure or infect persons or cause damage to property; ▪ Shipments which contain live animals or human remains; ▪ Shipments containing narcotics, nicotine, nicotine compounds, vapor tor psychotropic substances (Shipments containing electronic cigarettes require DHL eCommerce approval and compliance with applicable requirements); ▪ Non-approved* shipments whose transport and/or storage is subject to dangerous goods regulations; also excluded are all those non-approved* goods which are not completely unrestricted according to the latest IATA and ICAO dangerous goods regulations. In addition, Shippers are required to adhere and comply with DHL eCommerce's ORM-D Policy. The most current version of DHL eCommerce's ORM-D Policy is available here; ▪ Shipments with an actual value of over USD \$2,500; 	

- Shipments containing cash or other means of payment, precious metals, art work, jewelry, watches, precious stones or other articles of value or securities for which, in the event of damage, no stoppage and no cancellation and replacement procedure can be carried out; for the avoidance of doubt the following valuable goods are exempted from this rule: Shipments using the Registered Mail special service, which contain stamps, telephone cards, vouchers for goods and low-value goods in these classes (e.g. fashion jewelry and promotional articles), up to an actual value of 30 Special Drawing Rights of the International Monetary Fund (SDR) per shipment, and individual tickets and entrance tickets;
- Shipments for which no or insufficient postage has been paid and which are posted with the intention of surreptitiously obtaining the transport service without payment of the remuneration payable for it;
- Firearms or parts thereof, ammunition, explosives;
- Explosive, flammable or radioactive materials and non-approved* dangerous goods;
- Shipments that are addressed to natural or legal persons which are enlisted on a sanctions lists which shall be transported to countries for which embargoes are in place;
- Obscene or immoral articles, pornography;
- Other articles the importation or circulation of which is prohibited in the country of destination;
- For Domestic shipments, lithium batteries that are
 - a) packed with equipment but not installed in equipment, and
 - b) without the equipment they operate (individual batteries)are prohibited from being shipped through DHL eCommerce's Expedited network. In addition, Shippers are required to adhere and comply with DHL eCommerce's Battery Shipping Policy.
- For International shipments, lithium batteries that are
 - a) packed with equipment but not installed in equipment,
 - b) without the equipment they operate (individual batteries) or
 - c) damaged or recalled batteries,are prohibited from being shipped through DHL eCommerce's International network. In addition, Shippers are required to adhere and comply with DHL eCommerce's Battery Shipping Policy.
- DHL eCommerce does not agree to carry, and will not accept any liability for liquids unless tendered in the below described manner (as noted in the USPS DMM 601.3.4):
 - a) Shippers are required to mark the outer container of the tendered mailpiece containing liquids to indicate the nature of the contents.
 - b) All shipments containing liquids should be packaged in the following way:
 - i. Use screw-on caps, soldering, clips, or similar means to close the mailpieces containing liquids. Do not use only friction-top closures (push-down types).

- ii. Liquids being shipped in steel pails and drums with positive closures, such as locking rings or recessed spouts under screw-cap closures, may be mailed without additional packaging.
- iii. Glass and other breakable containers of liquid with a capacity of more than 4 fluid ounces must be triple-packaged according to the following requirements:
 - 1) Cushion the primary container with material sufficient to absorb all leakage in case of breakage.
 - 2) Place the primary container inside another sealed, leak proof secondary container, such as a can or plastic bag.
 - 3) Use an outer mailing container that is strong enough to protect the contents.
 - 4) Mailers may use containers certified by the International Safe Transit Association (ISTA) that passed ISTA's Test Procedure 3A. Mailers must provide their ISTA 3A Package-Product Certification Notice at the time of mailing as verification that the mailpieces they are submitting passed the required performance test.
- c) All shipments containing liquids are required to be packaged as to insure safe carriage with ordinary care in handling.

US Import Restricted Goods

1. CBP restrictions by US customs:

CBP has been entrusted with enforcing hundreds of laws for 40 other government agencies, such as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. These agencies require that unsafe items are not allowed to enter the United States. CBP officers are always at ports of entry and assume the responsibility of protecting America from all threats.

- Absinthe (Alcohol)
- Alcoholic beverages
- Automobiles
- Biologicals
- Tableware
- Cuban-made Products
- Cultural Artifacts and Cultural Property
- Defense Articles or Items with Military or Proliferation Applications
- Dog and Cat Fur
- Drug Paraphernalia
- Firearms
- Fish and Wildlife
- Food Products (Prepared)
- Prior Notice for Food Importation
- Fruits and Vegetables
- Game and Hunting Trophies

- Gold
- Haitian Animal Hid Drums
- Medication
- Merchandise from Embargoed Countries
- Pets
- Photographic Film
- Plants and Seeds
- Soil
- Textiles and Clothing
- Trademark and Copyrighted Articles

2. FDA restrictions by US Food & Drug Administration:

The scope of FDA's regulatory authority is very broad. FDA's responsibilities are closely related to those of several other government agencies. Often frustrating and confusing for consumers is determining the appropriate regulatory agency to contact. The following is a list of traditionally-recognized product categories that fall under FDA's regulatory jurisdiction; however, this is not an exhaustive list.

Foods, including:

- dietary supplements
- bottled water
- food additives
- infant formulas
- other food products (although the U.S. Department of Agriculture plays a lead role in regulating aspects of some meat, poultry, and egg products)

Drugs, including:

- prescription drugs (both brand-name and generic)
- non-prescription (over-the-counter) drugs

Biologics, including:

- vaccines
- blood and blood products
- cellular and gene therapy products
- tissue and tissue products
- allergenics

Medical Devices, including:

- simple items like tongue depressors and bedpans
- complex technologies such as heart pacemakers
- dental devices
- surgical implants and prosthetics

Electronic Products that give off radiation, including:

- microwave ovens

- x-ray equipment
- laser products
- ultrasonic therapy equipment
- mercury vapor lamps
- sunlamps

Cosmetics, including:

- color additives found in makeup and other personal care products
- skin moisturizers and cleansers
- nail polish and perfume

Veterinary Products, including:

- livestock feeds
- pet foods
- veterinary drugs and devices

Tobacco Products, including:

- cigarettes
- cigarette tobacco
- roll-your-own tobacco
- smokeless tobacco

3. Restrictions by US Fish & Wildlife Service

- All products made from sea turtles
- All ivory, both Asian and African elephant
- Rhinoceros horn and horn products
- Furs from spotted cats
- Furs and ivory from marine mammals
- Feathers and feather products from wild birds
- Most crocodile and caiman leather
- Most coral, whether in chunks or in jewelry

4. Restrictions by Department of Transport

Before you decide to import a vehicle or vehicle parts into the United States, you should ensure that they conform to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations. So some of auto parts are restricted by EPA and DOT, or need approval before clearing the articles.

For example:

Pieces description as 'Motor Part' and 'Auto Part', which is restricted by DOT. Might need the importer (consignee) complete the HS7 to release those pieces.

Please refer to below web link for those items that will require HS7 form.

<http://www.nhtsa.gov/cars/rules/import/FAQ%20Site/pages/page5.html>
<http://www.nhtsa.gov/cars/rules/import/FAQ%20Site/pages/page3.html>

Commodity description	Materials of product	Usage	Comment		
Motorcycle Indicator	Aluminum	motorcycle lighting	Requires HS7 Form	FMVSS No. 108	Lamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment
Chest Guard Protector	Plastic	Back Chest Protector	Does not require HS7		
led working light	aluminum	car lighting	Requires HS7 Form	FMVSS No. 108	Lamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment
Magnet Fuel Saver Device	Aluminum	air cleaner	Does not require HS7		

5. Restrictions by other government agencies

- *Department of Agriculture* which is tasked with keeping insect and other pests out of the U.S. to the greatest extent possible.
- *Department of Commerce* which collects statistical information about import shipments and compiles trade statistics;
- *Department of Energy* which issues license to import petroleum products
- *Food and Drug Administration* which insures that food and drug conform to certain standards;
- *Consumer Products Safety Commission* which regulates consumer products that the FDA doesn't handle directly;
- *Fish and Wildlife Service* which is interested in non-domesticated animals, and merchandise made from parts of these animals;
- *State Department* which monitors artifacts and cultural property imported from various countries;
- *Department of Transportation, Environmental Protection Agency and the Federal Aviation Administration* which regulate the import of automobiles and certain related equipment;
- *Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms* which issues license and/or permits to import alcoholic beverages of all kinds, firearms, and other weaponry, and tobacco products.
- *Foreign Assets Control* which issues licenses to import products that would otherwise be prohibited (Cuban cigars, Iranian carpets);
- *Federal Trade Commission* which regulates the importation of textiles, fur, articles, and apparel.
- *Federal Communications Commission* which regulates the importations of radios and certain articles emitting radio frequencies.

Miscellaneous Restrictions Rules

1. The additional restriction information which is advised by broker during daily working:

- Sunglasses --- Need Drop Ball test Certificate
- Nail polish & gel--- Broker can handle. (Cosmetics under \$800 should be fine)
- Life jackets--- Must be USCG (United States Coast Guard) approved. And need to check with the manufacturer to see if they have a 3 digit MIC (manufacturer identification code) on file with USCG.
- E-cigarette
- Needle for Chinese medication (针)
- Watch leather strap
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PRODUCT INFORMATION



PRODUCT PARAMETERS

Brand Name : Hisea
Product Name : life vest
Color : gray
Fabric : Neoprene
Filler : import buoyancy cotton
Use range : swimming/water
skiing/motoboot/surf/sailboat
/drifting/survival and so on.

2. Country of Origin Marking statement

Inbound US shipment need country of Origin markings, COO requirements is very strict in the U.S.

The marking statute, section 304, Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1304), provides that, unless excepted, every article of foreign origin (or its container) imported into the U.S. shall be marked in a conspicuous place as legibly, indelibly and permanently as the nature of the article (or its container) will permit, in such a manner as to indicate to the ultimate purchaser in the U.S. the English name of the country of origin of the article.

Part 134, Customs Regulations (19 CFR Part 134), implements the country of origin marking requirements and exceptions of 19 U.S.C. 1304. Section 134.41(b), Customs Regulations (19 CFR 134.41(b)), mandates that the ultimate purchaser in the U.S. must be able to find the marking easily and read it without strain”

Prohibited & Restricted Reference link

1. <https://www.cbp.gov/travel/us-citizens/know-before-you-go/prohibited-and-restricted-items>
2. <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/Transparency/Basics/ucm194879.htm>
3. <https://www.fws.gov/>
4. http://www.dhl-usa.com/en/ecommerce/resource_center/helpful_information/unacceptable_shipments.html