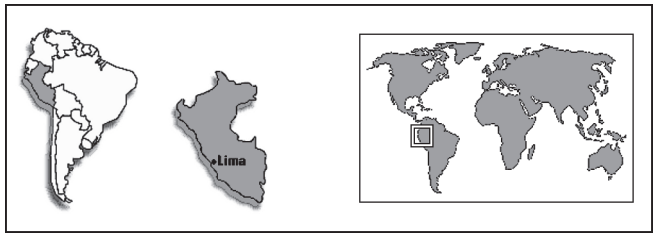
Peru (PE)

Amounts shown are expressed in United States Dollar (USD)



0. General Information

- IATA Area : 1
- Capital : Lima (LIM)
- Local Time : GMT - 5
- Daylight Saving Time : Peru does not observe DST.
- ☎ Country Code : + 51
- Local Currency : Nuevo Sol (PEN)
- Bank Information : Most banks closed on Saturday afternoon (as from 13.00 hrs.) and Sunday.
- Public Holidays :

Date	Special Information
01 Jan 2015	
02 Apr 2015	
03 Apr 2015	
01 May 2015	
29 Jun 2015	
28 Jul 2015	
29 Jul 2015	
30 Aug 2015	
08 Oct 2015	
01 Nov 2015	
08 Dec 2015	
24 Dec 2015	Half day only.
25 Dec 2015	
31 Dec 2015	Half day only.

- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols / Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Hague Protocol (1955)
  3. 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
Arequipa - AQP, Chiclayo - CIX, Cuzco - CUZ, Iquitos - IQT, Lima - LIM, Tacna - TCQ, Talara - TYL, Trujillo - TRU, Tumbes - TBP.

1.2. Airport Facilities
Lima
1.2.2. Storage
Uncleared goods will be stored at Customs Airport Store at cargo terminal M-Talma (Menzies-Talma), Swissport, Shohin and Alsa
Time limit 30 labour days.
Cold storage: Available.
Safe for valuables: Available.
Room for radio-active material: Not available.
1.2.3. Clearance
At the bounded cargo terminals.
1.2.4. Customs hours
Monday through Friday 08.00 - 16.00 hrs., on Saturday 08.30 - 15.00 hrs. for clearing usual paperwork, export/import, etc. Clearance outside Customs hours possible only in very exceptional cases, provided permission has been obtained within normal office hours by presenting a copy of the AWB and bank-bail.
1.2.5. Delivery
Only at the bounded cargo terminals.
1.2.6. (Re)-Forwarding
Depends of the carrier's conditions.

2. Import

2.1. General

1. **Definitive Import of Goods**
   Importation is a schedule through which CUSTOMS authorizes the legal entry of goods from abroad, destined for use or consumption in the country.

2. **Importation of Samples of No Commercial Value**
   Samples of no commercial value are goods that are used only for showing the characteristics of the product and have no commercial value in themselves, and must not be sold in the country.

   For products that are sold by measurement of length, the samples must not exceed 30 cm.

   Products that are not considered samples of no commercial value include pure chemical products, drugs, toiletry articles, liquors even in miniature bottles, manufactured goods and objects that are inscribed with propaganda.

   Samples of no commercial value are exempt from customs duties.

3. **Import of Emergency Shipments**
   Emergency shipments are goods that by their nature require preferential treatment. The Urgent clearance procedures must be regularized within the non-extendable deadline of ten (10) days after unloading has been completed.

   According to the General Customs Law, goods can be released with facilities, limiting Customs control to the minimum necessary. Emergency Shipments are: human organs, human blood and plasma, perishable goods and substances, goods for medical and ichthyologic research, radioactive substances, live animals, perishable goods susceptible to decomposition or deterioration; explosives; fuels and flammable products newspapers, magazines and periodicals; medicines and vaccines; precious stones and metals, paper currency, dyes and coins; goods in bulk, large and heavy goods, and dangerous freight, parts and pieces for machinery, and inputs necessary to avoid stopping a productive process, etc.

4. **Importation of Emergency Aid Shipments**
   Emergency aid shipments are considered those destined to help victims of natural disasters, epidemics and accidents. The General Customs Law permits the release with facilities of emergency aid shipments, to be carried out with the minimum Customs control necessary. Goods considered within this include vehicles and other forms of transport, foods, medicines and vaccines; clothing, tents, prefabricated houses, etc.

5. **Import of Postal Shipments**
   Post includes letters, cards, post cards, printed matter, Braille materials, small packets, parcels, and the shipment of documents, money, cassettes and diskettes and compact discs providing they do not exceed four units, and other items according to the classification of the Universal Postal Convention.

   Small packets and parcels must not exceed 2 kilograms and 30 kilograms in weight, respectively.

   The FOB value of Postal shipments and Postal Parcels must not exceed USD 2000.

6. **Importation Of Postal Shipments For Embassies**
   IMPORTATION OF DIPLOMATIC BAGS
   CUSTOMS authorizes the clearance of diplomatic bags that contain small parcels that have visible indications outside as to their character and only contain diplomatic documents and objects for official use.

7. **Importation of Goods for the Diplomatic Corps and International Organizations**
   Representatives of the Diplomatic Corps and International Organizations accredited in the country are permitted at the end of their postings abroad to bring in free of Ad-Valorem Duties, General Sales Tax and the Selective Consumer Tax, their furniture, household goods, personal effects and one automobile, all of which must bear proportion to the established position.

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8. Importation of Postal Shipments of a Total Value Not Exceeding USD 1000
Postal shipments that are exempt from tariff duties are parcels or packets mailed for personal use or exclusive use of the consignee, including gifts, that do not exceed USD 100 in value per shipment, up to a limit of USD 1000 per calendar year.

9. Importation of Special Vehicles and Prosthesis for Handicapped Persons
Clearance is permitted of special vehicles and prosthesis; to be used exclusively by handicapped persons, exempt from tariff duties and with the payment of the General Sales Tax, Selective Consumer Tax and Municipal Promotion Tax via Cancellation Documents. The vehicles may have a maximum value of USD 10,000 CIF. To be granted the exemption, the Customs Declaration for Import must be accompanied by a Ministerial Resolution certifying the condition of the handicapped person.

2.1.2. Marking
Packages must show AWB number and destination.

2.1.3. Routing
Via Lima where all consignments are cleared and inspected. Consignees in other places have to appoint a clearing agent or representative whose name, address and phone number, if any, must be stated in the AWB after “Also notify”.

2.1.4. Language on Documents
Spanish.

2.1.5. Other requirements
- Acceptance: All consignments upon arrival in Peru must be accompanied with the required documents completed and legalised as prescribed.
- AWB: Must indicate in the box “Documents to accompany AWB” either that Commercial Invoice is attached or to whom (ultimate consignee, bank, etc.) the invoice has been reforwarded when it cannot accompany the consignment.

2.2. Documentary Requirements

2.2.1. Commercial consignments
- 4 Commercial Invoices which must accompany the consignment and be prepared in Spanish (or accompanied with a translation in Spanish). Number and date of Import Licence must be stated. For pharmaceuticals 8 Invoices are required. If FOB-value is USD 100.00 or over, invoices must be legalised by Consulate or - if not available - certified by Chamber of Commerce. When neither of the two exists, documents must be marked: “No legalization - neither Consulate nor Chamber of Commerce available”. Date of issue and of legalization may not be later than of shipment.
- Import Licence (or photostatic copy), when required, must be presented to Consulate together with the other documents for legalization.

2.2.2. Sample consignments
See 2.2.1.
Samples:
1. Without payment must be rendered unfit for sale;
2. With commercial value may temporarily be imported free of duties only when re-exported within 6 months (real jewelries are excepted);
3. Carried as baggage: deposit must be paid, refundable on presentation of a written evidence that they have been re-exported within 6 months.

2.2.3. Gift consignments
Only a swored declaration OMC needed.

2.3. Restrictions

2.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate from veterinarian service in country of origin. Import Licence from Ministry of Agriculture.

2.3.3. Plants and plant material
Phytopathologic Certificate. Cutting, seeds and bulbs: Import Licence from Ministry of Agriculture.

2.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Import Permit from “Ministery of Interior”, Lima.

2.3.6. Human remains
Examination Certificate. Defunction Certificate. Embalmment Certificate. Coffin must be zinc lined.

2.3.8. Medicines and vaccines
Vaccines for veterinary purposes: Import Licence from the Ministry of Agriculture.

2.3.15. Others
Wines and spirits: Certificate stating that they have been bottled and labelled in country of origin.
Agricultural products: Permit from Ministry of Agriculture.

2.4. Prohibitions
All goods from Albania, Bulgaria, China (People’s Republic), Cuba, North Korea, unless Special Licence has been obtained; decaying or spoiled food products; glass infants bottles with glass or rubber tube; counterfeit money; cigars, cigarettes, kitchen salt; books, printed matter, objects, etc. which are obscene and libellous in character; contraceptive products or remedies.

2.5. Charges

2.5.2. Handling
Each airline or cargo terminal has their own tariff.

2.5.4. Documentation
Each cargo must be nationalised in Lima, send for interior points in Peru by Domestic Way.

2.5.6. Storage
Each terminal has their own tariff.

3. Transhipment/Transit

3.1. General
Transfer is effected within 12 hours after arrival.

3.3. Restrictions

3.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate.

3.3.3. Plants and plant material
Health Certificate.

3.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Permission from the DISCAMEC “Direccion General de Servicio de Seguridad y Control de Armas, Municion y Explosivos de Uso Civil”.

3.3.5. Narcotics and drugs
Permission from Ministry of Health.

3.5. Charges

3.5.5. Transhipment
Lima
None.

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