



## Export Customs Guide **CHINA**

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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
<p><b>Removal Goods-HHG/PE_ Foreigner</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Passport with Residence Permit.</li> <li>▪ Original Work Permit.</li> <li>▪ Original Employment Approval Letter issuing by the Foreign Expert Bureau (For Beijing).</li> <li>▪ Application form for export of personal effects.</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney of customs declaration of non-trading goods.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Residence Permit needs to show (past 365 days at Shanghai; 365 days at Beijing) validity, if have recently renewed passport and one-year residence permit is attached to old passport, your local agent requires both the old and new passports.</li> <li>▪ Original Work Permit needs to show past (past 12 months at Shanghai; 365 days at Beijing) validity, if not, previous work permit needs to provide us as well, or Copy of Work Permit and Original Cancellation Letter as long as Work Permit is cancelled.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Removal Goods - Chinese</b></p>	<p><b>Shanghai</b> required documents for export customs clearance are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Chinese to Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Valid Exit-Entry Permit to HK, Macau or Taiwan</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney for customs declaration of non-trading goods</li> <li>▪ Declaration Form</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Chinese to Other Countries:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Passport with Visa of destination country</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney for customs declaration of non-trading goods</li> <li>▪ Declaration Form</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Exit-Entry Permit must be valid over 1 year.</li> <li>▪ Destination visa must be valid over 1 year.</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Beijing</b> required documents for export customs clearance are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Chinese to Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Valid Exit-Entry Permit to HK, Macau or Taiwan</li> <li>▪ Valid (for one year) Destination Visa on Original Valid Exit-Entry Permit</li> <li>▪ Original Company Statement or Proof of residence in Beijing</li> <li>▪ Original letter to Beijing Customs with client's signature</li> <li>▪ Latest entry record (China)</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney for customs declaration of non-trading goods</li> <li>▪ Declaration Form</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Chinese to Other Countries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Passport with Visa of destination country</li> <li>▪ Original Company Statement or Proof of residence in Beijing</li> <li>▪ Original letter to Beijing Customs with client's signature</li> <li>▪ Latest entry record (China)</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney for customs declaration of non-trading goods</li> <li>▪ Declaration Form</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<p><b>Removal Goods - Hong Kong Resident</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original HK ID card, Entry permit for HK resident</li> <li>▪ Original Registration Form of Temporary Residence or Original Residence Permit (Ju Zhu Zheng)</li> <li>▪ Application form for export of personal effects</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney for customs declaration of</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shanghai: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ From the arrival date to the date of export clearance must be more than 365 days.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Beijing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Registration Form of Temporary Residence or Original Residence Permit (Ju Zhu Zheng) needs to show 365 days</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<b>Removal Goods - Taiwan Resident</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Tai Bao Zheng Or Original Entry Permit for Taiwan resident</li> <li>▪ Original Registration Form of Temporary Residence</li> <li>▪ Application form for export of personal effects</li> <li>▪ Power of attorney for customs declaration of non-trading goods</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shanghai: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ From the arrival date to the date of export clearance must be more than 365 days.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Beijing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original Registration Form of Temporary Residence or Original Residence Permit (Ju Zhu Zheng) needs to show 365 days validity</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Removal goods - Diplomatic Personnel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Copy of Passport showing diplomatic status</li> <li>▪ Copy of Diplomatic Certificate</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Due to the special status of diplomatic shipments, the Consulate / Embassy in Shanghai or Beijing will have to arrange for the Export Permit Application.</li> </ul>
<b>Visas</b>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ It is recommended to ask shippers to opt for multi-years visa.</li> <li>▪ Applicable in Shanghai as from 22 July 2016: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shanghai Foreign Investment Commercial Bureau (SFICB) requires pre-assessment of the Chinese Visa Invitation Letter application documents before issuance of official Invitation Letter for foreign applicants.</li> <li>▪ This Invitation Letter is for purposes of the entry Z-visa, M-visa and F-visa application at the Chinese Embassies / Consulates abroad.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Total processing time for the Chinese Visa Invitation Letter: 5 working days.</li> <li>▪ China continues to have restrictions on issuing Multiple Journey/Entry Visas to all foreigners. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The maximum duration of stay for business visa holders and for tourist visa</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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			<p>holders will be determined by the Chinese consulate overseas as to whether the visa will be issued for 30, 60 or 90 days respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Starting Nov 1, 2016, Shanghai and a few other places spearheaded a pilot program (point-based system) to roll out the unified work permit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This has been rolled out nationwide on April 1, 2017 and means there are no longer people classified as expert. Even these will have a work permit and it will streamline both immigration and customs.</li> <li>▪ The main goal of this reform is to ensure that all provinces handle immigration cases in a similar manner and that for those qualified applicants, the process be standardized and streamlined.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Books</b>		<p>Below are Prohibited items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Manuscripts and historic books that have historic/artistic/scientific values</li> <li>▪ Pirated books</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Must be within reasonable quantity of personal use.</li> </ul>
<b>CD-DVD</b>		<p>Below are Prohibited items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pornographic materials</li> <li>▪ confiscated CDs/DVDs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Must be within reasonable quantity of personal use.</li> </ul>
<b>Furniture</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Furniture are allowed to export for both expatriates and Chinese Passport holder.</li> <li>▪ Grand pianos cannot be exported through Shanghai.</li> <li>▪ Pianos are allowed to export for both expatriates and Chinese Passport holder</li> </ul>	

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<b>Office items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Documents required for Export Permit are the same as household goods.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The reasonable amount of office computer, books, decoration or small amount of files could be exported with the personal effect at the same shipment.</li> <li>▪ Office items could not be sent alone.</li> <li>▪ Copier is not allowed to export.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contact your agent for specific advice and information.</li> </ul>
<b>Cars and Mini-vans</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Documents required for Export Permit are the same as household goods.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Export restrictions are governed at the local level.</li> <li>▪ Only diplomat can export used cars.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contact your agent for specific advice and information.</li> </ul>
<b>Food</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Must be dry goods in original/sealed packaging, canned or vacuum packed in Shanghai. Beijing does not recommend to pack any food.</li> <li>▪ Cannot be fresh, dairy, eggs, honey, unprocessed grains; seeds; nuts, live plants/bulbs or any perishables (no live animals or fresh milk).</li> <li>▪ Milk powder, chicken essence, beef or chicken extract, meat products and/or meat by-products are not allowed (this includes all forms of pet food).</li> </ul>	
<b>Forbidden Items</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Weapons</li> <li>▪ Imitation weapons</li> <li>▪ Ammunition</li> <li>▪ Drugs</li> <li>▪ Pornographic and politically subversive material</li> <li>▪ Liquor (Beijing)</li> </ul>	

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<b>Pets</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Only pet dog and pet cat are allowed to export.</li> <li>▪ Import restrictions are governed at the local level.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Check with origin agent for specific advice and information.</li> </ul>
<b>Computers</b>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Computer with build-in battery is not allowed to export via air shipment in Shanghai.</li> <li>▪ Computer with built-in battery is not allowed to export via air shipment in Shanghai</li> <li>▪ Reasonable computers are allowed to export.</li> <li>▪ Please contact your agent for more details.</li> </ul>
<b>Alcohol</b>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Only reasonable quantity of alcohol is allowed export via sea shipment in Shanghai. Please contact your origin agent for specific advice and information.</li> <li>▪ Alcohol is not allowed export in Beijing.</li> </ul>
<b>Dutiable Items</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shanghai customs do not charge duty for export shipment.</li> </ul>	
<b>Fumigation / Disinfection</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Chinese Quarantine Bureau does not have fumigation/disinfection requirement for export shipment.</li> </ul>	
<b>Antiques</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Items made before 1795 CANNOT be exported, as set down by Chinese law;</li> <li>▪ Items made between 1795 and 1949, and items that were made in 1966 or before from the ethnic minorities can be exported, but require a label by the Relics Control Committee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Anything considered of cultural or of historical importance will not be chopped for export.</li> <li>▪ Relics Control Committee grant a label for items which are allowed to export.</li> </ul>







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