



Form B144 Claim for return of seized goods

Approved Form Section 205B of the *Customs Act 1901*

Please open this form using Adobe Acrobat Reader. Either type in the fields provided or print this form and complete it using a pen and BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable

To: (tick appropriate box) **Comptroller-General of Customs** OR **Commissioner of Police/Deputy Commissioner of Police**

1. In accordance with section 205B of the *Customs Act 1901*, I

Name			Date of birth / /	
Street address (do not use post office box)		Suburb	State	Postcode
Phone number	Mobile number	Fax number	Email address	

2. hereby make a claim for the return of the following seized goods:

Description of goods seized

Which were seized on the _____ day of _____ 20 ____

Name of place and State where seizure occurred

Reference number (if known)

Note: The Department of Home Affairs requires the above information to identify and contact you and also to identify the goods that are the subject of this claim. If you are required to hold a permission to import these goods, this information may also be given to the relevant permit issuing agency.

3. I am making this claim for return of seized goods, on the following grounds:

I have an Import Permit (copy to be attached to this claim form)

Goods incorrectly described in Seizure Notice

Other reason (specify) _____

Note: Lodging this claim does not in itself mean that your goods will be returned.

4. Declaration

Name of owner of goods (BLOCK LETTERS)	Signature	Date / /
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APPOINTING AN AGENT FOR PERSONS RESIDING OVERSEAS

This section **MUST** only be completed if this claim is being made by a person who does not reside or have a place of business in Australia

5. I hereby appoint the following person as my agent in Australia with authority to accept service of documents, including process in any proceedings, arising out of this matter:

Name of agent			Date of birth / /	
Street address (do not use post office box)		Suburb	State	Postcode
Phone number	Mobile number	Fax number	Email address	

On appointing an agent, this claim **MUST** be accompanied by the written consent of the agent signed by that agent, agreeing to act as agent.

Declaration – completed by agent

I agree to act as agent.

Name of agent	Signature	Date / /
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Note: The Department of Home Affairs requires the above information to identify and contact you in the event of any court action which may occur as a result of this claim.

Privacy notice

The Department of Home Affairs (the Department) is committed to protecting the personal information with which it is entrusted in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988* (the Privacy Act).

The Department is collecting your personal information for the purpose of sections 205B, 205D and 205EA of the *Customs Act 1901* (Cth). If you fail to provide some or all of the personal information requested on this form your claim may be invalid.

Your personal information may be disclosed to the Australian Border Force and government agencies that issue import or export permits for your goods.

Please refer to the Department's Privacy Policy for information about how you can request access to information we hold about you, how you can ask us to correct this information or how to make a privacy complaint about how we have handled your personal information. The Department's Privacy Policy is accessible at <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/access-and-accountability/our-commitments/privacy>.

Returning this form

This completed Form B144 Claim for Return of Seized Goods can be emailed OR posted to the Department of Home Affairs.

Email to: nationalclaims@homeaffairs.gov.au

OR

Post to: National Claims Processing Section
Legal Division
Department of Home Affairs
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Sydney NSW 2001