

Bulletin n°1
Customs, Importation and Quarantine Procedures

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IMPORTANT NOTE

Please remember that you **MUST** be **COMPLIANT** at all times and respect the **RULES** and **PROCEDURES** of the affected country.
The information mentioned in this bulletin comes from **OFFICIAL SOURCES**.

COUNTRY BRIEF

On the 6th of February at close to 4:17 am, a 7.8 degrees magnitude earthquake struck southern Turkey near Syria's northern border.

OFFICIAL TEXT

Turkish Customs law n° 4458

- AFAD is assigned in Türkiye as having the sole authority for relief imports. So, AFAD should be indicated as the consignee in the relevant forms accompanying any consignment - <https://en.afad.gov.tr>
- Customs clearance procedures for entry into free circulation will be carried out by AFAD once the consignments are delivered to them in the point of entry.
- In order to ensure regular coordination by the relevant ministries, humanitarian aid goods should be sent to one of the following institutions/organizations:
 - AFAD (T.C. İçişleri Bakanlığı Afet ve Acil Durum Yönetim Başkanlığı)
 - Ankara Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı
 - Şanlıurfa Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı
 - Kahramanmaraş Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı
 - Adıyaman Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı
 - Adana Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı
 - Hatay Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı
 - Diyarbakır Sosyal Yardımlaşma ve Dayanışma Vakfı

- Please remember that the **consignee MUST be clearly indicated**. In no case can the consignment be "People of Turkey" as no one will have the capacity to distribute the goods on arrival and this creates additional bottlenecks at the entry points. If you do not have a consignee in country, you should contact AFAD or use the list above.
- The consignment has to be accompanied by the AWB / BL and the list of articles (please use the template – annex 1). This “check list” has to correspond to the exact content of the freight.
- **Imports of food and medicines** should be accompanied by relevant SPS documents attesting their compliance with safety standards obtained from the country of origin or the relevant Ministries in Türkiye.
- No customs duty will be applied.

Official text - Relief from Customs duties

Article 105 of the “Resolution on Application of Certain Articles of Customs Law Number 4458” attached to Council of Ministers Resolution number 2009/15481 set conditions regarding relief from customs duties for goods sent to the people harmed in times of crisis.

According to the Article, goods imported by public institutions and organizations, associations working for the public interest and foundations granted tax exemption by the Council of Ministers are exempted from customs duties; if they are aimed to be distributed free of charge to people who are harmed in crisis situations or to be offered for free to those who suffer from crisis situations provided that they remain as the property of these institutions. Additionally, goods imported by charities to meet their needs during the crisis are also exempted in the scope of this article.

Customs procedures of the goods mentioned above are carried out according to the article 35-37 of the Customs Exemptions Communiqué No:2.

Regarding implementation of this legislation, upon an official notification detailing the import by the importing institution to General Directorate of Customs of the Ministry of Trade, the related customs office is informed immediately about the transaction and customs procedures are conducted in a preferential way in order not to cause any delay.

- Currently there are 10 warehouses functioning in full capacity where the trucks can unload in Edirne.
- **For land transportation** coming from Europe:

Turkey is in the customs union with UE but formalities remain with the establishment of transit documents (T 1 under the Common Transit Convention or, more rarely, TIR under the Convention of the same name). To qualify for duty relief, the export office must endorse an ART 1 certificate.

Türkiye-Greece border İpsala customs port (contact point Mr Osman Demirkol +90 542 6349440)

Türkiye- Bulgaria border Kapıkule customs port (Contact point Mr Günay Mutlu +90 5556285592)

Türkiye-Bulgaria border Hamzabeyli customs port (contact point Mr. Salim Bayram +90 555 511 8807)

Mr. Nihat Kınık (Trace Region Trade and Customs Director) can be contacted from +90 533 92 44 04.

Importation of foreign currency

Any person can bring in or out up to USD 10,000 or its equivalent in any other foreign currency-denominated monetary bearer instruments without making a writing declaration and accomplishing the Foreign Currency Declaration Form.

In excess of USD 10,000 or its equivalent, the person is required to make a written declaration in the Custom Baggage declaration Form upon arrival and accomplish the Foreign Currency Declaration Form which may be obtained at the Customs Arrival or Departure Area.

Departing passengers has to declare foreign currency whatever's they carry. Only on arrival bringing into more than USD 10 K or equivalent needs to declared in arrival at airport.

Useful links

[Earthquake - Türkiye/Syria | Logistics Cluster Website \(logcluster.org\)](#)

IMPACCT (Importation and Customs Clearance Together!): [IMPACCT Working Group: Cross-border movement of humanitarian relief consignments \(unocha.org\)](#)

[Türkiye/Syria: Earthquakes - Feb 2023 | ReliefWeb](#)

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KRİZ HALİNDE ZARAR GÖRENLERE GÖNDERİLEN EŞYAYA AİT LİSTE

(Google translate: List of goods sent in case of crisis)

VASITA İLE İLGİLİ BİLGİLER	GELEN YÜK İLE İLGİLİ BİLGİLER Information about incoming load (Google translate)		
Kamyon ise Ülkesi, Plakası; Gemi ise Adı ve Acentesi; Uçak ise Sefer Sayısı	EŞYANIN		
	Cins ve nevi	Adedi	Ağırlığı

Annex 2 – List of needed goods

Clothes (ADULT AND KIDS)

Coat-jacket

raincoat

boots

pullover

trousers

gloves

scarf

hat

socks

underwear

OTHER MATERIAL

tent

matress

bed (inside tent)

blanket

sleeping bag

catalytic stove, heater

scuba

Thermos

torch

Powerbank

Generator

Food parcel (durable food – canned / preserved)

Baby food / Formula

Baby wipes

Hygienic pads for women

Sanitary and hygiene material (toilet paper / wipes, etc)

IŞIKLI FIELD HOSPITAL INVENTORY		
S.NO	TYPE OF MATERIAL	TOTAL
1	2 DOOR CABINET	2
2	30-32 KEY	2
3	CABINET WITH 4 DOORS AND 2 DRAWERS	6
4	EMERGENCY SUTURES DRESSING SET	10
5	ADSL MODEM	1
6	WOODEN DOUBLE DOOR CABINET	1
7	PLASTER CUTTING MOTOR	1
8	OPERATING TABLE	2
9	OPERATING ROOM LIGHT	4
10	OPERATING ROOM CHARGING DEVICE	4
11	ANESTHESIA DEVICE	3
12	HANGING	1
13	ASPIRATOR	1
14	THERMOMETHER	3
15	SHOE SLIPPER CABINET	2
16	FOOTSTEP	1
17	IRON TABLE WITH LEGS	3

18	FREESTANDING BATHTUB	2
19	FREE-STANDING LAMP	5
20	FREE STANDING IV POLE	5
21	PEDESTAL STOOL	4
22	FREESTANDING WASH TUB	2
23	ADJUSTABLE PATIENT STRETCHER	4
24	BARCODE DEVICE	10
25	STEP	2
26	BATTERY CHARGER	2
27	BENMARI	1
28	BRAIN SURGERY ENGINE SET	2
29	BISTURY HANDLE	4
30	BISTURY HANDLE	1
31	BIOCHEMISTRY	2
32	EMPTY CONTAINER	4
33	BRENDA STRETCHER	1
34	REFRIGERATOR	3
35	GLASS CABINET WITH 3 DOORS	1
36	CD ROBOT	1
37	SURGICAL ASPIRATOR	1
38	WASHING MACHINE	3
39	GUARD TENT	3
40	MULTI-PURPOSE PRINTER	1
41	TRASH BIN	20
42	DEFIBRILATOR	9
43	IRON DOUBLE DOOR CABINET	2
44	IRON TABLE	8
45	DEEP FREEZER	2
46	CAMEL NECK	26
47	TISSUE SCISSOR	4
48	SWIVEL CHAIR (WITH WHEELS)	2
49	SWIVEL CHAIR (WITHOUT WHEELS)	3
50	WALL TYPE AIR CONDITIONER	8
51	EKG DEVICE DESK	1
52	EKG DEVICE	3
53	WHEELBARROW	1
54	HAND RADIO	2
55	HAND WASHING UNIT	3
56	SHELVES	31
57	DOMESTIC WASTE	5
58	GENERAL SURGERY Abdominal SET	1
59	GENERAL SURGERY RETRACTOR SET	1
60	GENERAL SURGERY KIT	6
61	GLICOMETER	4
62	POWER SOURCE	11
63	PATIENT MONITOR	16
64	PATIENT BED	25
65	HEMOGRAM	2
66	HEMOCONTROL DEVICE	1
67	NURSE DESK TABLE	2

68	HUMIDITY CHART	1
69	REZISTANCE	8
70	URINE DEVICE	1
71	URINE CENTRIFUGE	1
72	MEDICINE TROLLEY	4
73	INFUSION PUMP	7
74	INCUBATION	1
75	INTERNET FIBER PANEL	1
76	YARN SCISSOR	3
77	WORK STATION	1
78	GENERATOR 110 KWA	1
79	GENERATOR 165KWA	1
80	GENERATOR 35KWA LIGHT TOWER	1
81	GENERATOR 56KWA	2
82	HEAD LAMP	2
83	BLOOD COLLECTION STRETCHER	2
84	BLOOD CABINET	2
85	BLOOD GAS DEVICE	2
86	BLOOD MIXER DEVICE	1
87	BLOOD CARRYING BAG	4
88	SOFA	2
89	BLOOD GAS PRINTER DEVICE	1
90	CARTRIDGE SEALING DEVICE	1
91	CASE	10
92	KEYBOARD	11
93	KLEMP	9
94	COAGULATION DEVICE	1
95	COMBINATION STRETCHER	1
96	COMBINATION STRETCHER	1
97	COTER DEVICE	2
98	CRANIOTOMY SET	2
99	LEAD NECK COLLAR	1
100	LEAD GLASSES	2
101	LEAD APRON	1
102	LEAD APRON (FULL BODY)	2
103	DRYING MACHINE	1
104	BLUNT TRAUMA SCISSORS	4
105	KVC ENGINE SET	1
106	KVC SET	3
107	LAPTOP	5
108	LARYNGOSCOPE	10
109	LIGASURE + TABLE	1
110	MAGIP PENS	3
111	TABLE	17
112	MAUSE	16
113	SWIMSUIT TABLE	4
114	MECHANICAL VENTILATOR	11
115	METAL SINK	1
117	MICROWAVE OVEN	1
118	MICROSCOPE	1

119	MINI REFRIGERATOR	3
120	MONITOR	14
121	MONITOR STAND	4
122	MOUSE	1
123	N2O TUBE	3
124	NEBULIZER	3
125	NARCOTIC CABINET	1
126	O2 TUBE	13
127	O2 CYLINDER TROLLEY	4
128	OFFICE CHAIR	4
129	OFFICE CHAIR	1
130	OFFICE CHAIR	1
131	OFFICE CHAIR	1
132	Ophthalmoscope	8
133	OXYGEN CONDENSER	7
134	ORTHOPEDIC MOTOR SET	1
135	ORTHOPEDY SET	6
136	AUTOCLAV	1
137	AUTOMATION CABINET	1
138	AUTOMATIC PIPETTE	3
139	AUTOMATIC TOURNIQUET MACHINE	1
140	STOOL WITH SEAT	1
141	PACKING MACHINE	1
142	PARAVAN	8
143	PAX CABINET	1
144	PENSET	12
145	PLASTIC CHAIR	17
146	PLASTIC WATER TANK	2
147	PUMP INJECTOR	1
148	PUMP INJECTOR + OUTDOOR UNIT	1
149	PORTABLE HEATER	2
150	PORTABLE ULTRASOUND	1
151	PORTEGU	7
152	PULSE OXYMETER	2
153	SHELF	4
154	4-DOOR CABINET WITH RAIL	1
155	REFLEX HAMMER	1
156	X-RAY DEVICE	1
157	X-RAY TABLE	1
158	FIXED RADIO	1
159	HALL TYPE AIR CONDITIONER	11
160	PRINTER	1
161	CHAIR	10
162	CENTRIFUGAL	2
163	TABLE	4
164	SEHPA JEL KART	1
165	TEA-URN	1
166	SERUM HANGER	37
167	FLY KILLER	1
168	STERILIZATION TROMEL	3

169	STERNUM CHEST SURGERY SET	1
170	STERNUM MOTOR SET	1
171	WATER DISPENSER	1
172	WATER PURIFIER	1
173	INFLATABLE SPLINT SET	4
174	WOODEN X-RAY SCREEN	1
175	BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR	7
176	SCANNER	1
177	TREATMENT TROLLEY	11
178	TABLE WITH ONE DRAWER	1
179	WHEELCHAIR	3
180	WHEELED STRETCHER	1
181	WHEELED WALKER	1
182	BOX WITH WHEELS	3
183	TELEVISION	3
184	WIRELESS MICROPHONE SET	2
185	RADIO COOLER	1
186	NON-CONTACT THERMOMETER	4
187	THERMOMETER	1
188	STAND	2
189	MEDICAL WASTE BUCKET	11
190	THYROID PROTECTIVE LEAD	2
191	TISSEEL	1
192	CT DEVICE CASE	1
193	CT POWER UNIT	1
194	CT SPEAKER	1
195	CT KEYBOARD	1
196	CT MAUSE	1
197	CT MICROPHONE	2
198	CT MONITOR	1
199	CT DEVICE	1
200	TOST MACHINE	1
201	TRACOTOMY SET	2
202	TUBE TROLLEY	1
203	ULTRASOUND DEVICE	1
204	SATELLITE PHONE	1
205	VACUUM SPIN	1
206	VACUUM SPIN SET	2
207	VENTILATOR STAND	4
208	OIL FILLED RADIATOR (HEATER)	1
209	FIRE EXTINGUISHER	20
210	BURNS FIRST AID KIT	4
211	WRITING BOARD	1
212	PRINTER	6
213	NEW TYPE EQUIPPED UMKE BAG	6
214	RING CUTTING SCISSORS	1
215	PLASTIC GENERATOR FUEL TANK	2