

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU TRAVEL OUTSIDE THE U.S.

Export Control Office

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When you travel abroad for UCSD business or with UCSD property, safety and security must be a primary consideration. The [U.S. State Department](#) provides valuable country-specific information for travelers, and should be consulted before your trip.

In addition to your personal safety, it is your responsibility as a UCSD employee to safeguard items and sensitive data under your control while on travel. **The U.S. Government controls the export of physical items, or proprietary data, outside of the U.S., or access to these items or data by foreign nationals, no matter the location.**

It is the traveler's responsibility to abide by export control requirements to avoid potential loss of proprietary information or technology. Penalties for export violations **range from thousands to millions of dollars per violation.**

Contact the UCSD Export Control Office for guidance on export license requirements for items you may be hand carrying or shipping abroad.

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BE AWARE OF ANY IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

*Many countries restrict importation of **biological, pathogenic or infectious materials and encrypted software or devices**, among others. You may also be responsible for duties or taxes if you don't have proper documentation when entering customs.*

Travel to **CUBA, IRAN, SYRIA, SUDAN and NORTH KOREA** is **highly regulated and may require a license**. Contact the [Export Control Office](#) if you plan to travel to one of these countries.



What is an Export?

- Physical items, whether shipped, packed in luggage, or carried on, including proprietary technical data
- All physical or hand carried items are exports that may require a license or a license exception
- Contact UCSD Export Control for assistance: <http://export.ucsd.edu>