



## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **REMINDER ON PRE-CLEARANCE OF IMPORTED PRIVATE MOTOR VEHICLES**

All importers and agents acting on behalf of such importers are reminded that private vehicles imported by road into Zimbabwe must be pre-cleared before their arrival into the country. This is not a new requirement as it came into effect on 1 November 2020. The Authority has noted a decline in observing this requirement and this notice is a reminder of statutory requirement that are already in place.

All privately imported motor vehicles driven or transported by car carriers must be pre-cleared before they are dispatched to Zimbabwe. Pre-clearance refers to the lodgement of import documents to ZIMRA for import controls, duty assessment/clearance and the subsequent payment of duties due (if any) upon receipt of an assessment prior to the arrival of the vehicle in Zimbabwe.

Importers or their agents should submit scanned copies of invoices, bills of lading, export documents, proof of payment for the purchase of the imported vehicle, freight statements, copy of passport of the importer, police clearance, letter of rebate (where applicable) and any other relevant documents relating to importation, online to enable officers to calculate and advise them of the customs duty payable prior to arrival of the vehicle. Where duties are exempt because of non-duty paying regime such as a rebate, the necessary processes will be duly completed and importer advised accordingly.

Motor vehicles should only be loaded onto carriers for despatch to Zimbabwe or driven into Zimbabwe only when the relevant processes have been completed, including the payment of duties, where applicable. Clearance details must be sent to the carrier to enable them to load vehicles for despatch. Please take note that carriers/transporters have also been notified of this requirement to enable them to play their part in compliance with this requirement.

For private vehicles coming through Dar es salaam, Tanzania and transiting to Zimbabwe through Zambia, pre-clearance shall only be effected when the vehicle has arrived at the port of Dar es Salaam. The importer/ representative is required to attach as evidence, a copy of the Zambian registered transit bill of entry to their set of import documents.

All the imported vehicles shall be subjected to compliance checks for control purposes and may also be subjected to value verifications/valuation before the Customs Clearance Certificate is processed and issued. Please take note that failure to pre-clear your vehicle(s) as required by law attracts a penalty of **USD400** or its equivalent in ZWL. In addition, any false declarations or provision of false information on documents related to these importations may lead to seizure of the vehicle, and other punitive measures, including possible prosecution of the offenders.

Online pre-clearance documents may be forwarded to the following email addresses depending on the intended port of entry for the imported vehicle.

**1. Beitbridge Border Post**

**Destined to transit sheds:** BeitbridgeMotorValuations@zimra.co.zw

*Owner driven:* Beitbridgeprivateimports@zimra.co.zw

2. **Forbes Border Post:** [ForbesManagers@zimra.co.zw](mailto:ForbesManagers@zimra.co.zw); ForbesSupervisors@zimra.co.zw

**3. Plumtree Border Post**

**Destined to transit sheds:** plumtreetransitshed@zimra.co.zw

*Owner driven:* plumtreeprivateimports@zimra.co.zw

**4. Kazungula Border Post**

*Owner driven:* kazungulaprivateimports@zimra.co.zw

**5. Victoria Falls Border Post**

*Owner driven:* victoriafallsprivateimports@zimra.co.zw

**6. Chirundu One Stop Border Post**

*Owner driven:* chirunduprivateimports@zimra.co.zw

**7. Kariba Border Post**

*Owner driven:* karibaprivateimports@zimra.co.zw

***N.B. Take note that private vehicle importations through Kariba Border post are temporarily suspended until further Notice***

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