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Items	Needed Documents	Customs Regulations	Notes
Moved goods - All immigrants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inventory with continuous numbers and signature of client• Copy of passport with client's signature• True copy of proof of living abroad for the 12 months before the inscription/arrival in Belgium.• Proof of residence from the Belgian commune where client will take up residence.	Entry is free from duty for HHG provided the importation takes place within 12 months after the official change of residence.	Customs clearance through domicile visit is not typical but probable .
Moved goods - Belgian Nationals returning to Belgium	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Original proof of change of residence from the municipality in Belgium where the client lived prior to departure abroad.• Inventory with continuous numbers and signature of client.• Copy of passport with client's signature• True copy of proof of living abroad for the 12 months prior to inscription/arrival in Belgium.• Proof of residence from the Belgian commune where client will take up residence.	If all documents are not presented, guarantee must be paid. The guarantee amounts to 10% of Customs duties and 21 % VAT plus an eventual disciplinary penalty.	If the owner of the removal goods has lived in Belgium before. The total amount is refunded 180 days later on presentation of the original proof of residence, or other missing documents.
Moved goods to secondary residence in Belgium	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Copy of passport with clients signature.• Certificate of residence abroad• Inventory with continuous numbers and signature of client.• Copy of lease or sale contract of the 2nd residence.• Letter for the director of Customs requesting importation of HHG in order to furnish the second residence.		If accepted by Customs, importation VAT and Customs duty is free.
Diplomatic goods	Declaration 136 F signed and stamped by	Signatures and stamp shown on the	



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	official with authority of the Embassy, and by the customer.	declaration 136 F must be on record at the Customs office, where the importation takes place.	
Bridal clothes and presents	Marriage Certificate and same documents as for Removal Goods Also the record must show the value of each item and must be endorsed "These are wedding gifts".	Entry is free from duty provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The country of origin is granting the same rights (this does not apply to private vehicles and cattle, wedding presents, and goods to be used for commercial purposes). • The importation is made 60 days prior to the marriage or within 120 days after. • The Items correspond in nature and quantity to the social standing of the party concerned. • No items' value may exceed BF 450.000 (11.155 EURO). • Items are manifestly part of their HHG. • Liquor or alcohol is prohibited. 	Entry free form duty is only granted once, on the occasion of the marriage. Shipment may be imported under one name or both names.
Heirlooms/Bequest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Death certificate • Inventory in two copies(with signature). • Certificate from the Town Hall of his place of residence or proof of identity issued before the death (proving that the heir is an inhabitant of the Belgo-Luxemburg - Economic-Union). • Proof that the customer is an heir, through an attestation from a notary or certified copy or extract of the declaration of succession. • Application form for duty free entry. 	Entry is free from duty provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The items are already been used. • The recipient of the exemption has his principal residence in the Belgo-Luxemburg -Economic-Union. • The importation takes place within 180 days of the date at which the goods were at the disposal of the heir. <p>The exemption does not apply to items to be used for profitable purposes, such as commercial vehicle, semi-finished and finished products,raw, cattle and agricultural equipment.</p>	The date at which the goods are at the disposal of the heirs can be any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • date of solution of disputes • date of the death • date of the consignment of payment of the death duties • date of issue of the export permit, given that, in regards to the last 3 dates, the party involved has not adjourned these due to negligence or fault. <p>Objects, which for humanitarian reasons and with the consent of the heirs, remain in use by the surviving spouse, can be imported within 6 months of the date at which the objects were</p>



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			placed at the disposal of the heirs. The same tolerance applies to objects left at the disposal of the person surviving a close relationship he or she lived with.
Household effects and new furniture	Proof of purchase (Original copy).	<i>Liabie for payment of Customs duty and VAT.</i>	Exact percentage depends on the nature of the items.
Antiquity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of Purchase with supplier's signature. • Certificate of age (showing that the items are more than 100 years old). 	Antiques can be imported without customs duty, but subject to VAT.	VAT is 6%.
Valued metal objects		Entry is free from duty provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items are manifestly part of their HHG. • Items correspond in nature and quantity to the social standing of the party involved. 	
Cars/ Motor cars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport with client's signature. • Motorcars must be shown on the inventory, with chassis number, mark, motor number and type and color of the coachwork. • Insurance document valid for 180 days prior to the car's importation. • True copy of certificate of title. • European or Belgian insurance document and the pink inscription form. • Sales contract/ proof of purchase. • Proof of residence from the Belgian commune where client will take up residence. • <i>Authorized</i> proof of living abroad during 12 months before the arrival/registration in Belgium. 	Entry is free from duty if the owners have had the car for their own use and in possession for at least 180 days prior to the change of residence and that taxes (sales tax or VAT) were paid in country of origin.	Customer must also be importing removal goods in order to get a VAT and import without any customs duty. If feasible, license plates needs to be kept on the car to avoid troubles.
Other motor vehicles, except	Customs form (Benelux 4 certificate issued	For trailers, entry is free from duty provided:	



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motorcars (trailers, caravans, etc.)	against deposit of triptyque or carnet): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the trailer, semi-trailer or caravan is not imported under the conditions shown in the column " Customs Regulations". If imported with another means of transport (e.g.: trailers, which arrived per ship and continue their journey per road, after having been connected to a tractor vehicle, registered in Belgium or in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The trailer is drawn at the time of importation by a motor-road-vehicle registered overseas. The trailer, if not registered abroad, shows evident of used. 	
Equipment ,Machines, and Appliances.		Entry free from duty but with some restrictions.	Entry is free from duty if goods are manifestly part of their HHG. The items correspond in nature and quantity to the social standing of the party involved.
Weapons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name, number and calibre of the firearms must figure on the inventory. Shooting license Some firearms must be registered with the local Police department and registration of license is required. 		Firearms must be put in a way that they can be easily taken out of the removal goods For Customs inspection.
Vegetable products and Plants	Certificate of Phytosanitary made by the Ministry of Agriculture of the country of origin		
Pets	Proof of vaccination (vaccination against rabies).	Importation is allowed.	The certificate must be dated at least 1 month before the entry into Belgium but cannot be older than 12 months.
Gifts, Memorabilia		Liable for Customs duty.	
Woods			Important policies on Wood valid for all EU countries.