

Simple Steps for Shipping Personal Effects

<p>Packing your personal items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use strong well taped cartons • Delicate items should be well wrapped in bubble wrap and put in the middle of carton • All Cartons must labelled clearly with destination address • Measure your unpacked items to get quotes for packing or palletising • Don't pack any hazardous items'; these can make it very costly. If you need to ship them call us for advice. • Most countries are getting very strict about untreated timber and timber has to be stamped and documented if used. 	<p>If you need cartons, tape and bubble wrap have a look on our website.</p> <p>If you need advise on packing delicate items call us on 01392 311420</p> <p>Call us for advice on hazardous items.</p> <p>Ask us about the treated timber regulations before you pack if you are thinking of using any timber or timber based products for packing.</p>
<p>Keep a list of your contents</p>	<p>A general list is sufficient, but make sure you list any valuable items separately. This list is needed by the forwarding agent shipping your items but also you will find it useful when you arrive and have to arrange or get an agent to arrange Customs clearance.</p>	<p>Down load our Shipping Inventory if you want a format to follow.</p>
<p>Getting a quote</p>	<p>The more information you have, the more accurate your quote will be. All shipping/air freight costs are based on the weight and size of the shipment. Use your bathroom scales and tape measure or ruler. Measure furniture and we will estimate the weight of it for you.</p> <p>Have the addresses that you want your belongings collected from and the address where you want them sent. Where possible you can give telephone numbers and email addresses.</p> <p>Make sure you tell us about any access restrictions when collecting your goods, as this may affect the kind of truck we use.</p>	<p>Call us for a quote, we can then Talk you through what you want us to do and what you want to do yourself.</p> <p>Please ask for clarification if you are not clear on anything.</p> <p>Have a look at our INCO chart for commercial shipments this gives you an idea how it works.</p>

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<p>Booking your shipment</p>	<p>Lots of freight forwarders do not handle personal effects because it can be fraught with misunderstandings so we think it is very important that you fully understand the process and what you have to pay for.</p> <p>Shipping terminology can confuse and so please don't hesitate to ask us to clarify anything, much better now than feeling that annoyed later.</p> <p>Inform us of any access restrictions you might have at the collection and delivery address, as this may affect cost and timings.</p>	<p>If you are on a budget make sure we know what you want so we can ship it to suit your requirements.</p>
<p>Shipping your belongs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will book your shipment and advise you of the vessel/flight, date of departure, date of arrival etc. • Payment to us will be needed before we issue you with the paperwork • We will supply you with the paperwork you need together with the name and address of the company to contact on arrival at your destination country • These dates can alter by a few days due to weather or the Shipping Co/Airline changing their schedule, it is usually no more than 1 -2 days. • When the shipment arrives at the destination port if it is a part container shipment you then have to allow 5 - 10 days for the vessel to off loaded and then the container to be unpacked before you can arrange to have your cargo. • Air freight is usually 1 - 2 days but you need to make sure that you have all the paper work and customs sorted as Airlines will charge rent if you have any delays. 	<p>Sea Freight - Bill of Lading</p> <p>Air Freight - Air Way Bill</p> <p>Shipping inventory</p> <p>Please check with us to see if you need any other paperwork.</p> <p>I.e. Timber packing declaration</p>

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<p>Getting in Touch</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get in touch with the Company we gave you, quoting the document number. • Decide who is handling the Customs Clearance for you. • Get as much done before the shipment arrives so no delays and the possibility of rent. • Sort out delivery dates or if you are doing your own find out if you need to quote anything when collecting your belongings. • Australia imports often need to be fumigated prior to release and the authorities will charge you for this process. 	<p>It is very important to make contact and leave your details with the handling agent. Ask them for information or advice on Local practices etc.</p> <p>If at any stage you are unsure then please contact us and we will find out any information you need.</p>
<p>General Bits and Bobs</p>	<p>Shipping dates can alter by a few days due to weather or the Shipping Co/Airline changing their schedule, it is usually no more than 1 -2 days.</p> <p>When the shipment arrives at the destination port if it is a part container shipment you then have to allow 5 - 10 days for the vessel to be off loaded and then the container to be unpacked before you can arrange to have your cargo.</p> <p>Air freight is usually 1 - 2 days but you need to make sure that you have all the paper work and customs sorted as Airlines will charge rent if you have any delays. So arrange for the flight to arrive 3 - 7 days after you arrive in the country to give you time to sort our customs etc.</p> <p>If using an agent in the destination country then Get a quote from them but bear in mind that often most countries charges are more expensive than the UK.</p> <p>Each country has different rules so it is worth checking if any of them applies to your shipment.</p>	<p>Unfortunately once a ship has sailed, any changes in the schedule causing delays although rare are outside our control, but we can keep you posted and help in whatever way possible.</p>

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<p>Delivery to your address</p>	<p>When arranging delivery or getting a quote for delivery, bear the following in mind:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are your items easy to off load from a vehicle or do you need the vehicle to be a tail-lift vehicle. Tail-lift vehicles do cost more so get this included in a quote. 2. Most delivery companies will only deliver to kerb side so may need to get friends or family to help on the day of delivery. 3. Notify us up front if there are any permanent or temporary access restrictions to the delivery address. 4. Check your packages and if you can see damage take a photo and sign the receipt with details of the damage. Although damage is not common, if you follow this procedure and you have taken out insurance it will help with the process. 5. If you have not taken out insurance again, you must sign for the goods clearing stating that there are signs of damage. You will only be entitled to the limited liability of the airline/shipping line/ Truck Company and this often does not cover the value of the damage. 	<p>If a vehicle cannot be off loaded and has to return to the depot this will incur extra costs.</p> <p>Ask about insurance and carrier liability if you are unsure of what works best for you.</p>
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We are very happy to give free independent advice relating to your Personal Effects. Please don't hesitate to give us a call on 01392 311420