



INTERNATIONAL MOVES UK

Everything you need to know





THE FUNDAMENTALS

Household Effects

Household and personal effects may be imported tax and duty free as long as the items have been in the owner's use and possession for more than six months and the owner has lived outside of the EC for at least 12 months.

The owner should arrive in the E.C. before customs clearance can take place, and the goods must arrive within 12 months of the arrival of the owner. The owner can arrive up to three months after arrival of goods

Duty VAT will be applicable on importing alcohol, tobacco and tools of the trade.

Required documentation for household goods only:

- **INVENTORY OR PACKING LIST**
(completed by packing crew)
- **C3 CUSTOMS FORM**
- **OCCASIONALLY CUSTOMS REQUEST A COPY OF THE PASSPORT PHOTO PAGE**

Motor Vehicles

Motor vehicles may be imported tax and duty free providing the vehicle has been owned and used by the importer for over six months prior to shipping. The importer must again have lived outside of the UK for more than 12 months. We can arrange for your car to be transported to your residence, or you can choose to collect from our depot.

After your car has been customs cleared you will be issued with paperwork which will allow you to register your car. Please note that until your car is taxed, MOT'd and registered, it cannot be kept in the street and must be off road.

If the vehicle is less than 3 years old a certificate of conformity from the manufacturer of the vehicle should be obtained. Without the C of C (Certificate of Conformity) the car will have to be tested (similar to MOT) at a government approved centre to make sure it meets EU regulations.

Additional documentation required for a motor vehicle:

- **AS ABOVE PLUS A C104A**
- **DOCUMENT SHOWING THAT THE VEHICLE HAS BEEN IN THE OWNER'S USE AND POSSESSION ABROAD FOR THE PERIOD DESCRIBED ABOVE SUCH AS THE ORIGINAL PURCHASE INVOICE, INSURANCE CERTIFICATE, GARAGE AND MAINTENANCE INVOICES ETC**
- **IF THE VEHICLE IS LESS THAN 6 MONTHS OLD A C384**
- **MARRIAGE OR INHERITANCE TRANSFER OF RESIDENCE, PLEASE CONTACT US FOR ADVICE**



WHAT CAN I SEND?

	Yes/No	Extra info
Food & beverages	🚫	
Alcohol & tobacco	👍	Duty and Tax will be charged
Dried herbs and spices	🚫	
Dried flowers, plants, bulbs or seeds	🚫	
Bone or shell items	🚫	Most bones and shells don't require any additional paperwork.
Products made of animal fur, feathers, skins, hide or ivory	🚫	
Stuffed animals, insects	🚫	Stuffed animals, contact us for clarification
Items made of or containing wood; cane; bamboo, wicker, straw, soil	👍	
Saddles, riding equipment, pet related items	👍	
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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