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# **INTERNATIONAL MOVES** **AUSTRALIA**

Everything you need to know





## THE FUNDAMENTALS

### Household Effects

Duty free entry is granted providing goods must have been owned and used abroad for 12 months or more preceding owner's arrival into the country. Owners can nominate a third party to clear their effects however this may incur extra charges at destination. In this case the owner must arrive into Australia no more than 6 months later.

All household and personal effects entering Australia are subject to physical examination by the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service (AQIS). Please see our checklist for items which may be of interest to AQIS and therefore subject to additional cleaning / fumigation costs. All items must be thoroughly cleaned prior to packing however professional cleaning may still be required at destination.

Required documentation from client:

- **AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS FORM (B534)**
- **PHOTOCOPY OF PASSPORT PHOTO AND VISA PAGE. (SOME PORTS REQUIRE A FULL COPY OF EACH PAGE.)**

### Motor Vehicles

All motorised vehicles including cars, motorbikes, motorised caravans, sit-on lawn-mowers and quad bikes must obtain prior import approval. All motor vehicles are subject to duty and GST which is calculated on the value and age of the vehicle. Once the vehicle has been granted approval and imported, changes to the vehicle may be required to make it compliant with Australian safety standards.

Sailing boats, non-motorised caravans, trailers etc can be imported duty and GST free however a vehicle import approval must still be sought prior to entry.

Any vehicle shipped without prior approval from the Australian authorities is liable for re-export or destruction and a possible fine of up to A\$13,000.

Immediately prior to shipping, all motor vehicles must have their chassis and wheels steam cleaned and the inside valeted (if applicable.) Vehicles can only be shipped with a minimal amount of fuel in the tank.

Required Documentation from client

- **AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS FORM (B357) FOR MOTOR CARS**
- **VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM**
- **SALES OR PURCHASE INVOICE, SERVICE RECORD**
- **IMPORT APPROVAL.**



## WHAT CAN I SEND?

	Yes/No	Extra info
Food & beverages	🚫	
Alcohol & tobacco	👍	Subject to duties
Dried herbs and spices	👍	In small quantities
Dried flowers, plants, bulbs or seeds	🚫	
Bone or shell items	🚫	
Products made of animal fur, feathers, skins, hide or ivory	🚫	
Stuffed animals, insects	🚫	
Items made of or containing wood; cane; bamboo, wicker, straw, soil	👍	Will be subject to examination
Saddles, riding equipment, pet related items	👍	Will be subject to examination
Costume jewellery	👍	
Gas & scuba tanks, pressurised cylinders	🚫	De-pressurised scuba tanks are ok
Ink or printer cartridges	🚫	
Hazardous chemicals including cleaning materials, paint, varnish, pesticides	🚫	
Pornographic material	🚫	
Explosives or flammable gases	🚫	
Works of art featuring naked figures including statues, busts, figurines and paintings	👍	
Religious items including works of art, printed materials, jewelry, propaganda	👍	
Weapons, firearms, bayonets, knives, swords	🚫	
Narcotic drugs	🚫	



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