

IMPORTATION OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS AND PERSONAL GOODS

Returning South African Residents are allowed to take their personal and household effects (excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco products) back to South Africa without the payment of import duties and VAT, on condition that they can substantiate that they were abroad for at least six months for purposes other than touring or studying. An Inventory of the household / personal goods in the container and proof of change of residence must be produced to Customs at the time of clearance. These goods (excluding weapons, ammunition and motor vehicles) do not require an Import Permit.

At the time of departure for South Africa, **Immigrants and Temporary Residence Permit** holders are also allowed to import their personal and household effects into South Africa without the payment of import duties and VAT (excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco products). An Inventory of the goods in the container and the Residence Permit must be produced to Customs. **Foreign students and contract workers** will for example also qualify for the concession as they are changing their residence albeit temporarily. These goods (excluding weapons, ammunition and motor vehicles) do not require an Import Permit.

Customs clearance forms DA 304 and P.1.160 must be completed for the household / personal effects (copies attached). These formalities are normally completed by your shipping company's clearing agent. All the above-mentioned documents and permits should also be handed over to this person.

All household and personal effects must be brought into the country within six months. After this period has elapsed, special permission is needed in order to make use of the concession. Such requests will only be considered by Customs if the full reasons for the long lapse in time are provided. Requests of this nature should be directed to:

South African Revenue Service
Customs Commercial Services
Private Bag X923
Pretoria
0001
South Africa

NOTE: *If the Residence Permit is not yet available when the container arrives in South Africa, a cash deposit of $\pm 20\%$ will have to be paid to cover the full import duties and taxes on the household effects. These deposits are refundable on production of the required Residence Permit.*

Tourists must pay the full import duties and taxes on importation of household effects or furniture and, before shipment of the goods an Import Permit for all used goods must be obtained from the International Trade Administration Commission in Pretoria whose contact details appear hereunder:

International Trade Administration Commission
Director of Import and Export Control
Private Bag X 192
Pretoria
0001
South Africa

Tel +27 (0)12 428 70 00
Fax +27 (0)12 428 77 99

<p>REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA</p> <p>CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.</p> <p>Declaration by a natural person on change of residence to the republic with regard to household furniture, other household effects and other removable articles, including equipment necessary for the exercise of the calling, trade or profession of the person, other than industrial, commercial or agricultural plant and excluding motor vehicles, alcoholic beverages and tobacco goods</p>
<p>ITEM 407.06 OF SCHEDULE NO. 4 TO THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE ACT</p>

PERSONAL AND TRAVEL PARTICULARS

Name		Passport No. and nationality	
Address in RSA			
Number of adult dependants	Number of children dependants	Value of furniture, other household effects and other removable articles	R

1. An inventory of all household goods here concerned must be produced.

Notes:

2. A separate declaration (DA 304A) must be completed in respect of a motor vehicle

DECLARATION

<p>I,</p> <p>Hereby declare that I have permanently/temporarily changed the residence of myself and that of my family to the Republic of South Africa and that the household furniture, other household effects and other removable articles described above are the <i>bona fide</i> property of myself and my family, owned by us prior to our departure for South Africa.</p> <p>I further declare that none of the effects are intended for sale or disposal and hereby undertake to pay the duty due to the Commissioner for Customs and Excise if any of the articles are sold or disposed of within six months of the date of entry thereof for customs purposes.</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><i>Signature of Importer</i> <i>Date</i></p> <p>WITNESS: 1..... 2.....</p>	
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Returning S.A. resident after an absence of
Immigration permit No..... Date
Date of arrival (in passport)

INDICATE WITH X IN THE APPROPRIATE SPACE IF ANY OF THE UNDER-MENTIONED ITEMS ARE INCLUDED IN YOUR UNACCOMPANIED EFFECTS.

<input type="checkbox"/> PLANTS, BULBS, SEEDS	<input type="checkbox"/> BEER, WINE AND SPIRITUOUS OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
<input type="checkbox"/> SUGAR-CANE	<input type="checkbox"/> MANUFACTURED TOBACCO, CIGARS OR CIGARETTES
<input type="checkbox"/> RAW COTTON	<input type="checkbox"/> DRUGS, E.G. OPIUM, COCAINE, MORPHINE, MARIJUANA (INDIAN HEMP)
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER VEGETABLE MATTER AND FRUIT OF ANY DESCRIPTION	<input type="checkbox"/> TELEVISION RECEIVING SETS
<input type="checkbox"/> LIVE ANIMALS OR ANIMAL PRODUCTS	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER RADIOTELEGRAPHIC AND RADIOTELEPHONIC TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION APPARATUS (e.g. C.B. RADIOS. WALKIE-TALKIE. ETC.)
<input type="checkbox"/> LIVE FISH, CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS	<input type="checkbox"/> FILMS & RECORDED VIDEO TAPES
<input type="checkbox"/> PARROTS OR OTHER BIRDS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDECENT AND OBSCENE BOOKS OR OTHER OBJECTIONABLE ARTICLES
<input type="checkbox"/> UNCOOKED MEAT AND POULTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> FIRE-ARMS, AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES
<input type="checkbox"/> EGGS OF POULTRY OR BIRDS	<input type="checkbox"/> UNCUT DIAMONDS, UN-WROUGHT GOLD
<input type="checkbox"/> BEES AND THEIR LARVAE OR EGGS	<input type="checkbox"/> MOTOR CARS
<input type="checkbox"/> HONEY IN ANY FORM OR CONTAINED IN PREPARATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> MOTOR CYCLES
<input type="checkbox"/> BEESWAX	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES
<input type="checkbox"/> USED BEEHIVE APPLIANCES	

I, hereby declare that none of the above-mentioned items, with the exception of those marked with an "X", is included in my unaccompanied effects as reflected in Transport Document No.

.....
DATE
.....
SIGNATURE

<p>NOTE: - 1. Only a bill of entry for home consumption may be passed when this declaration is used.</p> <p>2. Articles marked with an "X" must be reflected separately on the bill of entry.</p> <p>3. When films/recorded videotapes are imported application for release must be made on the prescribed form.</p>
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