

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal goods	<p><b>Settlers (immigrants, Student - visitor -work visa)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Landed immigrant (settlers)</li> <li>• Passport including the immigration identification validated upon arrival to Canada.</li> <li>• Detailed inventories (English/French) giving values and detailing appliances and electronics with make, model, serial number and values.</li> <li>• Advice notice obtained from the moving company.</li> <li>• Ownership, possession and use proofs.</li> <li>• Receipts of imported new items</li> <li>• Previous airport or US/Canada border declaration papers (B4E declaration form).</li> <li>• Liquor import declaration (if applicable).</li> <li>• Customs Manifest (Form A8A)</li> <li>• Importers Declaration for Customs</li> <li>• Immigration papers for immigrants</li> <li>• Landed Immigrant Application (if applicable)</li> <li>• Visa (if applicable)</li> <li>• Work Permit (if applicable)</li> <li>• Letter of Undertaking (not always necessary)</li> </ul> <p><b>Returning Canadians</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Returning Canadians will also need to provide the following documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Proof of Residency outside of Canada</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Duty free under the following conditions:</p> <p><b>SETTLERS (immigrants)</b> Goods and automobiles were owned and in possession and use in the former country of domicile prior direct removal from that country.</p> <p><b>FORMER RESIDENTS</b> They resume residence after an absence of not less than one year.</p> <p><b>SEASONAL RESIDENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Import of used household &amp; personal effects on a ONE time entry basis.</li> <li>• Goods cannot be sold for at least 1 year.</li> </ul> <p><b>STUDENT – VISITOR – WORK VIS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All items imported must be for personal use during the stay.</li> <li>• All goods must be exported upon leave out of Canada.</li> <li>• The goods may not be disposed of in Canada without customs authorization.</li> </ul> <p>Duty free entry for Canadian returning citizens</p> <p>Any single item of personal or household effects, including automobiles, that were acquired after March 31, 1977, and are valued <i>at more than \$10,000</i> are subject to regular duty and taxes on the <i>excess amount</i>.</p>	<p>Customs clearance of the shipment requires the presence of the shipper.</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT</b> <b>Since June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2008 the fast track programme which operated in Vancouver no longer exists. As such, clients may be expected to meet in person at the nearest customs office to attend an interview with CBSA.</b></p> <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copy of passport with any immigration/work permit papers.</li> <li>• Inventory.</li> <li>• B4E personal effects document</li> <li>• “Bringing your personal effects to Canada” form.</li> </ul> <p>A proof of purchase/copy of lease agreement is required for any person who is not a resident of Canada but owns a residential property or has leased a residence for at least 3 years for his/her personal use.</p> <p>For the most current information regarding household and personal effects, please go to: <a href="http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/menu-e.html">http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/menu-e.html</a></p> <p><b>FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE</b> Effective immediately (March 2001) all containers containing personal and household effects from the UNITED KINGDOM will be</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Monthly statements, letter from employer, rent receipts, Income Tax</li> </ul> <p><b>Seasonal Residents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Passport.</li> <li>● Detailed list of all items in English.</li> </ul>		<p>subject to a thorough inspection by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). The inspectors will be opening <i>every</i> consignment looking for meat/meat by products or footwear, garden tools, farm/agricultural equipment, etc. Anything which could have dirt on it.</p> <p>If anything shows signs of contamination by the foot-and-mouth disease, the contents will be placed back into the container and the entire load will be sealed and <i>ordered back</i> to the United Kingdom.</p> <p>All charges for the manpower to assist CFIA with the exam, CFIA fees, etc will be for the account of the cargo.</p>
Diplomats' removals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Obligation for privilege to be lodged by the Canadian Ministry of External Affairs.</li> <li>● Passport, inventory, arrival notice.</li> </ul>	Duty free entry.	
Wedding trousseaux	Inventory in English or French, Marriage certificate.	Duty free entry.	
Inheritance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Personal identification.</li> <li>● A detailed list of all items (English/French).</li> <li>● Advice Notice obtained from the moving company.</li> <li>● Copy of the Death Certificate, copy of the will or a letter from the Executor of the Estate stating you are a beneficiary.</li> <li>● A signed statement from the donor giving reason for the gift or a statement from the Executor of the Estate. (Gifts could be subject to import duties and taxes).</li> </ul>	Duty free entry if the imported items have been owned and used for at least six months prior to entry.	
New furniture, household items, presents and souvenirs		<b>SETTLERS &amp; IMMIGRANTS.</b> New furniture and household furniture are liable to payment of customs duties if they have not	Canada Customs require invoices and inventory of new goods. If duty and taxes are paid at time of import, the

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		been in the owner's previous use prior to their arrival to Canada.	goods may be sold at any time. If the goods are brought in and no duty or taxes are paid, then they cannot be disposed of at any time.
Works of art, Antiques	No documents required if part of household effects.	Duty free entry if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Works of art are forming part of a bona fide household removal</li> <li>• Articles are over 100 years old.</li> <li>• Are not for sale or other disposal.</li> </ul>	Antiques and works of art imported into Canada for resale, are subject to different regulations.
Motor vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passport.</li> <li>• Proof of ownership and previous registration</li> <li>• Insurance documents to be presented at time of clearing.</li> <li>• The car must comply to Canadian Standards</li> <li>• All vehicles will be inspected by the Canadian Agricultural Inspection Agency upon arrival into Canada.</li> </ul>	Motor vehicles imported into Canada cannot be licensed in Canada unless they have been cleared through Canada Customs. Used or second-hand vehicles of other than current-year manufacture are generally prohibited from importation into Canada. However, there are some exceptions to these rules, please be aware of the laws governing vehicle importation to avoid delays and difficulties.	<p>Shippers with cars still have to attend Customs in person.</p> <p>Should you require more detailed information, please contact: Transport Canada Vehicle Importation 13<sup>th</sup> Floor Canada building, 344 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N5 - Canada 1-613-998-2508.</p> <p>For more details on importing a Vehicle into Canada, please go to:  <a href="http://tc.gc.ca/roadsafety/importation/menu.htm">http://tc.gc.ca/roadsafety/importation/menu.htm</a></p>
Liquor and cigarettes	Import declaration must be obtained from the local Provincial Liquor Control Board.	Duties are payable	Duties will be assessed against valuations calculated by the Provincial Liquor Board levies and Canada Customs tariff. In excess of 320 oz. a permit is required prior to importation from the Provincial Liquor Board where the liquor is to be imported.
Firearms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detailed list (serial no. - type/calibre - model - brand).</li> <li>• Copies of licenses.</li> </ul>	All firearms coming into Canada are taken for detailed inspection and could be refused entry.	Do not ship firearms - check with Canadian Authorities first. In most cases an import-export license <u>must</u> be obtained before transport. When shipping firearms load them last in the container, and/or advise their location in the lift van. Remove firing pins before shipping.

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Hunting trophies		Restrictions to import apply.	Subject to inspection before Customs clearing.
Narcotics, drugs, incitements		Importation prohibited.	Please advise your customers that the Canadian Government has a policy of random checks for drugs, which results in the possibility of extra charges that can amount to \$500 or \$600 per 20' container.
Plants		Prohibited. Plants, also the earth, sand or other substance in which they are packed, are potential carriers of pests or diseases. Recognised" house plants" from the USA. for indoor use may be permitted.	
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaccination certificate.</li> <li>• Veterinary certificate confirming the pet is free of disease.</li> </ul>	Whether it concerns cats, dogs or any other kind of pets, it is advisable to check in advance.	Check with: Animal Health Division, Agriculture Canada, Ottawa, Ontario KIA OY9.
Meat and meat products		Allowed: up to 10 kg of CANNED and STERILIZED meats prepared by a reputable meat packer.	

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Endangered species		Canada is a signatory to an international agreement that controls the trade or movement of many animals, their fur, skin, bone, feathers, etc.	
Firewood	Import permit	To be permitted entry into Canada, firewood must meet one of the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must originate from a pest-free area</li> <li>• Must originate from an area of identical pest distribution</li> <li>• Must be treated in a CFIA approved manner</li> <li>• Must meet the certification systems as outlined in other pest-specific CFIA forestry policies.</li> </ul>	The implementation of the new firewood policy has begun on March 30, 2002.  The importation of uncertified raw firewood from all countries of the world is strictly prohibited.
Fumigation of imported and exported wooden crates	The Canadian Government adopted ISPM-15 (International standards for Phytosanitary Measures Publication 15) Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade (aka NIFM-15) to standardise the treatment of wood packing materials used for the transport of goods.  Details of the requirements will be provided as soon as possible.		