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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Removal Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Original Passport ▪ Inventory list (English only) ▪ Copy B/L telex release ▪ Custom declaration (ask your local agent) ▪ Authorization letter (ask your local agent) 	<p>Once the Customs documents have been accepted by Customs, the local agent will proceed with the Customs Inspection. When inspection is completed, the shipment will be released and available for delivery.</p>	
Diplomatic Removals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Duty clearance certificate from ministry of foreign affairs ▪ Inventory/packing list, copy ▪ AWB/OBL (telex release is acceptable) ▪ Diplomatic ID Card ▪ Certified true copy of passport ▪ Custom declaration (ask your local agent) ▪ Authorization letter (ask your local agent) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Once the Embassy/Consulate has provided the clearance certificate, the local agent will arrange for a Customs clearance. ▪ Shipments of "A" Facility diplomatic status will NOT undergo physical Customs Inspection. 	
Motor vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Vehicle Document Requirements (additional to above): ▪ Proof of Ownership, Details of vehicle, make, model etc. ▪ Other documents will be prepared by EFL Relocation and will require the customer to sign and stamp with company seal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diplomatic personal vehicle shipments are duty free. ▪ Diplomats, United Nations officials and some NGO organizations are permitted to import a motor vehicle duty free providing that they hold a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sri Lankan Government or hold an official duty free facility. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Other than the diplomats, personals may apply duties and taxes for all vehicle imports. ▪ It is not recommended to private Individuals to bring their USED / NEW vehicles to Sri Lanka under personal effects. For further information, please contact your local agent.

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Wine & alcohol	No special documents required.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diplomats, United Nations officials and some NGO organizations are permitted to import a motor vehicle duty free providing that they hold a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sri Lankan Government or hold an official duty free facility. 	
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Copy of owners passport ▪ Copy of AWB ▪ International Zoo sanitary Veterinary Health Certificate ▪ Blood Test Reports ▪ Vaccination Records ▪ Parasitic Treatment Records ▪ Import permit from Sri Lanka quarantine (your local agent can arrange) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Custom clearance and quarantine inspection will take place on arrival at Colombo airport and may kept the animal minimum 24 hours at Airport animal lodge till complete quarantine requirements. 	
Wedding Trousseaux	No special requirements		
Inheritance			
Precious metal objects			
Restricted items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alcohol ▪ Brand new Furniture ▪ Clothes & personal belongings (duty free with reasonable quantity) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Duties on consumer electronics ▪ More information at http://www.customs.gov.lk/public/files/law/rules/ScheduleB.pdf

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Computer software, including floppy disks, music discs, tapes and all video tapes ▪ Videos, CD's (will be screened for contents) ▪ Vehicles or vehicle parts 		
Prohibited items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cash ▪ Guns & Weapons ▪ Animal parts ▪ Antiques & High value items ▪ Live plants 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More information at http://www.customs.gov.lk/public/files/law/rules/ScheduleB.pdf
Alcohol (for diplomats and non-diplomats)	No special documentation	Only TWO bottles are allowed	
Customs Clearance timeframe		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Air shipments 1 -2 working days (*After transferred to CFS° ▪ FCL: 2-3 working days (*After container discharged at Colombo port) ▪ LCL: 2-3 working days (*After transferred to CFS, Transfer LCL to CFS will take 10-12 working days*) 	



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