require the importer to obtain an exchange permit before he may make payment for the import.

U.S. exporters therefore are urged to make certain before shipping that the foreign importer has obtained the required permit, and they should insist on being furnished the identifying number or symbol of the permit.

More detailed information on licensing and exchange controls may be obtained from the Field Offices of the U.S. Department of Commerce. Publications covering licensing and exchange controls of individual countries also are available from the Field Offices at a nominal charge.

Country	Is import license necessary?	Is exchange permit required?
Afghanistan 1	No, for most imports; but a declaration or customs permit must be obtained from Afghan border officials or trade agents abroad.	No; but permission to remit foreign ex- change to exporters abroad must be obtained from Da Afghanistan Bank.
Arabian Peninsula areas: Saudi Arabia	No	No. Import licenses carry right to foreign exchange at official rate. Other goods may be imported by purchase of foreign exchange on free market.
Aden Bahrein, Qatar Trucial States.	No	No.
Muscat and Oman, Yemen Argentina	NoNo; but most imports are subject to ex- change surcharges.	No. No.
Australia	No, except for about 10 percent of im- ports, including principally textiles, toys, canned fish, aluminum products, and other miscellaneous items of minor importance.	No.
Austria	No, except for a number of agricultural and some industrial items which re- quire an individually validated import license, Most industrial and some agri- cultural items may be imported freely under general license.	No.
Belgium	No, except for specific items. Licenses usually freely granted if still required.	No separate permit required.
Bolivia Brazil	No. except for nonessential or luxury goods and for items imported without foreign exchange cover. Most commercial imports require only a certificate of exchange cover.	No.  No. Foreign exchange for imports is pur- chased in the free market. Certificates of right to purchase exchange for non- essentials are obtained at auction.
British Colonies not specified elsewhere. <sup>2</sup>	No, except for certain items not under open license and for the Bahama Islands where the license requirement is merely a formality.	No. Import licenses assures release of foreign exchange.
Bulgaria	Yes	Import license automatically assures foreign exchange.
Burma	Yes, except for imports by the Govern- ment, or goods importable under open general license.	Yes.
·Cambodia	Yes	Yes; import license carries right to foreign exchange.
Cameroon, Federal Republic of		Yes; import license carries right to foreign exchange.
Canada	No, except for butter; butter fat; ched- dar cheese; dried skim milk; wheat, oats, and barley and certain processed products of these grains; turkeys; natural gas; radioactive and fission- able materials, isotopes, and equip- ment for production, use, or applica- tion of atomic energy. Import of alcoholic beverages requires Provin- cial licenses. Secondhand automobiles	No.
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Central African Republic		exchange. Yes.
Ceylon	importable under open license.	
Chad	Yes	Yes; import license carries right to foreign exchange.