

Instruction on the Export of Antiquities or Buddha Images from the Kingdom of Thailand

1. Buddha images, Bodhisattva images or related fragments, part of ancient monuments and prehistoric objects, are forbidden to be taken out of the Kingdom. **Newly cast Buddha images in complete condition** can be exported for worship, cultural exchange or educational purposes with licenses issued by the Fine Arts Department. **Not more than 5 pieces per person shall be allowed.** (Please contact Tel. 02 628 5032 for more information.)

2. Reproductions of antiquities can also be exported with licenses.

3. Procedures to obtain a license for export of antiquities or Buddha images:

I. The following documents should be produced together with the application form:

- (a) two copies (3x5 inches) of front view photograph of the object(s)
- (b) a photocopy of the applicant's passport (in case of export of Buddha images the photocopy of passport must be certified as true copy by the related Embassy or Consulate in Thailand.)

II. Bring the object(s) and the documents to apply for a license at any of the following places:

- (a) Office of Archaeology and National Museums, 81/1 Si Ayutthaya Road, Theves, Dusit, Bangkok, Tel. 02 628 5032
- (b) Chiang Mai National Museum, Superhighway Road, Amphoe Muang, Chiang Mai, Tel. (053) 221-308
- (c) Songkhla National Museum, 13/1 Jana Road, Tambon Bohyang, Amphoe Muang, Songkhla, Tel : (074) 311-728, 311-881
- (d) Thalang National Museum, Tambon Si Sunthorn, Amphoe Thalang, Phuket, Tel : (076) 311-426

III. Please allow 4 working days for license issuing process.