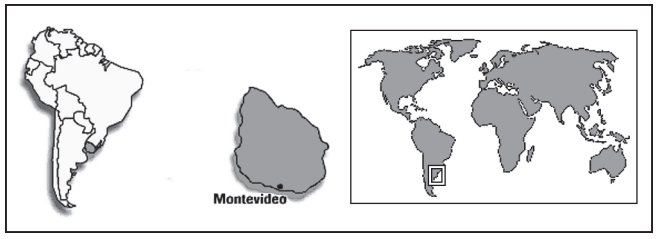
Uruguay (UY)
Amounts shown are expressed in United States Dollar (USD)



0. General Information

- IATA Area : 1
- Capital : Montevideo (MVD)
- Local Time : GMT - 3
- Daylight Saving Time : GMT - 2: Starts on the 1st Sunday in October and ends on the 2nd Sunday in March.
- ☎ Country Code : + 598
- Local Currency : Peso Uruguayo (UYU)
- Bank Information : Closed on Saturday and Sunday.
- Public Holidays :

Date
01 Jan 2015
06 Jan 2015
16 Feb 2015
17 Feb 2015
02 Apr 2015
03 Apr 2015
19 Apr 2015
18 May 2015
19 Jun 2015
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25 Aug 2015
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25 Dec 2015

- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols / Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Montreal Convention MC99 (1999)

  For further details, explanation and how to apply these Protocols / Conventions see paragraph 2.1.5. (General Rules) including list of countries.
- **E-freight and e-AWB status of airports**
  For e-freight and e-AWB implementation status of airports please refer to chapter 6.4.

1. Airport Information

1.1. Customs Airports

- **Montevideo - MVD**
  Tel.: +598 2 604 0263 (int 215)
  Fax: +598 2 604 0263 (int 205)
  Website: www.aduanas.gub.uy
  Telex: 22281
  SITA: SUMUCAR

1.2. Airport Facilities
Working hours of the Department of Rural Affairs & Agriculture, Animals Health Airport Division from Monday through Friday are from 08.00 - 15.00 hrs. Services outside these hours and on Saturday, Sunday and public holidays possible on request at an extra charge of USD 215.00 and on business days / holidays from 00.00 - 08.00 hrs. USD 285.00 (Exchange 1 USD - UYU 24).

1.2.1. Loading/Unloading equipment
Available for all cargo and passenger aircraft.

1.2.2. Storage
At Terminal de Cargas Uruguay (TCU S.A.) private warehouse (www.tcu.com.uy)
Cold storage: Available
Safe for valuables: Available
Room for radioactive material: Available

1.2.3. Clearance
At the airport by customs broker.

1.2.4. Customs hours
On working days 09.00 - 17.00 hrs.
Clearance outside Customs hours possible with special permit.

1.2.5. Delivery
During office hours.

1.2.6. (Re)-Forwarding
Possible by any means.

2. Import

2.1. General

2.1.1. Packing
Consignments must be safely packed, according valid regulations. For valuable consignments, it is recommendable to seal with steel bands or bailing wire so as to make it impossible to open the parcel without breaking the seal. Non-compliance will result in delay of delivery.

2.1.2. Marking
Consignments must be marked according requirements and valid cargo handling regulations. Shipper should contact Consulate.

2.1.4. Language on Documents
Preferably Spanish, other languages accepted with translation.

2.1.5. Other requirements
AWB: To facilitate clearance it is advised to insert “NVD” in both “Shipper’s Declared Value for Customs” and “for Carriage” boxes, unless either carrier’s regulations, shipper’s instruction or customs regulations prescribe that a declared value is inserted. When addressed to a bank in Montevideo name and complete address of ultimate consignee must be mentioned in “Also notify” box. If intended for temporary admission AWB and Commercial Invoices must be marked: “En admision temporaria”.

Note:
The P.O. Box number must also be mentioned on the AWB, as no house to house postal delivery exists in Uruguay.

2.2. Documentary Requirements
Customs in Uruguay require the following items in one envelope:
- Copy of Master AWB.
- Copy of House AWB, when applicable.
- Copy of manifest and housemanifest, when applicable.

This procedure is compulsory.

2.2.1. Commercial consignments
- 5 Commercial Invoices signed by the shipper, must accompany the consignment attached to the AWB, and must show the following signed declaration “DECLARAMOS BAJO JURAMENTO QUE LAS MERCADERIAS MENCIONADAS EN ESTA FACTURA SON DE ORIGEN (Country of origin) ....”.

  Note:
  If the value (FOB) is more than USD 0.50, a Certificate of Origin legalized by the Uruguayan Consulate is necessary. In countries where there is no Uruguayan Consulate, shipper must send 5 Commercial Invoices in Spanish or with attached translation, visaed by local Chamber of Commerce or by Customs Authorities of the Country of Origin.
- Import Licence: Consignee must obtain Import Permit before shipments departure from country of origin, for all imports exceeding USD 50.00 FOB in value, except as noted below. Shippers must be warned to make sure that this requirement has been duly complied with and the following note must be shown on all documents: “PERMISO DE IMPORTACION Nro....”.

  Exception
  The Import Permit is not required for the following shipments: if consigned directly to the Uruguayan Government Depts., Branches or Agencies; personal effects; household goods USED ONLY; Newspapers and Magazines regardless of value; live plants for personal use; cats, dogs and birds; commodities not imported for resale or commercial purposes.
- Certificate of Origin: needed for goods proceeding from countries that are members of ALALC (Latin American Free Trade Association) and/or GATT.

2.2.2. Sample consignments
NVD must be inserted in the “For Carriage” box of the AWB. Only one Commercial Invoice is required, the following remark must appear on all documents including the AWB: “MUESTRA SIN VALOR COMERCIAL”.

2.2.3. Gift consignments
Are treated as regular shipments.

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2.2.4. Unaccompanied baggage
Is treated as ordinary cargo. Baggage containing only used personal belongings need no documents. NVD must be inserted in the For Carriage box of the AWB. Insurance protection if any, required by passenger (or shipper), must be secured by himself from outside source and no insurance amount must under any circumstances appear in the AWB. Failure to adhere to these requirements will subject the shipper to exchange control restrictions and possible Customs Duties.
It is advisable to have the baggage sealed with steel bands and baggage must arrive locked in view of security.

2.3. Restrictions
2.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate legalized by Consulate.
Dogs and cats: Health Certificate issued within 10 days before shipment showing type, number, origin and stating that no rabies has occurred in area of origin for at least 6 months.
Failure of this document results in vaccination and quarantine for at least 6 months for owner's account. The animals must be identified by tattoo marks or a chip or by photographs. It is required that all documents are legalized at origin if there is a Consulate.
Prohibited: Birds from any part of the world; dogs and cats from any rabies infected zone or originating from or transhipped in Argentina; baby chicks.
There are restrictions according to the origin of the animal. It is necessary to consult Consulate or Carrier on each particular case.
2.3.3. Plants and plant material
Phytosanitary Certificate legalized by Consulate.
There are restrictions according to the origin of the plant. It is necessary to consult Consulate or Carrier on each particular case.
2.3.5. Narcotics and drugs
Importation only for medical and scientific purposes by institutions authorized by Ministry of Health.
2.3.6. Human remains
There are not any variations, except a death certificate stamped by the Uruguayan consulate in country of origin is required.
2.3.7. Pharmaceutical and chemical products
Pharmaceutical products, insecticides and fungicides: special prescriptions for marking and labelling. These articles must be registered previously.

2.4. Prohibitions
Hatching eggs; pork meat, except when canned.
See also 2.3.2.

2.5. Charges
2.5.1. General
A new Free-Port law applies to this airport since Nov2008. Special "tailored" rates may be agreed with TCU S.A. (warehouse operator), especially for transit operations. The warehouse operator works as a HUB (Distribution Center for the South American Region). Tax benefits also apply.
2.5.6. Storage
Fixed charges per AWB:

First 5 days	7.41
From 6th day and up	11.53
Variable charges per weight and permanence	
Up to 300 kg., per day, per kg	0.016
More than 300 kg., per day, per kg	0.024

Variable charges per V.N.A. (= Declared Value for Customs) and permanence:

Every 5 days	0.17% additional

3. Transhipment/Transit
3.1. General
Transfer Air/Air, Air/Road or Road/Air may be done inmediately with simplified paperless procedudes.
No formal customs authorization is required in transit operations performed inside the airport (even in partialization and/or re-labeling procedures)

3.4. Prohibitions
Parrots, except if remaining on board the aircraft.
Arms, ammunition and drugs.

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