

Austria

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal Goods.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport • Entry certificate from the Police Station of municipal office concerned. • 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. 	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 2 years 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. The import customs clearance must be made at the competent customs office at the place of residence (customs clearance is usually made at the domicile of the immigrant).
Diplomatic removals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declaration from the Embassy which must be attested by the Foreign Office, • Packing list in triplicate. 	New goods can also be imported.	
Wedding trousseaux	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport, original, • Marriage certificate (notice of banns alone is not enough) • List in triplicate of the goods to be imported, with declaration by the applicant that the goods are dowry (they can also be new goods). • Entry certificate (see above removal goods), • Attestation from the Austrian partner to the marriage that he was resident 	New goods can also be imported duty free.	

	in Austria for at least 6 months before the marriage.		
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Inheritance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport of the heir, • Certificate (from the competent police station or municipal office), • Inheritance certificate (attested by the courts or by a Notary), • Inventory (attested by the courts or by a Notary), 	The inheritance goods must be used and may be sold by the heir within 6 months.	
New furniture domestic appliances, gifts, souvenirs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invoice for goods in duplicate, • Certificate of circulation of goods and import permit where applicable. 	Subject to customs duty and tax.	
Machinery and equipment.		Free of duty as removal goods.	
Objects of art, Antiques.	Invoice for goods in duplicate(if applicable, expert appraisal).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Antiques, if over 100 years of age are duty free but subject to VAT, 2. 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase invoice in duplicate, • Import permit where applicable, • Certificate of origin. 	Subject to duty and tax.	Gifts are free of duty only up to 1,000 Austrian shillings. Over this amount they are subject to duty and tax.
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Passenger cars, Motorcycles, Motor scooters, mopeds.	Same as removal goods, but in addition vehicle papers (type certificate, log book), Purchase invoice.	Free of duty and tax only in connection with household goods. Vehicles must be in use and possession of the emigrant for at least 6 months in country of departure.	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 a "BEFÖRDERUNGSMITTELVORMERKSCHEIN" (Immigrant Booking Certificate), which the vehicle, as soon as possible but at the latest within the period indicated (max.2 months) must be cleared through the competent customs office with the corresponding certificates.
Caravans, trailers, motor boats.	Same as passenger cars.	Same as passenger cars. Free of duty.	Same as passenger cars.
Firearms.	Same as removal goods.	Special official permit necessary.	
Spirits, cigarettes, tobacco, perfumes.	Same as removal goods.	Only the permitted amounts for travellers are free of duty - amounts over this subject to duty and tax.	Subject to import permit, heavy import duties, complicated customs clearance (we advise against importing).
Plants and plant products.	Same as removal goods, but additionally plant protection certificate.	Free of duty.	
Domestic animals.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Veterinary certificate, • Inoculation certificate. 	Free of duty.	Cats and dogs may be imported without problems. Other animals on request.
Drugs.		Import forbidden.	