Ghana (GH)

Amounts shown are expressed in Ghana Cedi (GHS)

0. General Information

- IATA Area : 2
- Capital : Accra (ACC)
- Local Time : GMT
- Daylight Saving Time : Ghana does not observe DST.
- ☎ Country Code : + 233
- Local Currency : Ghana Cedi (GHS)
- Bank Information : Open on Saturday from 09.00 - 14.00 hrs. Closed on Sunday.
- Public Holidays :

Date
01 Jan 2015
06 Mar 2015
03 Apr 2015
06 Apr 2015
01 May 2015
25 May 2015
01 Jul 2015
18 Jul 2015
23 Sep 2015
04 Dec 2015
25 Dec 2015

- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols/Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Hague Protocol
  3. Montreal Protocol MP4 (1975)

  For further details, explanation and how to apply these Protocols/Conventions see paragraph 2.1.5. (General Rules) including list of countries.

1. Airport Information

1.1. Customs Airports

- **Accra - ACC (K.I.A)**
  Tel.: +233 (0)302 776171 (Ghana Airports Company)
  Ext: 1351
  +233 (0)302 778025 (Aviance-Ghana - Cargo)
  +233 (0)302 778695 (Aviance-Ghana - Cargo)
  +233 (0)302 771975/6 (Aviance-Ghana - Cargo)
  +233 (0)302 762922/3 (Customs - Cargo Terminal)
  Fax: +233 (0)302 778690
  E-mail: imports@aviance-ghana.com
  Website: www.aviance-ghana.com
  SITA: ACCOOXH

1.2. Airport Facilities

1.2.2. Storage
In Customs Warehouse for the first 4 days following the day of arrival (excl. Sundays and public holidays). Thereafter uncleared goods are transferred to the State Warehouse after 90 days. Safe for valuables: Strong room available.

1.2.3. Clearance
At the airport, consignee's agent under Ghana Institute of Freight Forwarders (GIFF).

1.2.4. Customs hours
Monday through Friday 08.00 - 12.30 hrs. and 14.00 - 17.00 hrs., Saturday (Weekend half-day service) 09.00 - 14.00 hrs. Clearance outside Customs hours possible for live animals, newspapers and press photos, plants and plant material, perishables.
Clearance of diplomatic pouches on permit or on application.

2. Import

2.1. General

2.1.2. Marking
Packages must show true country of origin and airport of destination.

2.1.3. Routing
Consignments to Kumasi and Tamale/Takoradi/Sunyani must be consigned to Accra only.

2.1.4. Language on documents
English.

2.2. Documentary Requirements

2.2.1. Commercial consignments

- 3 combined Certificates of Value and Invoice of Goods for importation into Ghana.
- Special Import Licence in some cases.
- Import Declaration Form (IDF) must be presented for all commercial goods before clearance can be effected.
- Importer MUST posses a valid (TIN) Tax Identification Number.

2.2.2. Sample consignments
3 combined Certificates of Value and Invoice of Goods for importation into Ghana.
One sample of each type or variety of goods is allowed on payment of the appropriate duty.

2.2.3. Gift consignments
2 combined Certificates of Value and Invoice of Goods for importation into Ghana. Gifts may be imported without Import Licence only when they are bona fide unsolicited gifts not for sale, are clearly marked as gift, and do not exceed 22 lbs. (gross).

2.2.4. Unaccompanied baggage
If sent in advance or left behind and to follow within two months after passenger's arrival: passenger must, on arrival, complete a Declaration on Form C 48 (Passenger unaccompanied baggage declaration) in order to enjoy duty free concession on arrival of the baggage.

2.3. Restrictions

2.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate issued within 10 days prior to departure. Examination on arrival. A quarantine period may be imposed. Prior notice of arrival must be given to the Director of Veterinary Service, Accra.
Cats and Dogs:
Additional Certificate stating that they come from an area that has been free from rabies for the 6 months prior to departure.
Poultry: Additional Import Licence issued in advance by the Director of Veterinary Service. Health Certificate.

2.3.3. Plants and plant material
Health Certificate.

2.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Prior to shipment the station of destination in Ghana must be advised of intended date of despatch, consignee's name and address, value and AWB number, 3 combined Certificates of Value and Invoice must accompany the advice so that correct assessment of duty can be made. Station of destination will contact consignee for Import Licence and Withdrawal Certificate and at the time collect any duty levied. After confirmation of station of destination to airport of departure goods can be shipped.
Prohibited: Air guns.

2.3.6. Human remains

- Certificate that the remains have been wrapped into cloth winding sheets saturated with a solution of eight parts of commercial formalin and ninety-two parts of water, and placed in a hermetically sealed casket.
- Medical Certificate stating that there is no objection on health grounds to exportation to Ghana and showing name, age and nationality, date, place and cause of death.
- A certified copy of the entry in the Register of Death in country of origin.

2.4. Prohibitions

- Coin- and key duplicating machines except under Licence of the Secretary for Ministry of Interior; counterfeit money; diamonds; gold dust; obscene prints and photographs; opium; air guns.
- Textiles: Textiles and textile articles, other than raw material (e.g. yarns) and industrial materials (e.g. mattress covers, upholstery).

2.5. Charges

2.5.2. Handling

0 - 110 kg. .....USD 20.00
Plus for every additional kg. .....USD 0.15

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2.5.3. Clearance

Personal effects

1 - 20 kg.	USD	17.00
21 - 40 kg.	USD	20.00
41 - 50 kg.	USD	22.00
51 - 60 kg.	USD	26.00
61 - 100 kg.	USD	29.00
101 - 150 kg.	USD	41.00
151 - 200 kg.	USD	44.00
201 - 300 kg.	USD	46.00
301 - 400 kg.	USD	49.00
401 - 500 kg.	USD	53.00
Plus for every additional kg.	USD	0.07

Commercial Goods

1 - 20 kg.	USD	22.00
21 - 40 kg.	USD	24.00
41 - 50 kg.	USD	28.00
51 - 60 kg.	USD	31.00
61 - 100 kg.	USD	35.00
101 - 150 kg.	USD	49.00
151 - 200 kg.	USD	52.00
201 - 300 kg.	USD	60.00
301 - 400 kg.	USD	65.00
401 - 500 kg.	USD	73.00
Plus for every additional kg.	USD	0.07

- Rate of between 10% and 20% interest will be charged when Customs duty is paid by the agent. (negotiable)
- Special Handling fee, for warehouse goods, per kg. for every kg. over 500 kg. ..... USD 0.20
  Minimum charge, per consignment ..... USD 10.00
- Human remains, flat fee ..... USD 30.00
- Customs Express Service Fee, per consignment ..... USD 15.00

Note:
All charges can be converted into GHS.

2.5.4. Documentation

- Air Waybill fee ..... USD 10.00
- Amendment of Air Waybill in Ghana at shipper/agent request ..... USD 20.00

2.5.10. Others

Dangerous goods checking fee, per consignment ..... USD 25.00

3. Transhipment/transit

3.2. Documentary Requirements

An AWB and Invoice are required for each consignment. If the value is more than USD 5000.00 SGS (Societe Generale du Surveillance) Certificate from manufacturer to be produced.
Import Declaration Form to be obtained locally.
In the event the transaction is through a bank, Form A1 from the Bankers is required.
Transit by road:
A Bond must be produced to cover goods. In absence of a Bond, a deposit, to be determined by Customs, must be lodged.
Bond entry charges will be determined by weight of the consignment.

3.5. Charges

3.5.6. Storage

First 8 days		free
Subsequent days, per kg., per day	USD	0.07

4. Export

4.5. Charges

4.5.2. Handling

1 - 200 kg.	USD	12.00
201 kg. and above, per kg.	USD	0.60

4.5.4. Documentation

- Air Waybill fee ..... USD 12.00
- Amendment of Air Waybill in Ghana at shipper/agent request ..... USD 20.00

4.5.6. Storage

Aviance-Ghana Charges Terminal Bond:
Aviance-Ghana Terminal Bond, per kg. ..... USD 0.05

4.5.10. Others

Dangerous goods checking fee, per consignment ..... USD 25.00

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