

Goods	Documents Required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal goods Lebanese returning to country	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An official letter from Lebanese embassy / consulate verifying that owner has been residing for more than 3 years at the country of origin and coming back to Lebanon permanently. • Detailed packing list duly authenticated by the Lebanese embassy / consulate at the country of origin. • Ownership of an apartment in Lebanon or House lease contract verified by local municipality at Lebanon & a confirmation of residence by the local (Moukhtar). • Original passport showing last entry date to Lebanon. • Shipper & Consignee must be the same on B/L or AWB. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty free entry for used articles provided the full availability of the documents required. • CD's, Videos and books should be controlled by censorship. Satellite dish, receivers, fax machines & telephones need special authorizations from Ministry of Telecommunication & Defense (this will delay clearance by at least 5 days & additional charges will be incurred). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Client/family can import her/his shipment ONE TIME ONLY duty free. It should comprise of complete household goods. Small incomplete shipments are liable to duty. • Shipper presence is a must at the time of clearance. • Goods must arrive in Lebanon within 3 (Three) months of arrival of owner. • The goods subject to a detailed inspection. • Any article which is new or does not bear sufficient signs of wear and/or which has not been in the possession of the person concerned for more than 6 months, is liable to duty.
Removal goods Foreigners- (Other Nationalities)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work contract with Lebanese firm. • Work permit issued by the Lebanese Labour office. • Residence permit issued by the Lebanese General Security Office. • Original detailed packing list. • House lease contract verified by the Local (Moukhtar) and verified by the municipality. • Passport must not contain any evidence for prior or intended travel to Israel. • Shipper & Consignee must be the same on B/L or AWB. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shipper presence is a must at the time of clearance. • If shipment already arrived to Beirut seaport and the exemption documents are not ready yet, shipment can be cleared under a refundable bank guarantee letter (Provided by client/principal) valid for 3 months to be withdraw against presentation of the clearing documents required when ready. • Any official receipts to be paid by client directly. • Failure to provide the above-required documents; the shipment would be subjected to pay the normal duties as per the customs tariff code issued by the Lebanese Customs authorities.
Removal goods Diplomats and United Nations Personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diplomatic Exemption from the Lebanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. • Packing list. • Copy of B/L. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty free entry. • If the client position in Lebanon is Administrative Officer, he doesn't have any diplomatic privileges. The procedure is complicated and expensive. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only diplomats coming to reside in Lebanon, on active service and duly accredited, are exempt from all the preceding regulations. A simple declaration of diplomatic immunity, copies of which are possessed by the head of the duty station, accompanied by an inventory drawn up and signed by the person concerned, and countersigned by the protocol service of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and by the Customs Higher Council, is required. • 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 country.
New Furniture and household goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask agent which documents to be filed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to payment of customs duties of 30% of value as estimated by an official expert in addition to VAT of 11%. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please contact us before packing of shipment.
Motor Vehicles (Car) Diplomats and United Nations Personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diplomatic Exemption from the Lebanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. • Mechanic Card. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customs duty free entry. • Cars must be retained for personal use only. • Any personal belongings are not allowed inside the car. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The cars older than 8 years are forbidden to enter Lebanon. • Diesel engines are not permitted. • Cars must be re-exported at the end of work contract. • Right hand drive cars are not accepted.

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Motorcycle Lebanese returning to country	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ownership Card. • Original invoice (legalized by the Chamber of Commerce and the Lebanese Consulate). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to payment of customs duties. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The motorcycle older than 3 years are forbidden to enter Lebanon. • Only over 150 cc is allowed to enter Lebanon. • Less than 150 cc consignee should be a company working in Lebanon and the motorcycle should be new.
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Wedding Trousseaux	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter to Customs General Management prior to shipping. • Proof of recent marriage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty free entry. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only body linen, household linen, bed covers and clothing after exempt from duties.
Inheritance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate from Mayor, proving that they are the heirs, legalized by Lebanese Consulate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty free entry. 	
Works of art, antiques	<p>Import:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original legalized invoices. • Packing list. • Certificate from Antiques Department sealed on every article when over 100 years. <p>Export:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special license from Antiques Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paintings, old masters, and old manuscripts - customs duties of 5% in addition to VAT of 11%. • All other items : subject to payment of customs duties. • It is strictly forbidden to export any antique item out of Lebanon. 	
Electrical Appliances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as the removal goods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All electrical appliances are duty free if they are used and part of the used household effects the documents required for clearance are available or they will be eligible of paying customs duty fee of 15 to 20% + VAT of 11% 	*
Presents, Souvenirs		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty free for small quantities value, reasonable amount. • Tobacco authorized with traveller: 1/2 kilo pipe tobacco, 500 cigarettes, 100 cigars. • above these figures: Payment of customs duties 	
Other vehicles (water-vehicles, caravans, trailer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ownership card and/or invoice. • Authorization from Customs House for a determined period after which the vehicle has to be exported. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to payment of customs duties. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the vehicle is not exported before the end of the determined period taxes have to be paid.

Machines, equipment and parts of equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catalogue, plan of the machine or stamp from the technical service on the custom declaration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced custom duties of 6% under special authorization. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be industrial or agricultural equipment.
Commercial shipments. New furniture, new household article	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original signed and stamped invoices legalized by Chamber of Commerce and Consul. Packing list. Certificate of origin. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subject to payment of customs duties, at 40 % of their value, as estimated by an official expert. 	
Plants and vegetable products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customs declaration to be stamped by sanitary services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subject to payment of customs duties 	
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sanitary certificate. Vaccination including rabies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payment of governing tax 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Certificate should be less than 1 year.

The following items are NOT PERMITTED

- Narcotics, drugs & incitements.
- Dangerous goods, firearms & ammunition.
- Pornographic materials.
- unopened supplies of provisions and alcohol (Only 24 bottles are permitted).
- any electrical equipment, either battery-operated or domestic appliances.
- Wireless transmission radios, radio controlled games and toys (airplanes, cars, boats).
- Magazines, political or military & literature.
- Goods which bear a trade name mentioned in the black list drawn in connection with the boycott against Israel.

Notes

- Fumigation is required; Lebanese Government adopted ISPM15 (International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures Publication 15) guidelines for regulating wooden packaging material in International trade aka NIFM 15 to standardize the treatment of wood packing materials used for transport of goods.
- Printed matter, books, pictures, records, films, tapes, slides, movies, videos, compact discs, computer software, etc... are subject to censorship and confiscation).