



Important Notice To Customers Exporting Private Shipments

New Zealand Customs (NZC) rules effective from March 1st 2004, require that **all** cargo exported from New Zealand must have a Customs Export Clearance. This includes personal effects, gifts, unaccompanied baggage and pets.

The shipper must obtain a Customs Delivery Order, before cargo can be exported from the International Cargo Terminals.

There are two categories of export clearances.

1. **NZC Export Clearance** – is required for
 - Goods having a value not exceeding \$1000
 - *Bona fide gifts to persons resident outside New Zealand
 - *Passenger baggage and personal/household effects, irrespective of value.
 - *Tools of trade

2. **NZC Export Entry** - is required for
 - Goods having a value exceeding \$1000 (excluding items marked with an asterisk above)Full details of the consignment are required including a commercial invoice stating quantities and values. A valid passport or drivers licence will need to be presented for identification purposes. Please be prepared to fill in the PDF document posted on this site titled "nzcs224.pdf", to facilitate an export entry at the airport.

Air New Zealand's International Cargo Terminals at Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch will facilitate an export clearance or export entry, for all private shippers. This will be done by an independent Customs Broker after the acceptance transaction is complete and during the Civil Aviation Authority holding period. (NB CAA law requires a 36 hour hold or x-ray screening of all private shipments.) This clearance service is available to non commercial exporters only. NZC Export Clearance charges will apply.

Note for passengers: Excess Baggage charges apply when a customer's checked in baggage exceeds the free allowance either by weight or by the number of pieces permitted. For passengers using the excess baggage service, no NZC Export Clearance is required. For customers that exceed their baggage allowance by up to 20kgs, generally the Excess Baggage service is more cost effective than sending the items as unaccompanied baggage or cargo.

For general information regarding the new Export Rules.

Phone 0800 4 CUSTOMS (0800 428 786)

Email feedback@customs.govt.nz

www <http://www.customs.govt.nz/exporters/default.asp>

Prohibited and restricted exports information is available at this link.

<http://www.customs.govt.nz/library/fact+sheets/default.asp> (select fact sheet 4)