

## **Form for Baggage Declaration**

**[See Section 81 of the Customs Act, 1982]**

1. Each passenger will be supplied with one form only for declaring the particulars required in respect of articles forming part of the baggage imported by him.

2. Passengers should fill in the first two columns only of the declaration on pages 2 and 3 of this form. Columns 3 and 4 will be filled in by the Customs Officer. No free allowance will be granted unless the quantities and values of the articles are declared fully.

3. The bona fide baggage accompanying a passenger is exempt from duty. Bona fide baggage includes wearing apparel, toilet requisites and other personal effects specified in paragraph 4 below, provided that the articles are not for sale and are imported for the personal use of a passenger or of members of his family traveling with him, but it does not include the articles described in column 1 on pages 2 and 3 on which duty must be paid in all cases when imported in excess of the free allowances, if any, admissible under the rules in force.

4. The term "Other personal effects" used in paragraph 3 includes the following articles which, though entitled to exemption when imported in limited quantities must be fully declared under Item 17 on page 3 if they form part of a passenger's baggage :-

(1) Watches and small table clocks.

(2) Bedding and traveling rugs.

(3) Requisites for games and sports (e.g. golf clubs, fishing rods, tennis racquets etc.)

(4) Toys (if a child accompanies).

(5) Bicycles (not motor cycle).

(6) Two saddles and bridles.

(7) Perambulator or go-cart (if child accompanies).

(8) Typewriter .

(9) Portable musical instruments including portable gramophone, harmonium.

(10) Camera, cine-camera and projector of less than 35 mm.

(11) Binoculars, field glasses.

(12) Sewing machine.

(13) Deck chair, folding table and camp bed.

(14) Dressing case (fitted).

Personal effects not mentioned in the above list must also be fully declared.

5. Duty when charged ad valorem is charged on the value of the goods in India including cost of importation.

6. On payment of duty a provisional or final receipt will be immediately granted. If the receipt is provisional a detailed receipt giving full particulars necessary for the identification of any articles will be sent on application being made to the Assistant Commissioner, Preventive Service.

7. Reimported articles of private personal property. -Articles of private personal property which prior to their import into India have been exported there from are exempt from duty provided that the Customs Commissioner is satisfied :-

(1) As to the identity of the goods; (2) that no drawback of duty was paid on their export; (3) that the ownership of the goods has not changed between the time of export and re-import; or if it has changed, it has remained in the family of the exporter; (4) that the goods are being imported for personal use and not for sale; (5) that not more than 3 years have elapsed since the goods were exported. If any alterations, renovations or repairs have been executed subsequent to the export duty is leviable on the cost of such alteration etc.

8. Effects of persons arriving on Transfer of Residence. -The following free allowances shall be granted to persons arriving on transfer of residence. Personal and household effects not covered by any exemption allowed, excluding motor vehicles, arms and ammunitions, cinematograph films of standard width and consumable stores, when imported by or on behalf of a person on a bona fide transfer of residence to this country after continuous residence abroad for a period not less than three years; Provided that

(a) the goods are duly declared (in a separate form prescribed for the purpose), and produced to the Customs Officer at the port of importation and are covered by a duly certified declaration on ownership and use abroad,

(b) the Customs Commissioner is satisfied that the goods have been in owner's possession and use for not less than one year and that they are being imported by the owner for his or her personal or domestic use and not for sale,

(c) the goods are imported within the prescribed time-limit.

9. Passengers are informed that Customs Officers are empowered to examine and detain all packages which they suspect or regarding which doubts may arise.

10. Attention of passengers is drawn to Reserve Bank Notification No. F.E.R.A. 87/49-R.B., dated the 10th September, 1949 in terms of which a form A, B or BX whichever is appropriate must be completed by the incoming passengers in respect of foreign currency notes in possession and Customs authentication to the declaration obtained. Failure to do this may result in inconvenience and delay in cashing such notes by Banks in India.

11. Trade and Exchange Control Regulations. -Except baggage for personal use in reasonable quantities, all other articles imported must be covered by Specified or Open General Licences.

NOTE :- Any complaint against a Customs Officer should be brought to the notice of the Senior Customs Inspector on duty and if necessary to the Assistant Commissioner-in-Charge, Preventive Service. For this purpose a complaint box has been provided at a conspicuous place in the Baggage examination Hall.

Caution.: -Any person making a false declaration or attempting to pass dutiable goods without payment of duty is liable to a fine and confiscation of the property.

## BAGGAGE DECLARATION

Name and Nationality (in **BLOCK** letters)

Declaration No.

or Steamship Form Date .....19 .....

Aircraft

Description of goods	Value of goods in rupees or in sterling	For Customs Officer's use only		Remarks and Orders
		Rate of Duty	Amount of duty	
1	2	3	4	5

1. Firearms (full particulars to be entered on page 4)  
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2. Cartridges  
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3. Other sorts of arms  
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4. Wireless sets and parts  
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5. Pianos, Pianolas, and other musical instruments  
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6. Gramophone records (state number)  
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7. extile fabrics  
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8. Beer, wine, spirits (state quantity)  
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9. Perfumed spirits (state quantity)  
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10. Cigars and cigarettes (state number)  
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11. Tobacco (state weight)  
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12. Instruments, apparatus and appliances  
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13. Personal jewellery in use  
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14. Articles for household use
  - (a) Glassware  
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  - (b) Crockery  
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  - (c) Silverware  
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  - (d) Plated ware  
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- (e) Cutlery
- (f) Pictures
- (g) Household linen
- (h) Kitchen utensils
- (i) Portable stove
- (j) Stores (Provisions)
- (k) Furniture
- (l) Carpets
- (m) Cretonne and other cloth
- 15. Motor cars, motor cycles and accessories
- 16. Commercial samples
- 17. Other articles (please see paragraph 4),
  - (a) Currency
  - (b) Gold and Silver bullion, coins, manufactures, etc.
  - (c) Precious stones
- 18. Articles intended for sale or for the use of other parties

TOTAL

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I certify that the above is a correct and full statement of the articles in my baggage which are required to be declared in accordance with the instructions on the first page of this form and of their estimated value. I certify also that I have entered separately in the above list all articles included in my baggage which do not belong to me or to any member of my family traveling with me or which are for sale or are intended for the use of other parties.

Total NO of packages..... P.R. NO..... of..... Signature..... Amount Rs.  
 ..... P ..... Occupation ..... Full address in India  
 ..... Cashier.....

N .B -If you have other baggage arriving by another steamer, please state the port to which it has been dispatched. This will avoid delay when it arrives.

Name of Port

N.B. All firearms including Officers. Military Equipment must be produced for examination. In handing arms to

Customs Officers. passengers are required to unload them if they are charged. To avoid accidents particular attention is invited to this precaution.

Nature of weapon: Rifle, Gun, Revolver or Pistol	No. of barrels or Chambers	Bore	Number	Maker's name	Value	For Rifles only		Remarks
						Range upto which sighted	fitted for Bayonets	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9