



WORLD BAGGAGE

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SWITZERLAND

| Items | Needed Documents | Customs Regulations | Notes |
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| Moved goods | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original Customs form 18.44 for removal goods. Inventory of the goods written in French, German or Italian. <p>Swiss nationals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copy of passport. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration in the cantonal office of the population. <p>Foreign nationals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copy of passport. Swiss residence permit (or equivalent official document) written in French. Lease or property title of the new apartment or house in Switzerland. | <p>Entry is free from duty if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shipper has used the goods for at least 180 days before the change of residence . Removal has to take place within 12 months after the change of residence. | <p>Your destination representative will provide customs forms . Copies are not acknowledged. Subsequent shipments are feasible but have to be declared (with inventory) when clearing the first shipment.</p> |
| Diplomatic goods | <p>Application for free entry on form 14.60 to be made by Embassy to the Customs Office of importation as requested.</p> | <p>Application for free entry on form 14.60 to be made by Embassy to the Customs Office of the Canton who will pass authorization for diplomatic clearance to the Customs Office of importation as requested.</p> | <p>Customs form on file with most foreign Embassies and Consulates.</p> |
| Bridal Clothes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marriage certificate/ Proof of marriage Customs form 18.45 Inventory of the items Residence permit for both partners. | <p>Entry is free from duty if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goods will be used for another 1 year. Shipment has to take place within 90 days after the civil marriage. | <p>If only used articles are imported : Clearance as "moved goods " with documents as stipulated above.</p> |
| Heirlooms/Bequest | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customs form 18.46 . Inventory of the goods with supporting legal declaration proving that the goods to be imported are the legatee's rightful shares of the estate. Certificate of death or equivalent document stating the last residence of the deceased. Swiss residence permit of the legatee. | <p>Entry is free from duty if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legatee has residence in Switzerland at time of death and at time of import. Only used household goods and effects can be imported duty-free as inheritance goods . | <p>If value of shipment is less than SFr.1.000.-, documents can be submitted at time of clearance.</p> <p>For all other shipments , a previous application to the Customs Authorities must be made.</p> |
| Household effects and new furniture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proof of Purchase Forms EUR 1 certificate of origin where | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All new items are subject to payment of duties and taxes. | <p>Must be declared separately according to customs tariff headings. Individual weights on</p> |



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| | applicable, to allow duty-free entry (EEC/EFTA-countries) or entry at reduced rates from some other countries. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duty is charged on the weight. Taxes: VAT is charged at 7.5 %. As from January 2001, VAT will be at 7,6 %. | proof of purchase or packing list are helpful. |
| Artwork | None, if part of removal. | Duty free without special documents if part of a removal. | If not part of a removal, same as under New furniture, but duty and tax-free when imported by the artist himself. |
| Antiquity | SEE ARTW ORK If not part of a removal: - invoice with confirmation that they are over 100 years old. | Antiquity can be imported duty free but are liable to taxes (see under New furniture). | |
| Automobiles (cars, planes, boats, etc) | Foreign registration card. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The owner must have used the motor vehicle at least 180 days prior to the change of residence. The owner must sign a declaration not to sell the vehicle for another 1 year. | If sold before, duties and taxes will be imposed. |
| Liquor (i.e. wine, beer etc.) | To be declared on separate inventory. | Entry is free from duty if part of the removal and in a reasonable quantity appropriate to the case of the owner. Reasonable is considered to be up to approx 200 litres max. Higher limit might be allowed with supporting documents to prove that the wine has been in the owner's possession for considerable time before the move. Check in advance with a Swiss colleague. | To be loaded to allow easy access for inspection. If bought especially for export and not in owners possession prior to the move, dutiable, and maybe subject to import quotas. |
| Strong liquor (over 25% proof) | Must be declared on separate inventory. | Entry is free from duty up to 12 litres. | For additional quantity, very heavy duties and taxes are applied (over SFr.50.-- per bottle). |
| Firearms | Exact description on inventory caliber, make, model etc. | Some require import permit to be acquired from Federal Authorities in Bern. Others not, depend on exact type. | To be loaded to allow easy access for customs examination. |
| Plants | None, if in logical quantity together with removal (plant health certificate helpful). | If not together with removal or large quantities, health certificate is needed. | |
| Pets (dogs, cats, birds) | Health and vaccination certificate proving that the animal has been vaccinated against rabies, issued not less than 30 days and no | | |



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| | more than 12 months ago. | | |
| Export removals | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inventory in two copies.• Export declaration form 1 1.030 | | Export declaration can be supplied and accomplished by a Swiss colleague. |