

## Shopping In Gibraltar – What has changed and how does it affect our trip?

Many of us have enjoyed the trip to Gibraltar in the past, parking in Morrisons Supermarket for a bit of retail therapy before Christmas.

It appears that the regulations around personal shopping being brought back into Spain are now a little more complex than we have experienced in the past. The big change is being unable to bring any quantity of meat and milk and their products (other than powdered infant milk, infant food and special foods required for medical reasons or petfood required for animal health-related reasons). There are limits on other purchases including the ones mentioned here as exceptions.

Obviously we want you to be completely familiar with the requirements and you will find an extract below from the relevant webpage for the Government of Gibraltar and below that, a link to the page itself so you can completely familiarise yourself with the requirements.

**Please do take the time to read through the details and take them into account if shopping on the trip.**

### **Purpose.**

The purpose of this Notice is to remind the public of the current customs regime which will be applied to citizens in possession of certain goods intended for personal consumption when crossing the land border with Spain. This repeats the advice already published by the Government on 9 November 2020.

### **Current Position.**

EU customs legislation restricts the movement of certain categories of products originating in third countries across the borders of the customs territory of the EU. Such restrictions are applied at the point of entry to the customs territory of the EU. **This is the case even when such products are intended for personal consumption or use.**

Therefore, it is no longer possible for persons to introduce the following goods<sup>[1]</sup> into the EU via the customs border at La Linea de la Concepcion:

- **Any quantity of meat and milk and their products** (other than powdered infant milk, infant food and special foods required for medical reasons or petfood required for animal health-related reasons);
- Personal consignments of **powdered infant milk, infant food, and special foods required for medical reasons** unless their combined quantity does not exceed the weight limit of 2kg per person and: (i) the product does not require refrigeration before consumption; (ii) the product is a packaged proprietary brand product; and (iii) the packaging is unbroken unless in current use;
- Personal consignments of **petfood** required for animal health-related reasons unless their combined weight does not exceed the weight limit of 2kg per person and: (i) the product does not require refrigeration before consumption; (ii) the product is a packaged proprietary brand product; and (iii) the packaging is unbroken unless in current use;
- Personal consignments of **fishery products** (including fresh, dried, cooked, cured or smoked fish, and certain shellfish, such as prawns, lobsters, dead mussels and dead oysters) unless: (i) fresh fish are

eviscerated; and (ii) the weight of the fishery products does not exceed, per person, 20 kg or the weight of one fish, whichever weight is the highest; or

- Personal consignments of other **specific animal products** such as honey, live oysters, live mussels and snails unless that their combined quantity does not exceed 2 kg per person.

Source:

<https://www.gibraltar.gov.gi/press-releases/technical-notice-25-reminder-crossing-the-border-with-goods-that-are-intended-for-personal-consumption-or-use-52021-6547>