

International Auction, Gallery and Art Fair in Customs Area

Background

- There are growing interests in hosting international auctions and art fairs in Japan.
- Customs area in Japan is available to hold these events.
- The events can be held not only at existing Customs areas, but also new permission for Customs areas can be applied for holding the events.
- This efficient use of Customs area will contribute to promote cultural and economic activities.

Efficient use of Customs area

○ What is Customs area?

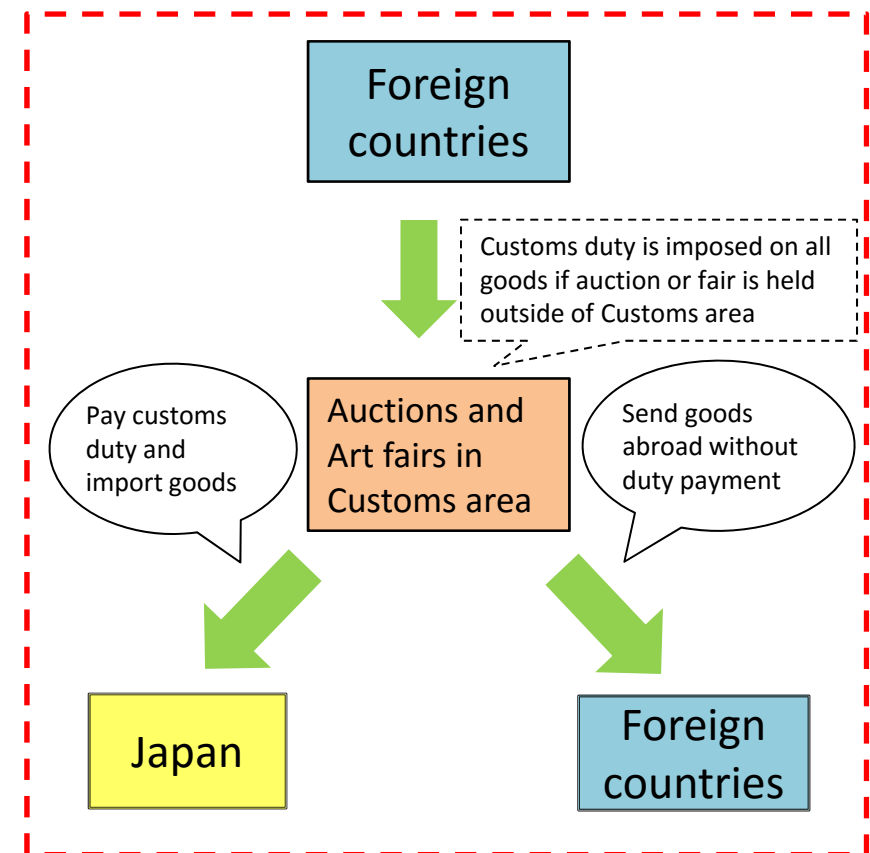
In Customs area, you can store and display foreign goods without import procedure and payment of duties and taxes.

○ Treatment of duties and taxes

In Customs area, you can deal with foreign goods(storage, etc.) without paying customs duties or internal and local consumption taxes.

Import procedure and the payment will be required if foreign goods are sold at auction, fair or gallery in Customs area and delivered in Japan.

The payment is not necessary if foreign goods are sent to abroad without imported to Japan.



For holding International Auction, Gallery and Art Fair in Customs Area

International auction and gallery at customs warehouse

What is customs warehouse?

A place where, permitted by the Director General of Customs, foreign goods can be stored

How to get permission as a customs warehouse?

Consult customs office and submit application (subject to documentary examination).

- ① Application form for customs warehouse permit
- ② Relevant Documents (latest business report, etc.)
- ③ Plotting of the customs warehouse and its surroundings
- ④ Internal rules regarding management of goods ,etc.

Points to consider for holding international auctions

- Control of goods
- Management of guests or strict control of goods
 - ※ Strict control of goods
 - Continuous monitoring the whole Customs Area with security cameras; or
 - Installing security gates with the use of security tags, etc.
- Procedures (import and customs procedures required for purchasing and delivering foreign goods)
- Storage of goods like art works expected to be traded and reshipped abroad is also possible ,etc.

International art fair in customs display area

What is customs display area?

A place where, permitted by the Director General of Customs, foreign goods can be displayed

How to get permission as a customs display area?

Consult customs office and submit application (subject to documentary examination).

- ① Application form for customs display area permit
 - ②~④ same documents as stated on the left
 - ⑤ Documents stating the name, purpose, content, duration and organizer of the exposition ,etc.
- ※ Sponsorship by national or local government is needed.

Points to consider for holding international art fair

- Control of goods
- Procedures (import and customs procedures required for purchasing and delivering foreign goods) ,etc.

Flow chart

