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Personal and Household effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inventory of goods. • Combined Quarantine and Customs Declaration form. • Original passport or a certified true copy of the passport (identification page and entry visa only) 	No duty / tax for first time migrants (who hold permanent residency), 'work to residence' visa holders, holders of work permit for longer than 12 months or New Zealand residents returning from an overseas absence of more than 21 months.	Owner of goods must complete Quarantine and Customs Declaration in New Zealand. Cane ware, Rattan ware, Basket ware etc may be required to be fumigated. Also items that have been in contact with the earth / soil e.g. Golf Clubs, tents, hiking equipment / boots etc. may be required to be fumigated or steam cleaned.
Diplomatic shipments (personal / household effects)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diplomatic declaration. • Inventory of goods. 	Declaration to be signed by Consulate.	
Wedding trousseaux (included with personal / household effects)	Inventory.	As per clothing - duty free.	
Inheritance	Death certificate and either letter from Executor or Copy of Will.	Goods are admitted free of duty provided a copy of Will or Executor's letter is sighted.	The name of the beneficiary and his/her legacy must be specified.
New furniture, Household items, Presents and Souvenirs (included with personal / household effects)	Purchase invoices / receipts	New furniture, etc. may be liable for duty and GST (Goods & Services Tax).	



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Works of art and Antiques (included with personal / household effects)	If recently purchased prior to shipment by importer purchase invoice / receipt required. B.A.D.A. Certificate for antiques from United Kingdom.	If recently purchased prior to shipment duty and GST may apply.	
Jewellery etc. (included with personal / household effects)	Inventory.	Duty free subject to conditions of "Personal and Household Effects".	
Motor cars, motor cycles and motor scooters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport. • Drivers' licence. • Copy of overseas registration papers • Copy of purchase invoice / receipt. 	<p>FIRST TIME IMMIGRANTS WITH PERMANENT RESIDENCY STATUS AND RETURNING NEW ZEALANDERS WHO HAVE BEEN OVERSEAS FOR MORE THAN 21 MONTHS:</p> <p>There is no duty on motor vehicles being imported into New Zealand (duty is however applicable on motor homes for nonqualifying migrants).</p> <p>To qualify for tax (GST) free entry the importer must have owned and used the vehicle overseas for at least 12 months prior to handing it in for shipment or their departure from New Zealand (whichever is the earliest date). The owner will be required to sign a 'Deed of Undertaking' with NZ Customs confirming that if they sell or dispose of the vehicle within 2 years of import they agree to pay the GST that would normally have applied.</p>	<p>Importer / owner must personally visit Customs to sign 'Deed of Undertaking'. After clearances (MAF and Customs) are completed motor vehicle will be required to be tested for certification to New Zealand Safety and Compliance Standards - IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OWNER CHECKS PRIOR TO SHIPMENT THAT VEHICLE WILL COMPLY. For full details refer to website for the Land Transport Safety Authority – www.ltsa.govt.nz It is recommended that motor vehicles be steam-cleaned prior to shipment however this is not a guarantee MAF will nor order again on arrival in New Zealand.</p>



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		<p>ALL OTHER MIGRANTS AND RETURNING NEW ZEALANDERS WHO HAVE BEEN OVERSEAS LESS THAN 21 MONTHS:</p> <p>GST will be payable at 12.50% of the vehicles CIF value (purchase price, freight and marine insurance).</p> <p>An allowance for depreciation may be made depending on length of ownership overseas. For full details refer to website for NZ Customs – www.customs.govt.nz</p>	
Left-hand-Drive Motor Vehicles			Vehicle cannot be sold unless converted to right hand drive.
Caravans, Trailers		Refer 'personal and household effects'	
Boats	Basically same as for motor vehicles. For full details refer to NZ Customs website – www.customs.govt.nz		Strongly recommend apply N.Z. Customs for clarification with exact details.
Firearms		Pistols and revolvers prohibited. Used rifles and shotguns subject to conditions of "Removal goods". For full details refer to NZ Police website – www.police.govt.nz	Import and Firearms Licence must be obtained from NZ Police. Rifles / shotguns will be seized by NZ Customs pending production of Firearms Licence.



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Narcotics (Drugs), Incitements.		Importation prohibited.	This includes equipment used with drugs – bong pipes etc.
Plants and Vegetable products.		Most plants and products prohibited.	Must not despatch without checking whether allowed entry. VERY STRICT REGULATION. For full details refer to NZ Quarantine Service (MAF) website - www.maf.govt.nz
Pets (dogs, cats)	Health certificate.	Duty free entry.	Can be subject to strict quarantine regulations. For full details refer to NZ Quarantine Service (MAF) website – www.maf.govt.nz
Pornographic material		Importation prohibited.	
Other prohibited items			Certain types of weapons such as flick knives, swordsticks, knuckle-dusters, and any weapon designed or disguised to give the appearance of another article. Ivory, turtle and tortoise and other endangered species (except with CITES certification). Meat and meat products (except canned). Honey, Eggs and egg products, Popcorn. For further advise refer to MAF website - www.maf.govt.nz



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Wooden Packaging

Effective 1st July 2006 any wood packaging used in shipments entering New Zealand must comply with the ISPM 15 standard and carry the appropriate mark. Consignments that contain non-compliant wood packaging will be treated, destroyed or re-exported at the discretion of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF). Regardless of action taken by MAF considerable extra costs will be incurred by shipper and clearances will be delayed.

For more information please visit:
www.biosecurity.govt.nz/woodpackaging