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Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal Goods	 Passport. Exit certificate or certificate of stay abroad for at least 12 months (confirmation from the local authority of the previous residence, confirmation by firm or other official proof). Inventory in triplicate. Valid Residence Registration Form (primary residence!) Power of Attorney (original) Austrian Customs Forms (original) 	Only used goods, which have been owned and used for at least 6 months by the immigrants and are intended for use in the country.	Removal goods can be imported into Austria duty free within 1 year from the change of residence. After customs clearance, the removal goods are blocked for 12 months, i.e. within this period the removal goods may neither be sold nor given away unless the customs duties are subsequently paid. Customers who have lived in the European Union prior to the import may need a permit for duty-free importation of hhgs ("Grundlagenbescheid") to be obtained at customs office nearest to residence. Please contact your destination agent if this permit is necessary. This permit can be obtained by customer or by your destination
			agent.
Diplomatic removals	 Packing list in triplicate. Valid passport Austrian Customs Forms (original) for diplomatic goods, completed and signed by the Embassy/Organisation and attested by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. 	New goods can also be imported.	
Wedding trousseaux	 Original passport. Marriage certificate (notice of banns alone is not enough). List in triplicate of the goods to be 	New goods can also be imported duty free.	
	 imported, with declaration by the applicant that the goods are dowry (they can also be new goods). Attestation from the Austrian partner to the marriage that he was resident in Austria for at least 6 months before the marriage. Valid Residence Registration Form (primary residence!) 		

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Inheritance	 Passport of the heir. Inheritance certificate (attested by the courts or by a Notary). Inventory (attested by the courts or by a Notary). Valid Residence Registration Form (primary residence!) 	The inheritance goods must be used and may be sold by the heir within 6 months.	
New furniture domestic	Invoice for goods in duplicate.	Subject to customs duty and tax.	
appliances, gifts, souvenirs	 Certificate of circulation of goods and import permit where applicable. 		
Machinery and equipment		Free of duty as removal goods.	
Objects of art, antiques	Invoice for goods in duplicate (if applicable, expert appraisal).	 Antiques, if over 100 years of age are duty free but subject to VAT. Objects of art are subject to customs duty and tax. 	For antiques as a rule a certificate of appraisal from an Austrian expert is required.
Gifts	 Purchase invoice in duplicate. Import permit where applicable. Certificate of origin. 	Subject to customs duty and tax.	
Passenger cars, motorcycles, motor scooters, mopeds	 Same as removal goods, but in addition vehicle papers (type certificate). invoice or purchase order Copy of registration or copy of title certificate 	Free of duty only in connection with a move. Vehicles must be in use and possession of the emigrant for at least 6 months in country of departure. A tax called "NOVA" (between 8 and 14% of the actual value) has to be paid at the time of registration. NOVA means "Normverbrauchsabgabe" (standard consumption tax) and is calculated on the average gas consumption of the individual model. Owner of car must have been outside of the EC for at least 12 months.	The vehicle cannot be cleared together with removal goods. After customs clearance, the passenger cars, motorcycles, motor scooters, mopeds are blocked for 12 months, i.e. within this period they may neither be sold nor given away unless the customs duties and VAT are subsequently paid. A separate customs clearance at the competent customs office is necessary (not every customs office is authorised for customs clearance). If the inward journey is made in the own car, then application should be made to the Austrian frontier customs office for the issue of the T 1 Form.
Caravans, trailers motor boats	Same as passenger cars.	Free of duty.	Same as passenger cars.
Firearms	Same as removal goods.	Special official permit necessary.	Import of pump guns forbidden.

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Spirits, cigarettes, tobacco, perfumes	Same as removal goods.	Only the permitted amounts for travellers are free of duty and tax.	Subject to import permit, heavy import duties, complicated customs clearance (we advise
Portumos			against importing).
Plants and plant products	Same as removal goods, but additionally plant protection certificate.	Free of duty.	
Domestic animals	Veterinary certificate.	Free of duty.	Cats and dogs may be imported without
	 Inoculation certificate. 		problems. Other animals on request.
Drugs		Import forbidden.	

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