

## Important Customs Clearance note - Canada

Upon arrival into the Airport in Canada as an immigrant or a returning Canadian you must report to "Canada Immigration" if you have unaccompanied "Goods to Follow" (Sea / Air or Land). If you do not do this Canada customs will interpret this as them for fitting their rights for a tax exemption on your shipment and you may be subject to full duties and taxes when it arrives!!!

You will be asked to submit your inventory list with the B4E and B4A. The Canada Immigration officer will give them a receipt (B15). You must keep these documents for the customs clearance process!

Customs clearance will take place once the shipment arrives to destination terminal in Canada. At this time, you will be required to submit the receipt that you received from the Canadian Immigration officer that you met at the airport / Boarder. Please note that Canada customs requires you to be present for the customs clearance process.

### **Alcoholic Beverages**

It is better not to bring any alcohol since the shipment will probably go to examination. If you have more, let us know and we will take you through the process as it is different for each province.

## Free Entry will be granted for the following persons:

### Documents Required

#### Landed Immigrant (Settlers) Requirements

- Passport including the immigration identification validated upon arrival to Canada
- Advice Notice, obtained from Interdell
- Your 'Goods to Follow List' for all shipments, including values (English / French) - Detailed inventories. (This is your inventory list and a list of further goods to follow that are not in this shipment - if applicable)
- All documentation proving ownership, possession and use (If Applicable, For Vehicles...)
- All receipts for new items being imported
- B4E and Previous airport or US / Canada border declaration papers including the B15 (B-15 is obtained when you cross the boarder into Canada. This is a Landscape document with a blue outline.)
- Liquor import declaration (if applicable)

#### Returning Canadians

- Passport
- Advice Notice, obtained from the moving company (We will provide this)
- Your 'Goods to Follow List' for all shipments, including values (English / French) - Detailed inventories. (This is your inventory list and a list of further goods to follow that are not in this shipment - if applicable)
- All documentation proving ownership, possession and use (If Applicable, For Vehicles...)
- Proof of residency and duration outside Canada, at least 1 year, (Foreign work permit / letter from employer / statement from Canadian Consulate at origin / rent receipts / foreign drivers license / etc.)

- Receipts of items purchased outside Canada (proof of ownership of minimum 6 months is required). Any one individual item with a value of less than \$10,000 Cdn is entitled to be imported duty free.
- Liquor import declaration (if applicable)
- List of items with a value over \$10,000 Cdn (including vehicles)
- B4E and Previous airport or US / Canada border declaration papers including the B15 (B-15 is obtained when you cross the boarder into Canada. This is a Landscape document with a blue outline.)

### **Work Visa / Student Visa / Visitor Visa Requirements**

- Passport including a valid Visa issued by Canada Employment & Immigration
- Advice Notice, obtained from the moving company
- A complete list of all items being imported for your personal use while you remain in Canada (English / French) – detailed inventories
- All documentation proving ownership, possession and use
- All receipts for new items being imported
- Previous airport or US / Canada border declaration papers (see note below)

Liquor import declaration (if applicable)

#### **Note**

- 1) All items imported must be for your personal use during your stay
- 2) All goods must be exported when you leave Canada

### **Diplomats**

- Diplomatic Passport
- Inventory list
- Work permit with letter from local Embassy / Consulate.

### **Seasonal Resident in Canada**

Any person who is not a resident of Canada but owns a residential property or has leased a residence for at least 3 years for his / her personal use. Proof of purchase / copy of lease agreement is required.

- Passport
- Proof of ownership of a property in Canada.
- A detailed list of all items being imported in English. Import of used household & personal effects is duty free on a ONE time entry basis only and the goods cannot be sold for at least 1 year.

### **Inheritance or Gifts in Anticipation of Death Requirements**

- Personal identification
- A detailed list of all items (English / French)
- Advice Notice, obtained from the moving company
- A copy of the Death Certificate, a copy of the will or a letter from the Executor of the Estate stating you are a beneficiary
- A signed statement from the donor giving reason for the gift or a statement from the Executor of the Estate. (Gifts could be subject to import duties and taxes)
- fit any of the descriptions above may be subject to taxes and duties.

- Shipments for clients with no status in Canada may be subject to paying **full taxes and duties** or being **denied entry** – depending on the customs officer.

**The following client may be subject to taxes and duties:**

- Canadians who are importing goods into Canada and their goods arriving to Canada does not fit any of the descriptions above may be subject to taxes and duties.
- Shipments for clients with no status in Canada may be subject to paying **full taxes and duties** or being **denied entry** – depending on the customs officer