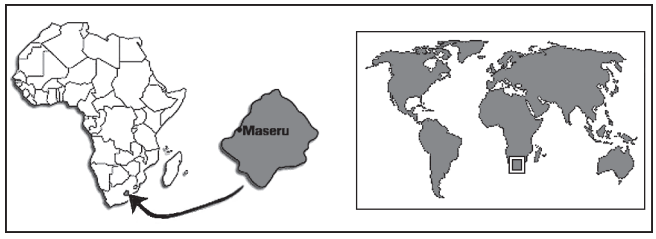
Lesotho (LS)
Amounts shown are expressed in Loti (LSL)



0. General Information

- IATA Area : 2
- Capital : Maseru (MSU)
- Local Time : GMT + 2
- Daylight Saving Time : Lesotho does not observe DST.
- ☎ Country Code : + 266
- Local Currency : Loti (LSL)
- Bank Information : Open on Saturday from 08.30 - 11.00 hrs. Closed on Sunday.
- Public Holidays :

Date
01 Jan 2015
11 Mar 2015
03 Apr 2015
06 Apr 2015
01 May 2015
14 May 2015
25 May 2015
17 Jul 2015
04 Oct 2015
25 Dec 2015
26 Dec 2015

- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols / Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Hague Protocol (1955)

  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
Maseru - MSU.

1.2. Airport Facilities
1.2.2. Storage
a. Cold Storage (fridge and/or freezer): Available
b. Safe for Valuables: Available
c. Dangerous Goods facility: Available
d. Animal Hostel: Not available
1.2.3. Clearance
At the airport by the consignee or clearing agent.
Uncleared goods will be auctioned by Customs not after a specific period of time, but when decided by Management.
1.2.4. Customs hours
a. Import cargo: Weekdays 08.30 - 16.30 hrs., Weekends 09.00 - 16.00 hrs..
b. Export cargo: Weekdays 08.30 - 16.30 hrs., Weekends 09.00 - 16.00 hrs.

2. Import

2.1. General
Customs requirements for import cargo regarding packing, marking routing, language on documents and other requirements, see below:
2.1.1. Packing
Documents are required.
2.1.2. Marking
The exact weight and airport of destination must be clearly indicated on the outer package.
2.1.3. Routing
Should be clearly visible.
2.1.4. Language on Documents
English and Sesotho.
2.1.5. Other requirements
Measures and weights: No special requirements

2.2. Documentary Requirements
2.2.1. Commercial consignments
Air Waybill.
2.2.2. Sample consignments
It must be indicated that they are samples and their values must be indicated on the Air Waybill however, no payment is required for such.
2.2.3. Gift consignments
The value of the Goods (gifts) must be indicated and duties are charged.
2.2.4. Unaccompanied baggage
Air Waybill with all the necessary information for clearance.

2.3. Restrictions
2.3.2. Live animals
live animals may be imported or exported. Import or Export permit required.
2.3.3. Plants and plant material
Permit required from the Ministry of Agriculture
2.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Permit required.
2.3.5. Narcotics and drugs
Permit required from the Ministry of Health
2.3.6. Human remains
Clearly marked.
2.3.8. Medicines and vaccines
Permit required from the Ministry of Health.
2.3.15. Others Dangerous goods:
Permit and Air Waybill needed and payment is effected thereof.
Contact details:
a. Directorate of Animal Health - 09266 2231 7284
b. Department of Agriculture - 09266 2231 7284

2.4. Prohibitions
The following items cannot be imported or exported:
Flora and Fauna, Dangerous spices, Drugs, Pornography.

2.5. Charges
The charges vary according to each clearing agent.
The below charges are from DHL
2.5.1. General

a.	Customs clearance	1850.00
b.	Import documentation, Included in customs clearance charge	
c.	Export documentation	550.00
d.	Transshipments	550.00
e.	Quarantine charges	1500.00
f.	Issuance of Veterinary Import permits	250.00
g.	Other charges applicable, Hand over fee	250.00

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