

If you have any questions about what you can bring home, contact the CBSA Border Information Service Line (see page 57).

ILLEGAL SOUVENIRS

There are restrictions on bringing certain goods into Canada. If you are considering bringing back meat, eggs, dairy products, fresh fruits or vegetables, plants, animals, or products made from their skins or feathers, contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency beforehand for guidance—it could save you a lot of trouble. For accurate and timely information on import requirements, consult beaware.gc.ca.

For information on importing weapons, contact the Canadian Firearms Program.

A list of products banned in Canada due to safety hazards can be found on the website of Health Canada under "Consumer Product Safety."

There are more than 30,000 species of wild animals and plants regulated under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). A violation of CITES could lead to seizure of your purchase, as well as a fine and/or prison term. Contact Environment Canada for details.

Also, be aware that it may be illegal to bring home cultural property, such as antiques or fossils, whose sale or export is banned or controlled by the country of origin. Strict penalties may be imposed, and cultural property may be confiscated and returned to the country of origin. For more information, contact Canadian Heritage or the embassy of the country you are visiting.

