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Dutiable Goods & Prohibited Items



DUTIABLE GOODS

Visitors must pay customs duties on all dutiable goods at the rate of 30% ad valorem provided that the goods are imported on or with the person entering Malaysia or are in the baggage of such person and intended for non-commercial use.

In the case of alcoholic beverages, tyres and tubes, spirits, tobacco and cigarettes and motor vehicles, the rate of duty will be the prevailing rate at the time of importation.

The following are some goods which are dutiable on import:

1. Talcum powder and face powder.
2. Products for the care of hair (e.g. hair cream, shampoo, hair dyes).
3. Sound recorders and reproducers including record players and tape decks.
4. Radio broadcast receivers including those incorporating sound recorders or reproducers for motor vehicles.
5. Radio broadcast receivers whether or not incorporating sound recorders and reproducers.
6. Ball point pens of artificial plastic material.
7. Carpets other than those made of jute.
8. Textile articles.
9. Typewriters.
10. Glassware.
11. Telephones.
12. Electric smoothing irons.
13. Video cassette recorders.
14. Slide projectors.
15. Electric lamps and light fittings.
16. Food grinders and mixers.
17. Rice cookers.
18. Electric kettles.
19. Gramophone records.
20. Razors and razor blades.
21. Kitchen knives.
22. Locks and padlocks.
23. Lamp shades.
24. Handbags.
25. Playing cards.
26. Fruits (fresh and preserved).
27. Chocolates.
28. Ginseng.
29. Calendars.
30. Car accessories.
31. Footwear.
32. Golf balls.

PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED IMPORTS

The importation of the following goods is absolutely prohibited to protect certain industries, prevent the introduction of pests, plant and animal diseases and to control controversial publications:

1. Any article bearing the imprint or reproduction of any currency note, bank note, or coin which are current or have at any time been issued or current in any country.
2. Any emblem or device in circumstances which raise a reasonable presumption that such emblem or device was intended or was likely to be used in a manner prejudicial to the interest of the Federation or to promote or foster a purpose prejudicial to or incompatible with peace, welfare or good order in the Federation.
3. Cocoa pods, rambutans, pulasan, longan, and nam-nam fruits from the Philippines and Indonesia.
4. Indecent or obscene prints, paintings, photographs, books, cards, lithographic or other engravings, films, video tapes, laser discs, colour slides, computer diskettes and any other media (including unprocessed films) or any other indecent or obscene articles.
5. All goods from Haiti.
6. All genus of Piranha fish.
7. Turtle eggs.
8. Daggers and flick knives.
9. Sodium arsenite.
10. Intoxicating liquors containing any lead or compound of lead or more than 3.46 milligrams per litre, whether in the form of copper or any compound of copper.
11. Broadcast receivers capable of receiving radio communication within the ranges (68-87) MHz and (108-174) MHz except those designed to receive meteorological broadcasts at spot frequencies (except those for the use of the telecommunication authorities).
12. Pens, pencils and other articles resembling syringes.
13. Poisonous chemicals i.e crocidolite, Polybrominated Biphenyls, Poly- chlorinated Biphenyls, Poly- chlorinated Terphenyls and Tris (2,3-dibromopropyl) Phosphate.
14. Cloth bearing the imprint or reproduction of any verses of the Quran.
15. All multicolour copying machines including Rank Xerox 6500, Canon NP Colour T and Ricoh Colour 500.
16. The importation of goods specified below is prohibited except under and by virtue of an import licence:
17. Any animal or bird, other than a domestic animal or domestic fowl, whether alive or dead or any part thereof including all animals and birds specified in any written law in the Federation.
18. Meat extracts and meat juices.
19. Domestic animal, alive or dead or any part thereof, including edible meat offals.
20. Video machines, excluding game watches and video games for use with television receivers.
21. Rice and padi including rice flour, rice polishing, rice bran and rice vermicelli.

22. Radio communications apparatus capable of being used for telecommunication in the frequency band lower than 3000 GHz.
23. Fireworks (including fire crackers).
24. Imitation arms including toy guns and toy pistols.
25. Imitation hand grenades.
26. Arms and ammunition as defined under the Arms Act 1960, other than personal arms and ammunition imported by bonafide travellers.
27. Bullet-proof vests, steel helmets and other articles of clothing as protection against attack.
28. Pests including any vertebrate or invertebrate animal.
29. Soil including earth, ground or other natural occurring organic and mineral in which plants may be grown.
30. Sugars.
31. Safety helmets (except as worn by motor-cyclists or motorcycle pillion riders).
32. Apparatus or equipment to be attached to or connected to a Public Telecommunication network or system.
33. Household and agricultural pesticides.
34. Electrical apparatus for domestic use operating at 50 volts or 120 volts DC and above such as Hi Fi sets, electric smoothing irons, food mixers, hair dryers, rice cookers, television sets, electric kettles etc.
35. Motor vehicles.
36. Cabbages (round).
37. Batik sarong.
38. Saccharin and its salts.
39. Eggs in the shell.
40. Poultry.
41. Explosives.
42. Live fish.
43. Parabolic antennae for outdoor use.
44. Pests and organisms which are capable of being injurious to plants.
45. Milk and milk products.
46. Animal oils and fats.
47. Plants including any species of plant or any part thereof whether live or dead.
48. Toxic and/or hazardous wastes.
49. Corals, alive or dead.
50. Apparatus / equipment for the brewing of beer in the home.

ALLOWANCES FOR VISITORS

Visitors may import some goods duty free if they satisfy the following conditions:

1. That the articles are imported by the visitor on his person or in his baggage.
2. That the visitor satisfies the Customs Officer that he is not normally resident in Malaysia and intends to visit Malaysia for a period of not less than 72 hours. (For Federal Territory of Labuan, the period is 24 hours)

The allowances are:

1. Wine, spirits or malt liquor not exceeding 1 litre in all.
2. Tobacco not exceeding 225 grams (equivalent to 200 cigarettes)
3. Matches not exceeding 100 sticks.
4. Cosmetics, soaps and dentifrices, in open containers to a total value not exceeding RM200
5. New wearing apparels not exceeding 3 pieces.
6. New footwear not exceeding one pair.
7. Portable electrically and battery operated appliances for personal care and hygiene not exceeding 1 unit each.
8. Dutiable food preparations to a total value not exceeding RM75
9. Gifts and souvenirs to a total value not exceeding RM200 (except goods from Langkawi and Labuan, total value not exceeding RM500)
10. Portable goods and equipment usually/commonly imported by tourists, foreign press or travel writers for their regular and private use and are intended for reexport.

Visitors who bring in more than the quantity allowed as specified above are required to pay full customs duties on the excess at 30% of the value.

Visitors cannot transfer the benefit of their duty free allowances to another person. Duty free allowances cannot be pooled with the intention of importing articles in excess of the quantity allowed to an individual.