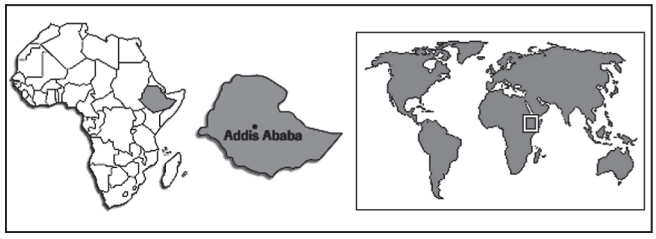
Ethiopia (ET)

Amounts shown are expressed in Ethiopian Birr (ETB)



0. General Information

- IATA Area : 2
- Capital : Addis Ababa (ADD)
- Local Time : GMT + 3
- Daylight Saving Time : Ethiopia does not observe DST.
- ☎ Country Code : + 251
- Local Currency : Ethiopian Birr (ETB)
- Bank Information : Closed on Saturday afternoon and Sundays.+
- Public Holidays :

Date
03 Jan 2015
07 Jan 2015
19 Jan 2015
02 Mar 2015
10 Apr 2015
12 Apr 2015
01 May 2015
05 May 2015
28 May 2015
18 Jul 2015
12 Sep 2015
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- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols / Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Hague Protocol (1955)
  3. Montreal Protocol MP4 (1975)
  4. 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.

- **E-Customs**
  Advance Electronic Information (AEI) requirements
  - Status: Live
  - System/Program name: Airlines Advanced Manifest Interface
  - Scope: Import, Export, Transit
  - Party responsible for filing: Carrier
  - Deadline - Import: Shorthaul: For flights less than four hours, the deadline is on departure from origin. Longhaul: At least four hours prior to arrival
  - How to submit information: FTP process via a portal-like message exchange system
  - Further information: www.erca.gov.et and NigussieS@revenue.gov.et

  E-Customs information and Advance Electronic Information requirements are subject to change. Readers should check for the latest information available from relevant country authorities.

  For additional information on E-Customs and Advance Electronic Information, please refer to chapter 6.5.

1. Airport Information

1.1. Customs Airports

- **Addis Ababa - ADD**
  Tel.: +251 11 6 651400
  Fax: +251 11 6 651401
- **Dire Dawa - DIR**
  Tel.: +251 25 1 115939
  Fax: +251 25 1 113208

1.2. Airport Facilities
Addis Ababa
1.2.1. Loading/Unloading equipment
Forklift max. 10 tons. Scissor lift max. 14 tons.
1.2.2. Storage
At Ethiopian Cargo Terminal warehouse goods not cleared after 1 month will be auctioned to cover storage fees and transportation cost if the goods transported on charges collect basis.
Return before clearance is possible.
Cold storage: Available.
Safe for valuables: Available.
Storage for Dangerous goods: Available.
Storage for Radio Active goods: Available.
1.2.3. Clearance
At Ethiopian Cargo Terminal by consignee or Maritime services Corporation, or any Clearing Agent.
1.2.4. Customs hours
Monday through Saturday 06.00 - 22.00 hrs.
Sunday 08.30 - 12.30 hrs.
Clearance outside Customs hours possible for all consignments against payment of overtime fee and after prior arrangement with Customs director.

2. Import

2.1. General
2.1.4. Language on documents
English and Amharic (the National language).
2.1.5. Other requirements
Addresses in Ethiopia on letters, telegrams, teletype messages or transportation documents must also mention the P.O. Box number as no house-to-house postal delivery exists in Ethiopia and telephone contact of the addressee.

2.2. Documentary Requirements
2.2.1. Commercial consignments
- Bank permit.
- 3 Commercial Invoices (1 copy to be visaed by Ethiopian Chamber of Commerce), containing: total price per unit in currency of country of origin, detailed description of merchandise, marking on packages, gross and net weight, the declaration: “We certify this invoice to be true and correct and in accordance with our books”.
- 1 original Manufacturer’s Invoice, when exporter is not the manufacturer.

2.2.2. Sample consignments
- 3 Commercial or Pro Forma Invoices certified by Ethiopian Chamber of Commerce, if possible.
- With commercial value: deposit to be paid for the normal duties which are refunded on re-expedition. Invoice must be marked with: “VALUE FOR CUSTOMS PURPOSES”.

2.3. Restrictions
2.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate. Permit from Exchange Controller.
2.3.3. Plants and plant material
Health Certificate. Permit from Exchange Controller and from Ministry of Agriculture.
2.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Permit from Ministry of Public Security Dept.
2.3.5. Narcotics and drugs
Permit from Ministry of Public Health.
2.3.6. Human remains
Doctor’s Certificate.
2.3.15. Others
Prior to sending all DGR shipments except those stated under 2.3.4. to Addis Ababa the consignee should secure import permit from the concerned authority and provide the information to the shipper or agent at origin. Accordingly, shipper or agent at origin station has to attach copy of the permit with the AWB up on sending the shipments. The consignee also should clear the DGR with in three working days.

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2.4. Prohibitions

a. False and counterfeit money; foreign lottery tickets; edible colouring agents with a base of tar or other mineral products or with a base of poisonous vegetable matter.

b. Importation of goods to Ethiopia on franco valuta basis is prohibited.

Exceptions:

- Books, magazines, pamphlets and gift items to be freely distributed or used by religious organizations, Governmental (Ministries) or non-governmental organizations (NGO's, ECA, OAU, etc.).
- Personal effects/accompanied baggage of incoming passengers which are not for sale.
- Grant to Government from donor agencies (such shipments do normally have gift certificates).
- Personal property of diplomatic missions.
- Machineries of Ethiopian investors coming from abroad (such investors have documents issued by the Government).
  However, shipments bearing one of the documents of the National Bank of Ethiopia such as letter of credit, cash against document, bank draft, telegraphic transfer, can be imported.

c. Used personal effects are not allowed to be imported into Ethiopia.

d. Plastic barrel/drums used as a packing material for personal effects are not allowed.

2.5. Charges

2.5.1. General

I.	Dry Cargo	
No.	**Parameters**	**Rules**
1.1.	Free days	120 Hours (Five days) for shipment weighing up to and equal to 1000 kg. 72 Hours (Three days) for shipment weighing above 1000 kg.
1.2.	Maximum weight	Every kilo is chargeable and minimum weight is one kilo (i.e. anything less than one kilo should be charged as one kilo)
1.3.	Minimum fee	ETB 50.00
1.4.	Calculation time	From midnight 00:01 minute to midnight 24:00 hours will be considered as one day. Any load arrived in between this timing should be charged as one full day.
1.5.	Public holidays	There is no exemption for public holidays and weekends.
1.6.	Delivey days	All days except holidays
1.7.	Working hours for delivery	6:00 a.m. up-to 10:00 p.m. local times. Monday to Sunday
1.8.	Day period charge apply	While every day is chargeable, warehouse charges are progressive as shown on the table below:-
1.9.	Charge per day	All charges are applicable per day basis effective after (3 days/72 hrs. for above 1000 kg.) or (5 Days/120 hrs. for up to 1000 kg.) grace period.
1.10.	Unit of measurement for W / H charge	Charges should apply on per kg. basis.
1.11.	Date format	DD MM YYYY (Day / Month / Year)
1.12.	Weight applicable for charge	W/H charge should be applicable on chargeable weight (volume or actual weight whichever is higher) In exception to vehicles or motorized equipment stored outside the warehouse.

- Chargeable Weight up to 1000 kg.

1 - 5 days (120 hrs.)	free
6 - 12 days, per kg., per day	0.05
13 - 27 days, per kg., per day	0.10
28 - 42 days, per kg., per day	0.45
43 - 58 days, per kg., per day	0.60
59 - 74 days, per kg., per day	0.75
75 - 90 days, per kg., per day	0.90

** Any shipment left behind uncollected after completion of custom's inspection in addition to warehouse charge., per kg., per day 3.00
(To be calculated Manually)

- Chargeable Weight above 1000 kg.

1 - 3 days (72 hrs)	free
4 - 5 days, per kg., per day	0.15
6 - 12 days, per kg., per day	0.20
13 - 27 days, per kg., per day	0.25
28 - 42 days, per kg., per day	0.90
43 - 58 days, per kg., per day	1.05
59 - 74 days, per kg., per day	1.20
75 - 90 days, per kg., per day	1.35

** Any shipment left behind uncollected after completion of custom's inspection in addition to warehouse charge., per kg., per day 3.00
(To be calculated Manually)

1.13. For immediate delivery

0 - 100 kg., per day	50.00
101 - 500 kg., per day	100.00
501 - 1000 kg., per day	200.00
1001 - 2000 kg., per day	500.00
Above 2001 kg., per day	2,500.00

To be calculated Manually.

II.	Vehicles	
No.	**Parameters**	**Rules**
2.1.	Storage charge	No free day
2.2.	Minimum charge	ETB 250.00
2.3.	Warehouse charge	Charge for dry cargo should apply for vehicles with a 30% mark-up as insurance fee and the charge should be computed on the basis of actual weight. (see table below)

- Chargeable Weight up to 1000 kg.

1 - 3 days, per kg., per day	0.030
4 - 5 days, per kg., per day	0.050
6 - 12 days, per kg., per day	0.065
13 - 27 days, per kg., per day	0.130
28 - 42 days, per kg., per day	0.585
43 - 58 days, per kg., per day	0.780
59 - 74 days, per kg., per day	0.975
75 - 90 days*, per kg., per day	1.170

* Above 90 days, if shipment remains under Ethiopian custody, for above 90 days use Birr 3.00 per day per chargeable weight. This applies equally for any vehicle weight.

- Chargeable Weight above 1000 kg.

1 - 3 days, per kg., per day	0.100
4 - 5 days, per kg., per day	0.195
6 - 12 days, per kg., per day	0.260
13 - 27 days, per kg., per day	0.325
28 - 42 days, per kg., per day	1.170
43 - 58 days, per kg., per day	1.365
59 - 74 days, per kg., per day	1.625
75 - 90 days*, per kg., per day	1.755

* Above 90 days, if shipment remains under Ethiopian custody, for above 90 days use Birr 3.00 per day per chargeable weight. This applies equally for any vehicle weight.

III.	Perishable Cargo	
No.	**Parameters**	**Rules**
3.1.	Minimum charge	ETB 50.00
3.2.	Cold Storage charge	No free day
3.3.	For immediate delivery, even if not stored in cold room	ETB 0.15 per kg. will be appliacble.

a. Import

Days 1 - 2:

0 - 1000 kg., per kg., per day	0.90
1001 - 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.80
Above 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.70

From 2 - 30 days:

0 - 1000 kg., per kg., per day	1.10
1001 - 2000 kg., per kg., per day	1.00
Above 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.90

Above 30 days:

0 - 1000 kg., per kg., per day	1.10
1001 - 2000 kg., per kg., per day	1.00
Above 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.90

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b. Export

Days 1 - 2:

0 - 1000 kg., per kg., per day	0.30
1001 - 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.25
Above 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.20

From 2 - 30 days:

0 - 1000 kg., per kg., per day	0.45
1001 - 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.35
Above 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.25

Above 30 days:

0 - 1000 kg., per kg., per day	1.35
1001 - 2000 kg., per kg., per day	1.05
Above 2000 kg., per kg., per day	0.75

IV. Dangerous goods

No.	Parameters	Rules
	Except those under "UN or ID No" list goods	
	*1002	
	*1006	
	*1268	
	*1968	
	*1987	
	*1989	
	*2071	
	*3065	
	*8000	
	All are considered "Dangerous Goods"	
4.1.	Minimum charge	ETB 100.00
	Storage charge	No free day
	Days 1 - 2	
	Every kilo	ETB 0.25 per kg., per day
	From 2 - 30 days	ETB 0.30 per kg., per day
	Above 30 days	ETB 0.90 per kg., per day
4.2.	**Radio Active goods**	
	Minimum charge	ETB 125.00
	Storage charge	No free day
	Days 1 - 2	
	Up to 1,000 kg.	ETB 5.00 per kg., per day
	Above 1,000 kg.	ETB 10.00 per kg., per day
	From 2 - 30 days	
	Every kilo	ETB 10.00 per kg., per day
	Above 30 days	
	Every kilo	ETB 30.00 per kg., per day

2.5.3. Clearance

If value is less than ETB 250.00	24.15
If value exceeds ETB 250.00	48.30

3. Transhipment/Transit

3.5. Charges

3.5.5. Transhipment

Addis Ababa

Per consignment	3.60

3.5.10. Others

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Seal charges, per package	0.35
Statistical charges, per consignment	4.85

4. Export

4.5. Charges

4.5.3. Clearance

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If value is less than ETB 250.00	24.15
If value exceeds ETB 250.00	48.30

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