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# DANGEROUS GOODS AND PROHIBITED ITEMS GUIDE

Global Specialists in Local, Interstate and International Moving



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Moving home is an important time for you and your family. It involves much more than moving your belongings; there's the excitement of a new house, new surroundings and new neighbours, plus a whole lot of organising and planning to do.

Many household items weren't made to be moved and can therefore be difficult to move without damage. Make sure your belongings are well-packed, moved by someone you trust and insured against mishaps.

WridgWays Dangerous Goods and Prohibited Items Guide enables you to prepare and ensure your move is completed in a safe manner. It's just another way we that make it easy.

## **DANGEROUS GOODS**

### **LP Gas Cylinders**

#### **No Certificate – No Carriage**

AFRA (Australian Furniture Removers Association) has always advocated via training that LP Gas Cylinders must be emptied prior to transportation.

Dangerous Goods Regulations state that such goods must not be transported in an enclosed freight container, enclosed vehicle or enclosed compartment of a vehicle unless the vehicle is ventilated to prevent the build-up of vapours that are likely to increase risk of an explosion or loss of consciousness, injury or death due to contaminants in the air (WorkSafe 2016).

Despite this warning under the Australian Dangerous Goods Code, LP Gas, which is packed in a cylinder, may be transported so long as the cylinder is gas-free and empty, and a certificate has been issued from a Gas Cylinder Test Station certified by Standards Australia stating that it is empty.

To locate your nearest Test Station, please perform a search for 'Gas Cylinder Testing' via [www.yellowpages.com.au](http://www.yellowpages.com.au)

### **Children's Play Equipment**

To prepare your children's play equipment for your upcoming move ensure that:

- + All items are dismantled/flat-packed as much as possible in preparation of transit
- + Any small components are packed into a suitable carton
- + All cartons are clearly marked with your name and labelled with the word 'trampoline', 'swing' or 'slide pieces', etc.

Should you require any additional cartons to be supplied on moving day please contact your nearest WridgWays office and we will be happy to assist you.

### **Plants**

There are a number of things to consider when preparing your plants for the moving process. While we transport plants and take the utmost care, it is important to note that we do not accept liability for damage or loss of pots or plants. WridgWays can organise specialist transportation, however this can be expensive.

If you decide to take your plants, please do not water them within two days prior to your move. If they are transported when wet, there is a chance they will leak over other items.

We discourage moving living items for a number of reasons including:

- + They don't often adapt well to different climates – many plants don't take well to being moved at all
- + They are expensive to move due to their size and bulk, and often can't be stacked
- + It is not possible to water them during the duration of your move
- + Terracotta and ceramic pots have an inherent weakness and they are inclined to crack under the weight of the soil when there is vibration, like in a truck. Plastic pots commonly have the same problem
- + Containers and trucks holding heat – on long journeys plants may suffer
- + Please consider the above and make an informed decision as to whether to take your plants to your new home or if it is better to leave them behind with family or friends. It is generally cheaper to replace them

For further information on moving plants contact the Department of Agriculture on **(02) 6272 3933**.

If your destination is **Tasmania** or **Western Australia** thoroughly clean and remove all traces of soil and vegetation from flower pots, garden tools, lawn mowers, golf clubs/buggies and outdoor items.

Strict Quarantine Laws apply in these states.

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following commodities cannot be accepted for transport (air, sea or road) under any circumstances. Applicable to goods packed by WridgWays and goods packed by the owner.

### Items Ineligible for Removal

CATEGORY 1	FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS e.g. oils, petrol, paints, varnish, kerosene, turpentine, pure alcohol, methylated spirits, photographic developers
CATEGORY 2	TOXINS AND POISONS e.g. arsenic, polishes, pesticides, weed killers, and any item exhibiting visible signs of mould
CATEGORY 3	EXPLOSIVES e.g. flares, fireworks, ammunition, black powder
CATEGORY 4	FLAMMABLE GASES e.g. oxygen, methane, acetylene, chlorine gas
CATEGORY 5	RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL e.g. wet batteries
CATEGORY 6	CORROSIVES e.g. oxides, mercury, caustic solutions
CATEGORY 7	FIREARMS (SEE FURTHER BELOW) e.g. hand guns, military weapons, fully automatic weapons
CATEGORY 8	MISCELLANEOUS (SEE EXCEPTIONS) e.g. irritants, matches, life rafts, hand guns, scuba tanks, aerosol cans, pressurised vessels, butane lighters and refills, explosive devices of any kind, gas cylinders (including home soft drink makers), and food items

### Firearms

- + The safe keeping and transport of any firearm is the sole responsibility of the owner of the firearm and there are strict guidelines with respect to storage and transport. As a matter of safety, a removalist cannot be in possession of a firearm/container at any time

### Exceptions

- + Scuba tanks may be accepted, providing they are completely empty and valves are either in open position or removed entirely
- + If you wish to take a BBQ gas cylinder, it must be certified as empty by a gas specialist
- + No food items are to be included in consignments requiring storage

I hereby declare that my consignment of household goods and personal effects contains none of the above mentioned items or to the best of my knowledge, any other item(s) that may be considered dangerous.

NAME (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Should you need advice or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your nearest WridgWays office on **1800 225 916** or visit our website **wridgways.com.au**