



INTERNATIONAL MOVES UAE

Everything you need to know



THE FUNDAMENTALS

Household Effects

Personal and household effects can be imported duty free provided they have been owned and used outside of the UAE prior to importation. It should be noted that, at their discretion, customs may apply a 5% duty based on the value assessed by them upon inspection. 100% of shipments arriving into the UAE are subjected to a physical examination prior to clearance.

It is preferable to have the shipment arrive within a month of the consignee's arrival and the consignee must be present in UAE at time of clearance.

The importation of video cassettes, music cassettes, CD's, computer software, books and magazines is permitted, however these items must be produced to customs at the time of inspection when they will be removed to the Ministry of Information for censorship. Items cleared by the Ministry, as being acceptable will be returned to the consignee after 2-3 weeks. Items banned will be destroyed or re-exported to the country of origin at consignee's expense.

Required documentation from client:

- **PASSPORT**
- **VISA**

Motor Vehicles

Importation of vehicles is allowed provided the vehicle meets UAE specifications, however all vehicles are subject to duties of approximately 4% of the CIF value.

After the vehicle is cleared customs will issue a vehicle clearance certificate which should be submitted to the local traffic authority in order to register the car

Required Documentation from client

- **ORIGINAL PURCHASE INVOICE**
- **INSURANCE POLICY.**



WHAT CAN I SEND?

	Yes/No	Extra info
Food & beverages	👍	In very small quantities
Alcohol & tobacco	👎	
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	👍	
Saddles, riding equipment, pet related items	👍	
Costume jewellery	👍	
Gas & scuba tanks, pressurised cylinders	👎	
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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