

India Customs Information																
Documents Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Passport for all family members ✓ Visa (to reside in India for at least one year) ✓ Inventory, valued in English (indicating date purchased) and itemized (brand, model and serial number of all major appliances must be noted and in English) ✓ Indian Customs Declaration Form (to be signed in the presence of Customs Officer) ✓ Diplomatic shipments require Duty Exemption Certificates from the government of India (arranged by the embassy/high commission) ✓ Insurance policy 															
Customs Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ THE RELOCATEE MUST BE IN INDIA AT THE TIME HIS SHIPMENT ARRIVES IN THE COUNTRY ▪ THE RELOCATEE DOES NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF CUSTOMS CLEARANCE BUT HE MUST SIGN A DECLARATION OF CONTENTS AND GIVE HIS ORIGINAL PASSPORT ALONG WITH AN AUTHORITY LETTER. ▪ Used household goods and personal effects are duty-free for foreign nationals and Indians transferring residence to India provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The goods have been owned and used for a minimum of one year prior to importation ➢ Indian Citizens have resided outside the country for two years and intend on staying in India for a year ➢ Foreign nationals produce a visa valid for one year ▪ All shipments are likely to be fully (100%) inspected ▪ Sea shipments must be shipped from origin within 30 days of customers arrival in India and air shipments within 15 days of shippers arrival in India. 															
Motor Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ALL VEHICLES including boats are subject to DUTY and very high taxes ▪ Prior to Customs clearance, foreign nationals are required to furnish a bank bond for import trade authorities, stating not to sell the car for a specified period ▪ Indians can sell the car immediately upon Customs clearance ▪ Indians can import brand new cars up to 1600cc ▪ Cars exceeding 1600cc must have been registered in the importers name abroad for at least one year ▪ All imported vehicles must have right-hand steering and controls <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Owner's passport indicating two years residence abroad (original) ✓ Manufacturer's invoice (original) ✓ Customs Clearing Permit/Import License ✓ Insurance Policy ✓ Auto Registration Certificate ✓ Keys ✓ List of extras and purchase date 															
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Health Certificate, rabies and other vaccinations required. 															
Transfer of Residence Facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ If the customer has lived out of the country for a period of two years preceding his return, then he is entitled to the Transfer of Residence facility which means that he will be charged 18% duty for his electrical/electronic items ➢ During this two year period he should not have been in India for a total of more than 180 days, If he has exceeded this 180 day period then he is not eligible for the Transfer of Residence facility. This can be waived by the Customs Officer on application provided this exemption has not been claimed in the previous 3 years. ➢ If a customer is not entitled for Transfer of Residence facility, then his baggage is cleared under "Visit" and this means that he is charged 38% duty on his electricals/electronics, furniture and kitchenware. 															
Prohibited Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Weapons, firearms and ammunition (unless licensed in advance) ➢ Live plants ➢ Walkie-talkies ➢ Pornographic material ➢ Narcotics ➢ Politically sensitive literature 															
Duty and Tax Rate %	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All used Household Goods (more than 1 year old) are duty-free ▪ All new articles, whether furniture, crockery, etc., are charged a duty of at least 38%. ▪ The following items are dutiable at 18% for the first of each item and 38% for subsequent ones. <table border="0" style="width: 100%; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>➢ TV</td> <td>➢ Music System</td> <td>➢ Deep Freezer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>➢ VCR</td> <td>➢ Personal Computer</td> <td>➢ Microwave Oven</td> </tr> <tr> <td>➢ Washing Machine</td> <td>➢ Air Conditioner</td> <td>➢ Video Camera</td> </tr> <tr> <td>➢ LPG cooking Range</td> <td>➢ Refrigerator</td> <td>➢ Word Processor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>➢ Dishwasher</td> <td></td> <td>➢ FAX Machine</td> </tr> </table> <p>If the <i>total</i> value of the above items exceeds RS 150,000,(approximately \$4250) or items that exceed the one-piece limit will attract a duty of approximately 62%.</p>	➢ TV	➢ Music System	➢ Deep Freezer	➢ VCR	➢ Personal Computer	➢ Microwave Oven	➢ Washing Machine	➢ Air Conditioner	➢ Video Camera	➢ LPG cooking Range	➢ Refrigerator	➢ Word Processor	➢ Dishwasher		➢ FAX Machine
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