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This Memorandum describes the procedure for importing wedding presents, engagement rings, and wedding rings into Canada on a temporary basis without payment of duties when the recipient will subsequently take up permanent residence outside Canada.

GUIDELINES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1. In certain cases, Canadian residents marry non-residents and subsequently take up residence outside Canada. Wedding presents, wedding rings, and engagement rings acquired outside Canada may be imported for a temporary period, without payment of duties. Such articles will be documented on Form E29B, *Temporary Admission Permit*, subject to the posting of a refundable security deposit.
2. When the donor imports the articles personally, Form E29B will be issued for a maximum of 15 days by the customs office where the goods arrive. If the goods are to remain in Canada beyond the 15-day period, the recipient must present the form, along with the articles, to a customs office at or nearest to his or her place of residence, to obtain a renewal for the required length of time. The form will show the names and addresses of the donor and the recipient, and, if possible, the address where the couple will reside outside Canada after the ceremony.
3. Wedding gifts may be allowed temporary entry for a maximum period of two months. Wedding rings and engagement rings are admissible for up to 12 months. All gifts, wedding rings, and engagement rings which are not exported from Canada on or before the specified time limit will be subject to duties, payable on the value of the item(s) determined at the time of initial importation.

REFERENCES

ISSUING OFFICE – Travellers Division
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES – N/A
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