

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
<p><b>Removal goods - HHG</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Original B/L or AWB or copy of telex/express release.</li> <li>• Detailed inventory.</li> <li>• Passport copy with Qatar work / residence permits.</li> <li>• No-Objection letter to import HHG's into the country (typed in Arabic) on the original letter head of employer / sponsor in Qatar.</li> </ul>	<p>There will be no custom duty for USED PERSONAL EFFECTS and HHG.</p> <p>Duty: 5% on CIF value plus legalization charges IMPORTED AFTER 6 MONTHS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NEW as from September 2017:</b> Pallets have to be used in all goods shipments as from 30 June 2017. As from that date, it will not be permitted to clear goods shipped unless there are on pallets, in line with guidelines SPM-15 on wood packaging for pallets and lift vans. Penalties will be imposed if case of infringement to the rule and the goods might be returned back to origin destination.</li> <li>• Shipments to be declared as used household goods and personal effects.</li> <li>• All shipments are subject to 100% physical inspection.</li> <li>• Computer equipment requires a separate clearance procedure through Qatar customs. If a computer is included in the shipment, specifications should be sent prior to arrival in order to obtain Qatar Telecommunication approval.</li> <li>• LCL shipments arriving POE Doha are taking up to two weeks in port to be de-consolidated. Therefore, Customs clearance and delivery after vessel arrival can take up to three weeks.</li> </ul> <p>Groupage shipments are causing considerable problems, as the complete content of the</p>

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			<p>container is off-loaded before Customs clearance can begin.</p> <p>No one is allowed to have access to the goods until Customs officials have completed clearance, leading to problems during re-packing.</p> <p>Shipment arrives after 6 months of the pax first entry in Qatar there will be duty applicable.</p> <p>Customs has the right to charge duty on any shipments found UNDER VALUED/IMPORTED after 6 months (later during Audit).</p>
<b>Diplomatic removals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Original B/L or AWB.</li> <li>• Detailed inventory.</li> <li>• Letter of protocol from the relevant Embassy must be processed with the Qatar Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</li> </ul>	<p>Once protocol letter received, shipment is normally exempted inspection and duty free clearance into Qatar but these remains at the discretion of the customs director.</p> <p>Import of alcohol is allowed for diplomats but limited to annual quota agreed by the local Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the respective embassies in the country and it should be declared in the packing list and MOFA letter.</p>	
<b>New furniture</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legalised CIF invoice.</li> <li>• Certificate of origin.</li> <li>• Inventory.</li> <li>• B/L or AWB.</li> </ul>	Duty: 5% on CIF value plus legalization charges.	Invoice and C/O have to be endorsed by a Qatar Embassy at origin and received by destination agent prior to shipment's arrival.
<b>Motor vehicles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Original registration certificate.</li> <li>• Insurance policy.</li> </ul>	5% duty plus legalization charges on CIF value may be charged at the discretion of customs.	For registration:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invoice (if available).</li> </ul>	For all vehicle(s) older than one year, a pre-alert, with all details included, is required seven to ten days in advance of vehicle(s) arrival.	<p>Proof of ownership at origin and original import manifest are required. Owner must be resident in Qatar prior registration in her/his name. Possibility for a single shipper to import more than one vehicle.</p> <p>Import of vehicles older than five years is forbidden.</p>
<b>Cats &amp; dogs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health certificate dated no more than 2 weeks prior to date of arrival.</li> <li>Import licence issued in Qatar.</li> </ul>	Following dogs require at least 2 weeks' notice and may be rejected: Boxers, Bulldogs, Rottweilers, Pugs, Great Danes, Dobermans, Shar Pei's and Japanese Akitas.	Health certificate has to be issued by government approved veterinary clinics and faxed at least 3 days prior to arrival.
<b>Audio/video tapes, books and CDs</b>		Subject to screening by the Ministry of Information.	Returned within 14 working days.
<p><b>Alcoholic beverages, pork, wireless transmitters / receivers, fire arms, explosives, narcotics, swords, daggers and pornographic material, items made out of ivory,</b></p> <p>Any products that have not been either: (1) manufactured in Qatar in accordance with the law; or (2) legally imported into Qatar.</p>		<p>Prohibited.</p> <p>Import of alcohol is allowed for diplomats but limited to annual quota agreed by the local Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the respective embassies in the country and it should be declared in the packing list and MOFA letter.</p>	All prohibited articles detained by customs may be destroyed without consignee's consent.

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Political and religious literature/articles deemed offensive to the Qatar government and the Islamic faith.			



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