

Kuwait *Customs Information*

Goods	Documents Required	Customs Prescriptions and Remarks
Removal Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Original Bills of Lading ✓ Packing List ✓ Copy of importer's passport ✓ Kuwait Civil ID Copy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shipment to be consigned direct in the name of owner on all documents ➤ Client must be present for customs inspection ➤ Thursdays and Fridays are holidays for customs
Diplomatic Removals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Bill of Lading ✓ Inventory in Arabic ✓ Copy of personal identity document or card issued by Embassy ✓ Exemption certificate from Ministry or Foreign Affairs in Kuwait 	Duty free entry.
New Furniture and Household Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Import Licence ✓ Certificate of Origin - showing complete name and address of manufacturer ✓ Invoice ✓ Packing list (both invoice and certificate of origin to be legalised by Arab Chamber of Commerce and visaed by Kuwait Embassy or Consulate at origin) 	Customs duty 5% of C.I.F. value on all items. Legalisation of the invoice and certificate of origin can be done in Kuwait within 2-3 hours on any working day Saturday - Wednesday at the cost of USD140.00 per set.
Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles and Caravans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Temporary import permit issued by Kuwait Ministry of Commerce (valid for 30 days) ✓ Registration Certificate ✓ Purchase Invoice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Customs duty is charged at flat rate of 5% on value estimated by Kuwait Customs. ➤ Prohibited to import used motor vehicle more than 5 years old into Kuwait. Vehicles may only be imported by Kuwait nationals. ➤ Expatriates can only do so via their Kuwaiti sponsors (Documentary requirements demand the need for a letter from a sponsor to initiate paperwork for clearance).
All types of Liquor, Wine, Beer Making Kits and Pork Products		Importation strictly prohibited. Besides these items being confiscated owner is liable to be detained pending legal action.
Books, Audio or Video tapes, Music records		Are allowed but censored.
Inclusions of Medicines and Drugs in Shipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Invoice ✓ Certificate of origin ✓ Packing list ✓ Relevant certificate from Ministry of Health from origin 	Invariably cause delays in clearance, as special release order is required from Ministry of Health.
Pesticides, Insecticides, Paints, Chemicals		Subject to approval by Environmental Protection Authority.
Dogs, Cats and Birds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Health Certificate ✓ Rabies vaccination 	
Prohibited Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All types of weapons including antique weapons ➤ Pornographic books and magazines, "Walkie-Talkie" and radios ➤ All types of materials and products connected with or manufactured by Israel ➤ Narcotics, drugs, incitements ➤ Items manufactured by Companies on Israeli Boycott list such as CBS, RCA, Columbia are confiscated. 	

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