

Israel Customs Information	
General Information	<p>For the sake of clarity, the list below is divided into different categories of visas and permits of each person shipping to Israel. While there are a lot of common issues there are also specific regulations and required documents for each category.</p> <p>Please therefore read and follow instructions of the category that you belong to.</p>
Foreign Workers (B1 Visa) / Religious Personnel (A3 Visa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In theory all persons under this category and who are in possession of valid visas prior to the shipment arriving in Israel are exempt from paying customs duties on all household items that are shipped into the country, on the condition that they have an address in Israel, that the quantities imported are commensurate to the size of the family and the home and that only one of each electrical appliance is imported. ▪ Any item of commercial quantity will be subject to taxes and on certain items such as liquor and food there are severe limitations. ▪ The Customs agent at the Port of Entry will determine the amount of custom duties that the client theoretically would have to pay and this amount will be guaranteed by a Bank Guarantee that either the client or his Company will have to lodge with the Customs Authority. This Guarantee will need to be updated each year and will be kept by the Customs until the imported goods are exported from the country at the end of the assignment in Israel. In the situation of the shipment arriving in Israel prior to the visa being issued, a monetary deposit in addition to the bank guarantee will be required and this deposit will be returned only after the visa has been presented. <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All Passports including current, of the past six years for all citizenships for customer and spouse ✓ Foreign worker must have a B-1 Visa and religious personnel A-3 Visa stamped in Passport or if not yet approved, copy of the work permit application form ✓ Bank Guarantee to the value of the custom duties ✓ Copy of Rental Lease Agreement in Israel. <p>It is necessary for all persons to meet face to face with your OMNI agent's Customs agent in order to go through the inventory of the shipment and to sign the Customs Declaration and Power of Attorney allowing your OMNI agent to clear the shipment on your behalf.</p>
Returning Israelis, Students and New Immigrants	<p>Israelis that have been out of Israel for less than 2 years do not have any duty free rights. There are 2 different categories of returning Israelis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ 2-6 years (see attached list of duty free items). ➢ 6 and more (like new immigrants, see attached list). <p>All Returning Residents must provide the date that they left Israel. You will need to provide the name of the Company that moved you out of Israel as well as any other documents and information regarding the removal of your goods from Israel.</p> <p>To ensure the exemption of customs duties on the items that you exported from Israel, you will need to present the original export document of the company who handled the shipment.</p> <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All Passports including current, of the past six years for all citizenships for customer and spouse ✓ Stamp by Customs Authority in Passport proving Returning Israeli status ✓ New Immigrant Document (Teudat Oleh) for new immigrants ✓ Copy of property ownership or Rental Lease Agreement in Israel. <p>It is necessary for all persons to meet face to face with your OMNI agent's Customs agent in order to go through the inventory of the shipment, complete the customs value of each item and sign the Customs Declaration and Power of Attorney allowing Ocean to clear the shipment on your behalf.</p>
Customs Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ CUSTOMER MUST BE IN COUNTRY AT TIME OF CUSTOMS CLEARANCE . ➢ Regulations vary according to customer's immigration status -- each customer must contact the Israeli Consulate near your home in the US for further details or to be in contact with the OMNI agent's Import Coordinator or to refer to the above mentioned websites. New immigrants can import their personal effects from all over the world and not only from the country they have immigrate from. ➢ New immigrants or temporary residents may be allowed three duty-free shipments within three years (shipment of car and professional tools is not included in these three shipments).

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Customs Regulations <i>(continuation)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Returning Israelis are allowed two duty free shipments within the first nine months of returning to Israel.. Returning Israelis who have lived out of Israel for more than two years but less than six qualify for certain rights on customs duties whereas those who have resided outside of Israel for a minimum of 6 years qualify for full duty-free entry of their household effects. Items exported from Israel must be proven by export documents itemizing the items owned prior to export from Israel.
Inherited Items	<p>Documents required for the shipment of inherited items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Original Will and Testament or notarized copy showing recipient as beneficiary required. ✓ Death certificate ✓ Packing list <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reduced taxes must be paid as inheritances are not automatically duty free. ▪ Customs inspection will be performed and is subject to additional charges.
Dutiable / Restricted Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Only one of each electrical/electronic appliance is duty-free. Inventory must include make, model and serial number of all electric appliances. ➤ New items (invoice required). ➤ Alcohol and tobacco products- there are sever restrictions placed on the import of alcohol so please make enquiries prior to shipping ➤ Carpets, curtains, linoleum, wallpaper, fabrics (state how many meters and price). ➤ Tools and gifts. ➤ Musical instruments. ➤ Camping and sports equipment. ➤ Food items: allowed 15 kilograms per person, the balance is subject to Customs duties. ➤ Cordless telephones and facsimile machines are subject to duty and a special permit from the Ministry of Telecommunications is required. Recommend checking in advance whether model in question is permissible. ➤ Computer, answering machine, fax machine, car radio, windsurfer, electric powered lawn mower, building accessories, compact disc and turntable (only if both are imported).
Prohibited Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Firearms, weapons, ammunition, tear gas, explosives and dangerous chemicals - (NOTE: Small arm caliber's can be imported but require special permission from the Israeli Police and Ministry of Interior. ➤ Large or commercial quantities of any items are not permitted. More than one of any electrical appliance will be subject to duties ➤ Narcotics, drugs and dangerous chemicals. ➤ Seeds, live plants and saplings. ➤ Pornographic material. ➤ Fresh produce <p>ALL PRINTED MATTER, BOOKS, PICTURES, RECORDS, FILMS, TAPES, SLIDES, MOVIES, VIDEOS, COMPACT DISCS, COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND DISKETTES, etc must be packed separately for easy access and clearly marked on the inventory).</p> <p>Additional charges maybe incurred, if inspection is required.</p>
Motor Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CERTAIN MAKES OF CARS FORBIDDEN FROM ENTRY AND CUSTOMERS MUST CONTACT YOUR OMNI AGENT FOR DETAILS. ▪ Automobiles for returning Israelis are subject to full customs duties. The car must be on the list of importable vehicles to Israel and must be less than 4 years old. ▪ Automobiles for new immigrants are subject to reduced customs duties of 80%. ▪ Right-hand drive automobiles are prohibited. <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Passport ✓ New Immigrant Document (Teudat Oleh) ✓ Purchase Invoice or Registration in name of shipper ✓ Keys ✓ Insurance Certificate (valid in Israel) ✓ Valid Israeli Driver's License from country of origin and Israeli drivers license ✓ Import License from the Ministry of Transport

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