

# Export checklist: Mexico

Seaway Project Cargo · prepared October 18, 2026

## 25,317

U.S. machines shipped here in 2025

## 1–2 days

Fastest published transit

## \$16,000

Duty and VAT, \$100,000 excavator

## None

RoRo from the East and Gulf Coast

### SHIPPING METHODS

- Container: Booked on request. Container ports: Port of Veracruz, Port of Manzanillo, Port of Altamira. No schedule we track lists a direct call, so the carrier and any transshipment are confirmed at booking.
- Flat rack: Booked on request. For machines too wide or tall for a closed box, on container lines that accept out-of-gauge cargo. Discharge at Port of Veracruz, Port of Manzanillo, Port of Altamira, subject to the terminal taking flat racks.
- RoRo: No regular service from U.S. coasts. Published services: Grimaldi MED/USA/MEX; NYK RORO North–South; Höegh Autoliners Vessel schedule. RoRo ports: Port of Veracruz.
- Breakbulk: Liner breakbulk or charter. For cargo too large or heavy for a flat rack, loaded by ship or shore crane. Breakbulk and heavy-lift ports: Port of Veracruz, Port of Manzanillo, Port of Altamira.

### DUTY AND TAX

- Import duty: 0% of \$100,000 CIF is \$0 (HS 8429.52, 2023 tariff).
- IVA: 16% of the duty-inclusive \$100,000 is \$16,000 (Mexico SAT / ANAM, checked June 2026)
- Total duty and tax: \$16,000, or 16% of CIF.
- Excavators 0% · Wheel loaders 7.5% · Crawler dozers 0% · Motor graders 15% · Backhoes and other excavating machines 11.3% · Crawler and rough-terrain cranes 3.3%

### U.S. EXPORT STEPS

- File the EEI in AES before loading (every vehicle, and any Schedule B line over \$2,500) and pass the ITN to the carrier.
- Titled machines: original title and EEI to U.S. Customs at the port at least 72 hours before export.
- Wood packaging and dunnage must be ISPM 15 heat-treated and stamped.
- Check the export classification (EAR99 or an ECCN) before booking.

### DOCUMENTS AT DESTINATION

Commercial Invoice · Packing List · Bill of Lading · Certificate of Origin (CUSMA) · Pedimento (Import Declaration) · NOM Certification (if required) · Equipment Specifications

### USED-MACHINERY RULES

- Licence or permit: Secretaría de Economía permiso previo (Anexo 2.2.1) covers used vehicles, including used road tractors (8701.20.02, numeral 5), for definitive import. Used earthmoving machinery is not among the listed permit categories.
- Inspection: SADER/SENASICA (DGSV) regulates imports of used agricultural machinery (e.g. 8432 ploughs, 8433 harvesters, 'Únicamente: usadas'); phytosanitary requirements apply. Excavators (8429) and tractors (8701) are not listed.
- Documents: Importer must be in SHCP's Padrón de Importadores. File a pedimento de importación with a Spanish-language commercial invoice, bill of lading and, if applicable, NOM compliance documents; Carta Porte complement required since August 2023.
- Trade agreement: USMCA preference needs an origin certification with the nine minimum data elements. Importer, exporter or producer may issue it; no prescribed form. SAT conducts USMCA origin verifications, including site visits.

### SOURCES

Sources: World Bank WITS; Grimaldi Lines; UNCTAD TRAINS via World Bank WITS; NYK RORO; Höegh Autoliners; Secretaría de Economía / SNICE - Permisos Previos; SADER/SE - Acuerdo que establece las mercancías cuya importación está sujeta a regulación por parte de SADER; ITA. Full citations and dates on the web page.