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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Used Household Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Copy Airway Bill. ▪ OBL (express release preferred) ▪ Copy of packing list. ▪ Passport copy of shipper with photograph. ▪ Copy of work permit and/or letter of employment confirming employment in Malaysia. ▪ Identity card (IC) front & back for returning Malaysian. ▪ Copy of work permit or letter of employment from origin country from returning Malaysian. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Duty free for used personal and household goods, provided: ▪ The shipper is the owner of the goods. ▪ They have been in the owner's use and possession for a period of not less than 6 months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All PHE may be subject to 100% customs examination. ▪ Customer need not be present when goods arrive. ▪ Packing list must tally with goods packed. ▪ All necessary documents with customer contact address and also stating if shipment is D/D or D/P, must be despatched well in advance to avoid delays. ▪ Consign goods to shipper c/o destination agent. ▪ Notify to Destination agent.
Used personal and household goods - Diplomats/Embassy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Malaysian Customs form N°1 (8 copies). ▪ Letter of authority. ▪ OBL. ▪ Packing list. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Duty free entry. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Only authorised persons from Embassy can sign documents. ▪ Documents must be endorsed by the Embassy and after, be approved by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs before goods can be cleared. Can take 2-3 weeks.
New furniture, new personal and household goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Original invoice with value stated. ▪ Malaysian customs form N°1. ▪ Letter of authority. ▪ OBL. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subject to payment of customs duty. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inform destination agent if items are new, to avoid any delay.
Antiques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires import permit from National Museum applied by owner himself. 		

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Precious metal objects		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subject to payment of customs duty. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of objects needs to be known.
Presents & Souvenirs		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as above. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether goods are subject to payment of customs duty is up to the discretion of the customs.
Motorcars, motor cycles, vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original registration card/certificates of the vehicle. Original insurance certificate. Original invoice (for new vehicles). Original import permit. Original B/L. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motor vehicles are subject to import duties and taxes ranging from 150% to 300% depending on the cc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The owner must obtain his own permit from the Malaysian Ministry of International Trade before importation of the vehicle.
Machines, appliances and equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original invoice with value stated for items less than 6 months old. The customer is advised to keep the document in case it is requested by customs authorities during the clearance process. Malaysian customs form N°1. Letter of authority. OBL. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subject to payment of customs duty. Request to know type of machine/appliance and equipment, as import permit may be required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malaysia uses 220-240 volt electricity.
Telecommunications equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Import permit required from Telecom Malaysia before such goods are imported. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To apply for permit, fax details to your agent: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model/type. Serial number. Country of origin. Reasons for importing into Malaysia. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes fax machines, cordless phones, cellular phones, modems, answering machines etc.
Alcohol		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol is subject to high duties/taxes in Malaysia. Duties/taxes vary from 150% to 250% (estimated) of value of goods, or about US\$ 30 – US\$50 per litre, depending on the alcoholic contents. The same process apply for diplomats. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no tax free allowance for alcohol arriving in unaccompanied shipments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If a shipper wishes to import alcohol a separate inventory needs to be done detailing each bottle (brand, country of origin, alcohol content, and container size) and that inventory submitted to the

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		<p>Contact your local embassy/local destination agent for information prior to shipping.</p>	<p>destination agent so that they can apply for an import permit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This can take several weeks and is not always approved. ▪ It is strongly recommended that shippers do not include alcohol in their shipments.
<p>Firearms, dangerous weapons, imitation firearms and fireworks, explosives, foodstuffs</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Importation prohibited unless special authorisation is obtained. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mandatory death sentence if convicted for illegal possession of firearms. ▪ Swords require an import permit applied for by owner.
<p>Plants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Airway Bill. ▪ Original import permit. ▪ Original health certificate. 	<p>Subject to payment of customs duty.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must get approval from the Ministry of Agriculture and need to be sent as a separate shipment.
<p>Pets</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Require health certificate or veterinarian certificate from origin country. ▪ Need details to apply import permit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Age/breed/sex/colour. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The following breeds are prohibited to enter/be imported into the country: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dogo Argentina, Fila Brazilziro, Japanese Tosa, Pit bull Terrier and American Pit Bull. ▪ The following breeds can enter/be imported into Malaysia under special permit approve from the government veterinary prior arrival in KLIA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ German Shepherd, Dobermann, Rottweiler, Belgian Shepherd, East European Shepherd, Bull Mastiff, Bull Terrier and Canary Dog. ▪ Documents require for application for this special permit is as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must not be less than six months at the time of importing. ▪ Require micro chipped proof. ▪ Owner local address (the residence here must be available for veterinary inspection). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Allow at least three working weeks for the government veterinary doctor to processing the approval of the permit. ▪ An import permit is required and must be obtained before arrangements can be made to forward the pets. The following information must be communicated in order to obtain the permit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Name of the pet/breed/sex/colour/age and copy of health certificate. ▪ Name of owner and local contact. ▪ Arrival date of the pet. ▪ Whether pet will be travelling as cargo or with the owner. ▪ Quarantine at government quarantine station upon arrival for 7 days. ▪ House quarantine (subject to approval of the veterinary at the quarantine station, which has to be applied by owner during his visit to the pet). ▪ Quarantine period is 7 days. It is required to

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Letter from the owner confirming the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dog is family pet. ▪ Dog is not for breeding or for sale. ▪ Dog will be kept in the compound at all times. ▪ Dog will be muzzled and leashed when not in the compound. ▪ Two copies of latest picture of the pet. 	<p>report well in advance in order to book kennel/quarantine space.</p>
Video tapes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Titles and story of tapes/CDs. ▪ Duration. ▪ Actor names. ▪ Genre. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All videotapes and CDs can be subject to censorship through the Government Film Censor Board, which will view all tapes/CDs before release. ▪ This will take approximately two to three weeks without any guarantee of return if not allowed to be viewed in the country. ▪ A fee of US\$3.00 per tape will be charged for this service. ▪ Instances of this happening are rare however shippers need to be aware that it may happen.
Prohibited importation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Narcotics, drugs e.g. opium, heroin, morphine and marijuana. ▪ Goods of South African or Israeli origin. ▪ Obscene and pornographic materials. ▪ Daggers and flick-knives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For possession of drugs, there is a mandatory death sentence. ▪ The Malaysian Government does not differentiate between hard and soft drugs. The penalties are the same.
Solid wood packing material		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With effect from October 2009, please indicate "ISPM NO. 15 - Certificate is compulsory to be provided" in your PO if the goods are to be packed with wood (using pallet, crating or similar). ▪ Overseas suppliers are to ensure the wood is properly treated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Treatment of WPM should be done only by accredited treatment companies or service providers registered under Malaysian Fumigation Accreditation Scheme (MAFAS). ▪ All WPM should be marked to certify that it has been subjected to an approved treatment. ▪ The markings in any colour except red and

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			<p>orange should be permanent and no stickers are allowed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inform your suppliers to ensure that the WPM is treated prior to importation.



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