



CUSTOMS PROCEDURE FOR MOVING HOUSEHOLD GOODS INTO SINGAPORE

Used Household Goods and Personal Effects may be imported free of duty within six months of member's arrival in Singapore provided:- Items were in possession of shipper for at least 6 months. Shipper has obtained an employment pass for a minimum of 6 months or his company can produce a copy of his employment pass application together with a sponsor letter.

Documents Required

Copy of shipper's passport.

Detailed household packing list in English.

Original Bill of Lading.

Alternatively GST, currently at the rate of 5% of the declared value of the shipment, must be paid.

Used Personal Effects

Singapore Customs Authorities perform physical inspection of all inbound shipments of Household Goods. The following commodities attract duties:

Tobacco products

Current duty level:

Cigarettes/Cigars/Tobacco: at S\$300.00 per kilo.

Wine, Spirits and other alcoholic beverages

Current duty level:

Wine (Still): US\$6.00 per litre + 5% GST

Wine (Sparkling): US\$8.00 per litre + 5% GST

Liquor, Whiskey, Brandy and Spirits: US\$19.00 per litre + 5% GST

A test may be ordered for alcoholic beverage not listed with the Singapore Customs and duty will be levied according to the alcoholic content. Testing fee is

US\$ 80.00 per bottle.

Always provide a detailed list of brand name, alcohol content and bottle size, pack in separate, clearly marked boxes and place these easily accessible in the container/lift van. This will facilitate customs clearance and delivery.

Vehicle/Car

Please contact your Agent for further information prior to export to Singapore.

Prohibited

Items

Liquors and cigarettes marked with the words "Singapore duty not paid" on the labels, cartons or packets, Cigarettes with the prefix "E" printed on the packets, Chewing gum, Chewing tobacco and imitation tobacco products, Cigarette lighters of pistol or revolver shape, Controlled drugs and psychotropic substances, Endangered species of wildlife and their by-products, Firecrackers, Obscene articles, publications, video tapes/discs and software, Reproduction of copyright publications, video tapes, video compact discs, laser discs, records or cassettes, Seditious and treasonable materials.

Live Animals and Plants

Except for pets arriving from the UK, Australia and New Zealand, all pets are subject to quarantine for one month on arrival to Singapore and also the Director of Primary Products, Singapore, must grant a licence. The licence must be obtained 7 days before importation. Quarantine space is limited and must be booked months ahead.

Video Tapes

Recorded video tapes/films, except for Ballet, Opera, Classical and Jazz music recordings, sports, educational, documentary and cartoon video, tapes and films meant for children, must be censored on arrival to Singapore. A detailed list of titles with the documentation should be provided and packed in separate, clearly marked boxes and placed in an easily accessible position in the container/lift van. This will facilitate customs clearance and delivery.