

**Licensed Customs Broker
Import and Export Freight
Transport and Warehousing**

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Importing Vehicles into Australia

To import a vehicle into Australia you must consider the following things:

1. **Import permit from Department of Transport and Regional Services.**

All vehicles that are imported to Australia require an import permit. If a vehicle comes in without it, it can be re exported as a prohibited import.

Vehicles are granted import permits under the following circumstances:

- Personally imported vehicles. This is where the importer has owned and used for more than 12 continuous months.
- Vehicles that were manufactured prior to 1st January 1989.
- Vehicles that are to be used for motorsport purposes only.
- Vehicles that are not designed to be used on the road.
- Vehicles imported under an ATA Carnet.
- Vehicles where you can obtain a letter of compliance.

2. **Vehicles with air conditioning.**

If you plan to import any vehicle with air conditioning, there are specific rules governed by The Department of Environment, Water, heritage and the Arts.

Unless it is a personal import it is best to have the air conditioner degassed and the receiver dryer removed prior to shipping.

3. **Quarantine. (AQIS)**

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Used vehicles must be inspected by AQIS on arrival at an AQIS registered depot. This inspection is very strict and 99.9% of the time results in further treatment such as steam cleaning and vacuuming.

It is very important that vehicles are not imported in a very dirty state (ie: caked in mud) as AQIS has the authority to re export vehicles in this state.

My advice is to ensure that the vehicles is as clean as possible before export, but accept that further cleaning will be required on arrival.

4. Duties and GST

Customs duties applicable to imported vehicles:

- Cars more than 30 years old – duty free
- Off road vehicles (as defined in the Customs tariff) – 5%
- Passenger vehicles – 10%

Import GST applicable to import vehicles:

Import GST is applicable to all vehicles. It is calculated on 10% of (value of the vehicle plus the freight and packing plus the duty)

Luxury car tax is an additional tax on vehicles worth over a certain value. It is calculated as follows:

If the value of (Customs Value + Duty + Transport + insurance + import GST) exceeds A \$ 57,183 then the LCT payable is 33% of the amount above A \$ 57,183

5. Registration in Australia.

Registration requirements vary from State to State so please contact your local registration office.

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