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## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ALL SELF-CATERING CAMPS / LODGES

### IMPORT RESTRICTIONS & DECLARATIONS

The import restrictions from the Republic of South Africa into Botswana, **ON CLOVEN HOOVED ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS**, remain as follows (since Jan'19):

1. The ban on importation of cloven-hoofed animals and their products from Limpopo Province remains in force.
2. Importation from the rest of South Africa is revised as follows:

#### 2.1 LIVE CLOVEN-HOOVED ANIMALS

The import ban remains in force until further notice.

#### 2.2 FRESH PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM CLOVEN HOOVED ANIMALS

##### 2.2.1 Meat and Milk

- (i) Matured de-boned beef allowed with a permit
- (ii) UHT milk **allowed without a permit**
- (iii) Pasteurized milk allowed with a permit
- (iv) Raw unprocessed meat and milk are not allowed

#### 3. PROCESSED ANIMAL PRODUCTS

3.1 Ready to eat products such as cooked meat, smoked food, tinned beef, polony, UHT yogurt, cheese and other processed dairy products are **allowed without a permit**.

3.2 All unprocessed meat products are not allowed (these include, vacuum packed and frozen meats, bacon, sausages.... etc.)

3.3 Meat products transiting through RSA with valid import and in transit permits are allowed.

*Further to the above, for clarity ... NO raw/par-cooked/cured meat from cloven hooved animals are allowed into Botswana - beef, pork, mutton. This means NO bacon, sausages, rasher, raw meat cuts like steak. Only fully cooked products like a cooked spare rib, but even that might be a risk for tourist in that customs might just confiscate it. Suggest not risking this, especially when traveling through the Limpopo where the FMD is. Bacon is only cured to max 30C and the FMD is only killed at +90C. Sausages are all raw. Rather avoid trying to bring in these types of meat products which could lead to confiscation at the border or arguments with officials.*


4. The import restrictions from the Republic of South Africa into Botswana, **ON FRUIT AND VEGETABLES**, are as follows:

- 4.1 Fruit is allowed with a permit.
- 4.2 Vegetables are allowed with a permit.

*Further to the above, for clarity ... NO fruits or vegetables are allowed without the relevant permit from the Department of Plant Protection, irrespective of the quantity.*

- 5.1 Wine – max 2 litres
- 5.2 Spirits and other alcoholic beverages – max 1 litre
- 5.3 Cigarettes – max 200 loose
- 5.4 Cigars - max 20
- 5.5 Cigarette / Pipe tobacco – max 250 grams

Form J ( revised 2016)



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## CUSTOMS BAGGAGE DECLARATION

Ref. No:

As. No:

R. No:

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**A. Personal Details: (in block letters)**

Full Name:

Address in Botswana

Tel/Mobile No:

Vehicle Reg/Airline/Flight No:

**B. Purpose Of Travel to Botswana (import only)**

Visitor: ☐ Tourist: ☐ New Resident: ☐ In transit: ☐ Returning Resident: ☐

**C. Baggage, Currency & Bearer Negotiable Instruments declaration:**  
*(To be completed if currency or bearer negotiable instruments equivalent to P 10 000.00 or more are carried by declarant-and/or his/ her family. Undeclared amounts are liable to seizure and the importer/exporter to prosecution under the Customs & Excise Duty Act.)*

Specify value of Botswana (BWP) currency in your possession:

Specify value of other currency in your possession:

Rand:  US Dollar:  Pounds:

Other currency, specify:

Other bearer negotiable instruments: Specify:.....

Amount:

NB: Bearer Negotiable Instruments include travellers and personal cheques, money orders and bonds.

Description of goods (see notes overleaf)	Country where goods were obtained	Value
Total:		
(Returning residents only)		
Value in Foreign Currency		

Repairs/improvements were done to my vehicle/other items while outside the country

**D. The above declaration is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.**

Date:..... Signature:.....

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**OFFICIAL USE:**

Officer's Name:.....

<p>TOTAL AMOUNT REBATED:</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Date Stamp &amp; Signature</p>
<p>TOTAL AMOUNT PAID/PAYABLE</p> <p>.....</p>	

This information will be updated from time to time when information is made available by the relevant authorities in Botswana. Should you require any assistance please contact ...

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