#### Glossary

MOA - Ministry of Agriculture

MOH - Ministry of Health

MNS - Ministry of National Security

PRAD - Pharmaceutical Regulatory Affair Division

KSAH - Kingston and St. Andrew Health Department



For Further Information contact
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#### **Restricted Items**

Importers are sometimes unaware of the various permit requirements as it relates to the importation of goods. As a result, they are found to be in contravention of the Customs Act. Ignorance is no excuse under the law, instead the

Customs Agency would prefer to have knowledgeable customers who are compliant with the rules and regulations rather than to penalize.

Please see list of items for which permits are required. Note this list is subject to change as items are added and taken off as the Government dictates.



### **ITEMS NEEDING A PERMIT FROM** THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY









Camouflage clothing&material Bullet Proof Vests

Crossbows





**Motorcycles over 700cc** 

**Spears** 







Radar Detectors



Sword



**Toy Guns** 



Metal Detectors



**Riot Gears** 

### **ITEMS NEEDING A PERMIT FROM** THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY

**NCB North Tower** 2 Oxford Rd., Kingston 5 website: www.mns.gov.jm

email: protective.security@mns.gov.jm telephone: 1(876) 906-4908;906-4080

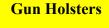






**Gun Cleaning Kits** 

**Armoured Truck** 









**Bows & Arrows** 

Credit Card Scanner Gun powder and cartridge



**Laser Lights** 



**Dynamite & Nitro-glycerine** 







**Pepper** Spray

### **Frequently asked Questions**

1. I would like to take with me my turkey and ham for my Christmas vacation, is this allowed?

> **Ans:** The importation of meats whether processed or not is restricted and will require a permit from our Ministry of Agriculture before importation (permit contact information overleaf).

2. Can red peas (red kidney beans) be imported without a permit?

> **Ans:** The importation of red peas (red kidney beans) requires a permit from our Ministry of Agriculture. (see overleaf).

3. I would like to take in my suitcase, toy guns and fire crackers for my young family members, is this allowed?

> **Ans:** The importation of these items are restricted as they are deemed as threat and can be used for illicit purposes if received in the wrong hands. The requisite permits will be needed for importation of these items - see overleaf.

4. Why can't camouflage clothing be imported?

**Ans:** This gear is intended for military purposes and should be worn ONLY by military officials. It will be deemed as an impersonation or a threat if civilians are caught wearing this type of clothing.

5. Will I need a permit to take home the remains of my deceased family member?

> **Ans:** Yes, a KSAH permit is required for the importation of all human remains (corpse or ashes). The contact details are overleaf.

6. Why are fruits and vegetables restricted items?

**Ans:** To prevent the importation of pests and plant diseases which may be present in these produce which can pose a threat to our food security. The requisite permit is needed before bringing these items (see overleaf).

# Various items needing permits from respective agencies and their contact information

Restricted Items	Requirement	Issuing Agency	Telephone/website
Meat/Animals	Permit/Certificate	MOA	977-2489 977-2492 977-6992 (fax) www.moa.gov.jm email:vsd@moa.gov. jm
Red Peas	Permit/ Phyto Sanitary Certificate	MOA	977-0637 977-6401 9776992 (fax) www.moa.gov.jm ppq@moa.gov.jm plantquaranti- nehq@gmail.com
Fruits, Vegetables, Plants & Plant Products	Phyto Sanitary Certificate / Permit	MOA	977-0637 977-6401 977-6992 (fax) www.moa.gov.jm ppq@moa.gov.jm plantquaranti- nehq@gmail.com
Ground Provision	Phyto Sanitary Certificate /Permit	MOA	977-0637 977-6401 977-6992 (fax) www.moa.gov.jm ppq@moa.gov.jm plantquaranti- nehq@gmail.com
Pharmaceuti- cals, Chemicals, Herbal Teas	PSD Certificate	PRAD/MOH	633-7433 633-7145/6 shaws@moh.gov.jm
Firearms, and Accessories Ex- plosives, Fire- works, Sword	Permit/License to Import	MNS/Trade Board	619-6063 967-0507

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Restricted Items	Requirement	Issuing Agency	Telephone/ website
Sugar	Licence	Trade Board	967-0507
Coconut Derivatives, Oil producing Seeds, Edible Oils, Soaps	Permit	Coconut Industry Board	926-1770-2
Motor Vehicles	License	Trade Board	967-0507
Alcohol in Bulk	Spirit Pool Permit	Spirit Pool Association Ltd	968-4455 926-5944 laven- turner@spiritpoo l.com
Human Remains	KSAH Permit	Kingston & St. Andrew Health Dept. MOH	926-1550-1 922-2587
Pesticides	Permit	Pesticides Control Authority	906-6939
Milk Powder Milk Based Products	Licence/Permit	MOA	977-2489 977-2492 email:vsd@moa. gov.jm
Radios (Two—Way)	Licence/Approval	Spectrum Management Authority	967 7948 Fax -922-4093 922-8884