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Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Household goods	Original OBL or AWB. Inventory copy (legible). Foreigners: Original passport of all family members. Work visa, valid over one year with family or over two years alone. Original certificate of alien Registration of all family members, which can be obtained from Immigration Office in Korea. Returning Koreans: Original passport of all family members. For Korean nationality, a stay of at least 2 years in a foreign country has to be shown in the passport, or, when accompanied by the family, a stay of at least 1 year in a foreign country.	Duty free entry: Used household effects, excluding commercial commodities, new and high value items. Subject to duties: New furniture and electrical items. Used or new automobiles and boats.	Goods must arrive at POE/AOE in Korea within 6 months of the owner's arrival. Clearance is supposed to take place at a bonded warehouse. Shipper's presence is not required during Customs inspection but it is recommendable for returning Koreans. All incoming shipments are subject to 100% inspection by Korean Customs authority.
Household goods and vehicle for diplomatic personnel	 Original OBL or AWB. Inventory copy (legible). Application for duty exemption form issued by Foreign Affairs Ministry of Korea. Automobile title. Copy of registration certificate. Original purchase receipt or invoice. Insurance policy. Vehicle must be listed on the inventory with full technical specifications (make, model, plate number, year, etc.). 	Customs duty exemption for vehicles showing frame nr. (or chassis nr.), engine nr, model, and type, etc.	Documentary dearance without physical inspection. The car cannot be sold or transferred to other persons for three (3) years after Customs clearance. This can be done after that period only after payment of the Korean Customs duty, calculated at that time.



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New and electronic items		All brand new items (including items used less than 6 months) are taxable and the duty/tax rates are as follows: Electric appliances: 20.0% of Customs assessed value Carpet: 24.3% Furniture: 22.5% - 54.8% Golf club: 70% Grand & upright piano: 20% Ski: 20% Air cleaner: 51.2%	Clearance procedure same as household goods.
Precious metal objects	+	Subject to payment of duties:	
Presents, souvenirs		Subject to payment of duties for high valued items.	
Antiques, works of art		Duty free entry unless they are national treasures.	
Vehide, motorcycle & mechanical equipment	Title document. Copy of registration certificate. Original purchase receipt or invoice. Insurance policy.	Subject to payment of duties.	Vehicle must be listed on the inventory with full technical specifications (make, model, plate n°, year, etc.)
Prohibited items		Drugs. Firearms (can only be imported with a special permit from the proper Korean authority). Ammunition. Pornographic material. Imitation of bank notes and coins.	
Wine, alcohols		According to the Korean Customs regulations, 2 bottles of wine or spirit per adult can be brought into Korea. In the case of removing shipment, shipper can bring wine and spirit with his household goods and	



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		personal effects, but he has to pay Customs duty/tax based on Customs assessed value as below: Wine: 52.95% of duty & 15.295% of tax. Cognac: 164.5% of duty & 26.45% of tax. Whiskey: 176% of duty & 27.6% of tax. Beer: 249.7% of duty & 24.97% of tax.	
Food		Duty free entry for small am ounts. Subject to payment of 20% duty if total am ount is too large as part of household goods.	
Plants, vegetables	Quarantine certificate of the entrance administration office of airport.	Duty free entry.	
Pets	Dogs and cats: Health certificate, issued within 7 days before departure, from origin country. Certificate of rabies vaccination, injected at least 30 days prior to entry in Korea. Birds: Health certificate, issued within 7 days before departure, from origin country. For parrots, CITES documents have to be prepared at origin and destination countries.	Duty free entry.	Dogs and cats — will be released within 24 hours after being inspected by an animal quarantine official at the airport of entry. Birds — 5 days of quarantine.