

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 in terms of rebate item 407.06 of Schedule No 4 to the Customs and Excise Act, 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.

The following will be required for the importation of personal effects and household goods:

- Inventory of the goods;
- P1.160 Declaration in respect of unaccompanied manifested household effects
- DA 304 Item 407.06 Scheduling No. 4 to the Customs and Excise Act ; and
- SAD 500 Customs Declarations Form

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 +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)

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

MOTOR VEHICLE

DECLARATION BY A NATURAL PERSON ON PERMANENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE TO THE REPUBLIC ITEM 407.04 SCHEDULE No. 4 TO THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE ACT OF 1964

PERSONAL AND TRAVEL PARTICULARS

Name		Passport No.	
Address		Nationality	
Mode of travel		Place of departure	
Place of arrival		Date of arrival	

PARTICULARS OF MOTOR VEHICLE

Type of motor vehicle		Year of manufacture	
Date of purchase		Value of vehicle	
Date of registration of vehicle in name of importer			
Date on which physical delivery was taken from seller			
Date and place of handing over for shipment			
Date of shipment (Bill of lading date)			

NOTES

1. Documentary proof in support of these particulars must be furnished.

2. A separate declaration (DA 304) must be completed in respect of household effect.

DECLARATION

I, hereby declare that -

*(i) I am an immigrant

*(ii) I am a returning South African resident who left the Republic with the intention to settle permanently in

(*Delete which is not applicable)

and that I have permanently changed the residence of myself and my family to the Republic of South Africa, that the motor vehicle described above is the *bona fide* property of myself and has been owned and used by me for the period of year(s) months prior to my departure for the Republic of South Africa and that it was not acquired under a tax rebate scheme.

I further declare that the motor vehicle here concerned will not be offered for sale, advertised, lent, hired, leased, pledged, given away, exchanged, sold or otherwise disposed of within two years of the date of entry thereof under rebate of duty without payment of duty as specified in the Regulations.

I undertake to pay the applicable duty as specified in the Regulations should I be absent without the vehicle in question for a period of longer than 3 months from the place where such a vehicle is usually used in the Republic.

Signature of Importer Witnesses: 1.

Date 2.

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Immigration Permit No.		Date		Date of arrival (in passport)	
Remarks:					

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"/>	BEEES 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"/>	BEEESWAX	<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.

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DATE

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SIGNATURE

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

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SAD 500 - CUSTOMS DECLARATION FORM

2. EXPORTER/CONSIGNOR		TIN		1. DECLARATION		A. OFFICE OF DESTINATION OR DEPARTURE	
		BSIC				OFF. CODE MANIFEST NUMBER	
8. IMPORTER/CONSIGNEE		TIN		3. FORMS		4. REGISTRATION NO. ASSESSMENT NO AND DATE	
		BSIC					
14. DECLARANT/AGENT		TIN		5. ITEMS		6. TOT PACK	
						7. DECLARANT Reference NO. RECEIPT NO. & DATE	
18. IDENTIFICATION, DATE AND NATIONALITY OF TRANSPORT AT ARRIVAL		19. CONTAINER		9.		10.	
				11.		12. VALUE DETAILS	
21. IDENTIFICATION, DATE AND NATIONALITY OF TRANSPORT AT FRONTIER		25. TMF		26. TMI		13.	
						13A. INVOICE NO. AND DATE	
29. OOE		30. LOCATION OF GOODS		15. COE		16. COO	
				17. COD		17A. OWNER CODE Code	
31. PACKAGES AND DESCRIPTION OF GOODS		MARKS AND NUMBERS		32. ITEM		20. DELIVERY TERMS	
						22. CURRENCY AND TOTAL VALUE	
44. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/ PRODUCED DOCUMENTS		LICENCE NUMBER		DEDUCTED VALUE		DEDUCTED QUANTITY	
47. CALCULATION OF DUTIES AND TAXES		TYPE		DUTY/TAX BASE		RATE	
48. ACCOUNT CODE		49. IDENTIFICATION OF WAREHOUSE/TIME		REMOVAL IN BOND (R.I.B.) NO, DATE & OFFICE		REBATE CODE	
				46. STATISTICAL VALUE			
DECLARATION		I, _____ the undersigned of _____		being the _____ (agent) hereby declare that the particulars herein are true and correct and comply with the provisions of the Customs and Excise Act.		40. SUMMARY DECLARATION / PREVIOUS DOC	
						41. SUPP. UNITS	
FOR OFFICIAL USE		Signature		I.D number		Date	
DECLARATION		TOTAL		SUMMARY OF TOTAL DUTIES AND TAXES		TOTAL DUTIES & TAXES	
						AMOUNT OVERPAID	
DECLARATION		TOTAL		SUMMARY OF TOTAL DUTIES AND TAXES		AMOUNT UNDERPAID	
						OTHER	
DECLARATION		TOTAL		SUMMARY OF TOTAL DUTIES AND TAXES		TOTAL PAYABLE	
						GUARANTEE	
DECLARATION		TOTAL		SUMMARY OF TOTAL DUTIES AND TAXES		Code	
						Amount	

