



### **PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED GOODS:**

Drugs and narcotics are prohibited. There are restrictions on importation of firearms, ammunition, ivory, skins and food.

### **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS:**

#### **Household / Personal Effects goods can be imported duty free providing that:**

- All items (including automobiles, aircrafts, boats etc.) have been used and owned by the importer for at least 6 months.
- The importer continues to keep all items for their own and personal use (at least one year for automobiles).
- The importation takes place during the 1 year period of transfer of the residence.
- Any foreseen subsequent consignment must be reported and listed at the time of the first importation.
- Up to 200 litres of alcohol below 25° can be imported duty and tax free and a maximum of 12 litres of alcohol over 25°.

#### **Required documentation to be supplied prior to importation:-**

1. Immigrants personal customs declaration (Customs form 18.44 – Excess Luggage will supply this form).
2. Detailed inventory of the goods (in French, German or Italian) New items must be listed and valued separately on the inventory.
3. Photostat copy of the passports basic data.
4. Lease or property title of the residence in Switzerland.
5. The Swiss residence permit (or equivalent official certificate).
6. Copy of the registration card and license of motor vehicle.

#### **Vehicles:-**

Cars may be imported duty free provided that the owner has used them for at least 6 months overseas. New cars are subject to VAT, duty and statistical tax.

#### **Pets:-**

##### **(Excess Luggage does not carry pets).**

Dogs and cats do not require quarantine provided that they have been vaccinated against rabies at least 30 days before. A certificate to this effect must be produced together with a copy of the passport. Under certain circumstances, when these documents cannot all be met at the time the shipment is being cleared, it is possible to obtain a temporary entry. In such cases it is required to put up a bond with Swiss

Customs for as long as the entry is not finalized. The missing document has to be presented within 6 months.

Please note that customs will charge additional cost for the temporary clearance, around SFr.100.00-300.00

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