

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Importation of Vehicles on a Temporary Import Permit for Visitors (TIP)

The Zimbabwe Revenue Authority (ZIMRA) wishes to advise its valued clients i.e. visitors to Zimbabwe, that one can import a vehicle under Temporary Import Permit (TIP) in terms of Section 120 of the Customs and Excise Act Chapter 23.02 as read with Section 104 of the Customs and Excise (General) Regulations, Statutory Instrument No. 154 of 2001, on **rebate of duty for tourist**, which defines a tourist as follows:

"tourist": means any person who is not resident in Zimbabwe but travels to Zimbabwe for a period of time specified at the time of his arrival;

This, therefore, means a Zimbabwean resident is not entitled to a TIP.

It has been observed that some clients abuse this TIP facility through: -

- Use of another traveller who qualifies for a TIP, for the purposes of facilitating entry of the vehicle into Zimbabwe by undeserving people at entry points. In most instances the owners will be Zimbabwean residents, and this result in the seizure of the vehicles and payment of heavy penalties for contravening the TIP rebate requirements.
- Engagements of touts at the border who then issue them with fake TIPs which when verifications are done in the system are then detected as fake, and the vehicle is seized.

Clients are encouraged to: -

- Desist from obtaining TIPs issued in another person's name when one knows quite well that they do not qualify to be issued with a TIP. Affidavits will be critically scrutinised.
- Obtain a TIP from a formal system i.e. ZIMRA counters at entry points. In this regard visitors should ensure that they apply for an e-tip before getting to the border, on TIP mobile application or Web Application using the link [:https://ecustoms.zimra.co.zw/etip/](https://ecustoms.zimra.co.zw/etip/) in order to facilitate travel processes at the border.

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