

Belgium - Foreign Citizen

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- Inventory; showing continuous numbers and signature of client (=copy of packing list)
- Copy of passport showing client's signature and photograph
- Original proof of living outside the European community for the 12 months prior to arrival in Belgium. (Eventually and attestation from the employer or the foreign authorities)
- Certificate of residence from the Belgium commune where client will take up residence, mentioning his nationality, date of birth and the fact he is coming from the USA (to be obtained at the town hall)..

Specific Information:

- Certificate of residence (Model 2) issued by local Belgian town hall of the city of residence.
- Letter of employment from the origin country or destination country stating that the customer has been employed outside the European Union for a period of at least 12 months.
- If possible, the letter of employment from the origin country should include the beginning and ending dates of employment and beginning date of employment in Belgium
- Any other official documents from the embassy or the Consulate at origin stating that the owner of the goods has lived outside Belgium for the past 12 months should be included

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

- Duty free entry for used household goods provided all the above documents can be supplied and the importation takes place within one year after the official change of residence.

MOTOR VEHICLES

- Please click the link below for detailed information regarding the Importation of cars and motorcycles.

[IMPORTATION OF CARS AND MOTORCYCLES](#)

PETS

- Import license
- Health certificate / microchip
- rabies certificate
 - Pets must be identifiable (tattoo or an electronic identification system) and vaccinated against rabies

DUTIABLE/RESTRICTED ITEMS

- Wine, alcohol, new furniture and household goods:

- Subject to import duties and VAT
- Antiques: Duty free, but subject to VAT
- Presents and souvenirs: subject to import duties and VAT
- Please always check in case clients want to ship items which are not 'normal' household goods and or personal effects.
- Ivory (CITES)
- Stuffed animals / animal skins
- Untreated wood
- Plants
- Coats, fur, and leather shoes made from protected animals (authorization from the territorial administration is required)

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Food: Not allowed to be imported as part of household goods (removal goods), but customs will accept a normal family provision. No perishable food. To be loaded at the doors.
- Drugs
- Tobacco
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NOTE - Customs regulations are subject to change at any time. The customs information provided is a brief summary of customs regulations applicable to household goods shipments to each destination country and is being provided for general guidance. We are not liable for any costs, damage, delays, duties, taxes or other detrimental events resulting from non-compliance, errors or omissions. Customers should always check full requirements with the local embassy or consulate.

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