

BELIZE FACTS AND FIGURES

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Customs

Persons entering Belize are required to fill out a customs declaration form.

There are items that Belize considers restricted and prohibited.

Restricted goods include sensitive items which may require duties to be paid such as alcohol, plants, animals and items of wood etc.

The major prohibited items are illegal drugs and firearms. Detection of illegal drugs will lead to arrest and prosecution.

It is illegal to import undocumented firearms into Belize, and, if these are found undeclared, prosecution will be initiated by Customs officials. For a firearm that has been licensed to a person in Belize, the item will be allowed into the country by Customs officials. If the firearm is new to the country, and is declared at the Port of Entry, it will be held and processed by the Customs Department until a license is given.

Under the laws of Belize, persons are allowed to import up to US\$4,999 or its equivalent in cash. Visitors carrying US\$5,000 or over in cash are required to make a declaration to Customs at the Port of Entry.