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Internet delivers facts for car shippers

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Mannheim, Germany - U.S. personnel overseas can find facts about shipping vehicles to the United States on the Internet. The listed links are on the Military Customs Web site at <http://www.hqusareur.army.mil/opm/cars.htm>

- The U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection offers tips on converting foreign vehicles to U.S. emission and safety standards, washing requirements to prevent spreading bugs and diseases stateside and tells you how to import a vehicle without paying duty.
- For people with vehicles not built to U.S. safety specifications, the site has links to the latest list of registered importers that can do U.S. safety conversions, the list of models that can be converted, details on importing Canadian standard vehicles, and the HS-7 Declaration Form required for vehicle imports.
- The Environmental Protection Agency also has a link listing the Automotive Imports Facts Manual, Independent Commercial Importer List, a “What’s New?” section, Approved Canadian Vehicles and the EPA 3520-1 Declaration Form.
- The Department of Agriculture link explains why high standards of cleanliness are necessary for vehicles shipped stateside.

More customs information is available at the Military Customs Online page at www.hqusareur.army.mil/opm/uscustoms.htm or call any local military customs office for more information.