

Kuwait Customs Information	
Documents Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Passport (two copies of info page and Residence Permit page) ✓ Visa ✓ Residence Permit (Kiama) ✓ Temporary Import License ✓ "No Objection Certificate" required from the Ministry of Interior ✓ Declaration from employer that customer is employed by a specific firm ✓ Letter from employer stating customer's purpose of stay ✓ Descriptive inventory (original) showing brand name, make and model of all items ✓ Invoice and Certificate of Origin (bearing manufacturer's name and address) for new items and personal computers ✓ Authorization letter in Arabic to clear shipments. This can be obtained from the consigned upon arrival in Kuwait ✓ Copy of Civil ID (Kuwait ID card) ✓ Inventory showing gross weight and number of packages
Customs Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ CUSTOMER'S PRESENCE IS REQUIRED FOR CUSTOMS. ➢ Original passport required when shipper is present for clearance . ➢ Personal effects such as clothing and books are permitted duty-free provided they arrive by air. ➢ Used household goods are permitted, but subject to duty. ➢ All shipments inspected. ➢ All diplomatic shipments must be clearly noted on all documents.
Motor Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OWNER'S PRESENCE REQUIRED AT CUSTOMS CLEARANCE FOR ANY VEHICLE ▪ Non-Kuwaiti individuals/firms are not allowed to import vehicles into Kuwait ▪ Vehicles subject to duties ▪ Used vehicles over five years old are not permitted ▪ Owner of the vehicle must have a valid Residence Permit in order to import an auto ▪ Contact destination agent prior to importation to obtain current regulations <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Registration Certificate ✓ Purchase Invoice
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Importation discouraged due to climate. ➢ Rabies vaccination and valid health certificate
Dutiable / Restricted Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Electronic items included in shipment will delay Customs and subject to approval by Ministry of Commercial Industry ➢ PC's, radio transmitters, and wireless telephones, require a special permit and are subject to approval by the Ministry of Telecommunications ➢ Medication and foodstuff (subject to special approval and inspection by the Ministry of Health), must be packed separately ➢ New items ➢ Pesticides/insecticides, paints, chemicals subject to approval by Environmental Protection Authority ➢ CUSTOMERS ARE HAVING PROBLEMS CLEARING THE RESTRICTED ITEMS SHOWN BELOW THROUGH CUSTOMS AND SIGNIFICANT LOSS AND DAMAGE HAVE BEEN REPORTED.
Prohibited Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prohibited goods MUST NOT BE INCLUDED with the goods being shipped. ▪ Prohibited items detained by customs will be destroyed without shipper's consent. ▪ Any prohibited items in shipment will be confiscated and may be destroyed without the customer's consent. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ All types of weapons, ammunition and explosives, including antique and ornamental examples. ➢ Narcotics and drugs ➢ Pork products ➢ Alcoholic beverages of any type, including beer and wine-making kits ➢ Gambling equipment ➢ Pornographic or political, military literature or controversial materials ➢ Objects or images which could be construed as a graven image or contrary to Islamic morality ➢ *ALL PRINTED MATTER, BOOKS, PICTURES, RECORDS, DVDs, FILMS, TAPES, SLIDES, MOVIES, VIDEOS, COMPACT DISCS, COMPUTER SOFTWARE, ETC. ARE SUBJECT TO CENSORSHIP AND CONFISCATION (MUST BE PACKED SEPARATELY FOR EASY ACCESS) ➢ Items made out of ivory ➢ Products of Israeli origin ➢ Political or religious literature which may be deemed offensive to the Kuwait government or the Islamic faith