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Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal goods	 Original B/L or AWB or copy of tlx/express release. Detailed inventory. Passport copy with residence permit or a copy of visa and employer letter. 	Duties are 4% of the value estimated by customs on all items and motorcars. Not always charged on HHGS.	Shipments to be declared as used household goods and personal effects. Computer equipment requires a separate clearance procedure through Qatar customs. If a computer is included in the shipment,
			specifications should be sent prior to arrival in order to obtain Q-Tel approval. LCL shipments arriving POE Doha are taking up to 2 weeks in port to be de-consolidated. Therefore, customs clearance and delivery after vessel arrival can take up to 3 weeks.
			Groupage shipments are causing considerable problems, as the complete content of the container is off-loaded before Customs clearance can begin. No one is allowed to touch the goods until Customs officials have completed clearance, leading to problems during re-packing. All shipments are subject to 100% physical inspection.
Diplomatic removals	 Original B/L or AWB. Detailed inventory. Letter of protocol from the relevant Embassy must be processed with the Qatar Ministry of Foreign Affairs. 	Once protocol letter received, shipment is normally allowed inspection and duty free clearance into Qatar but this remains at the discretion of the customs director.	
New furniture	 Legalised CIF invoice. Certificate of origin. Inventory. B/L or AWB. 	Duty: 4% on CIF value.	Invoice and C/O have to be endorsed by a Qatar Embassy at origin and received by destination agent prior to shipment's arrival.
Motor vehicles	Original registration certificate.	4% duty on CIF value may be charged at the	For registration: proof of ownership at origin

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	Insurance policy.	discretion of customs.	and original import manifest are required.
	Invoice (if available).	For all vehicle(s) older than 1 year, a pre-alert,	Owner must be resident in Qatar prior
		with all details included, is required 7-10 days	registration in her/his name.
		in advance of vehicle(s) arrival.	Possibility for a single shipper to import more
			than 1 vehicle.
Cats & dogs	Health certificate dated no more than 2	Following dogs require at least 2 weeks notice	Health certificate has to be issued by
	weeks prior to date of arrival.	and may be rejected: Boxers, Bulldogs,	government approved veterinary clinics and
	Import licence issued in Qatar.	Rottweilers, Pugs, Great Danes, Dobermans,	faxed at least 3 days prior to arrival.
		Shar Pei's and Japanese Akitas.	
Alcoholic beverages, pork,		Prohibited.	All prohibited articles detained by customs may
wireless			be destroyed without consignee's consent.
transmitters/receivers, fire			
arms, explosives, narcotics,			
swords, daggers and			
pornographic material, items			
made out of ivory			
Audio/video tapes, books and		Subject to screening by the Ministry of	Returned within one working week.
cd's		Information.	