

OGEL limits for the export of cultural goods

	Category of Object	OGEL value limit ¹
1.	Any article over 50 years of age (excluding objects listed in categories 2-10 below) ²	£ 65,000
2.	Archaeological material found in UK soil or UK territorial waters over 50 years of age	£ Zero
3.	A manuscript, document or archive (excluding printed matter) ³ over 50 years of age	£ Zero
4.	An architectural, scientific or engineering drawing produced by hand over 50 years of age	£ Zero
5.	A photographic positive or negative or any assemblage of such photographs over 50 years of age	£10,000
6.	A textile (excluding carpets and tapestries) over 50 years of age	£12,000
7.	A portrait or other article consisting of or including a representation of the likeness of any British historical personage ⁴ (made otherwise than by photography and excluding a coin) over 50 years of age	£10,000
8.	A firearm over 100 years of age and any other arms or armour over 50 years of age ⁵	£35,000
9.	A firearm between 50 and 100 years of age ⁵	£65,000
10.	A painting in oil or tempera (excluding any portrait of a British historical personage) over 50 years of age	£180,000

1. The value is the value of the article as required to be declared for Customs purposes and if the goods to be exported consist of a matching set or pair of articles the value is the value of the matching set or pair.

2. **An individual export licence is not required to despatch goods to another EU Member State for the following:**

- a) any musical instrument over 50 years of age temporarily exported for a period of less than 6 months for use in the course of work by a professional musician;
- b) any musical instrument over 50 years of age exported following temporary importation for a period of less than 6 months, having been imported for use in the course of work by a professional musician;
- c) any motor vehicle (wherever registered) over 50 years of age (other than those designed or adapted for military or paramilitary use) temporarily exported for a period of less than 6 months for use for social, domestic or pleasure purposes (including attendance at or participation in a race, rally, or non-commercial exhibition);
- d) any foreign registered motor vehicle over 50 years of age (other than those designed or adapted for military or paramilitary use) exported following temporary importation for a period of less than 6 months, having been imported for use for social, domestic or pleasure purposes (including attendance at or participation in a race, rally, or non-commercial exhibition).
- e) any article over 50 years of age that is in the UK following its importation solely for the purpose of transit through the UK with a view to export;
- f) any article over 50 years of age that has been imported into the UK from a country outside the EU and is not in free circulation within the EU;
- g) any article over 50 years of age that the Secretary of State has approved for return to the claimant following a recommendation of the Spoliation Advisory Panel. For such articles there must be produced to Customs at the place of export a copy of the Spoliation Advisory Panel's report together with a letter from the claimant

confirming that they are content for the article to be exported.

An individual export licence is not required to export goods to a non-EU destination for the following:

- h) any motor vehicle more than 50 and less than 75 years of age (other than those designed or adapted for military or paramilitary use) exported for a period of less than 6 months for use for social, domestic or pleasure purposes (including attendance at or participation in a race, rally, or non-commercial exhibition);
 - i) any foreign registered motor vehicle more than 50 and less than 75 years of age (other than those designed or adapted for military or paramilitary use) exported following temporary importation for a period of less than 6 months, having been imported for use for social, domestic or for pleasure purposes (including attendance at or participation in a race, rally, or non-commercial exhibition);
 - j) any article over 50 years of age that is in the UK following its importation solely for the purpose of transit through the UK with a view to export;
 - k) any article over 50 years of age that has been imported into the UK from a country outside the EU and is not in free circulation within the EU;
 - l) any article over 50 years of age that the Secretary of State has approved for return to the claimant following a recommendation of the Spoliation Advisory Panel. For such articles there must be produced to Customs at the place of export a copy of the Spoliation Advisory Panel's report together with a letter from the claimant confirming that they are content for the article to be exported.
3. Before considering submitting a licence application for manorial documents, applicants must consult the Secretary of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts (HMC) on whether the Master of the Rolls will consent to their export.
 4. A British historical personage means any person, living or dead, in respect of whom an entry appears in the *Dictionary of National Biography* (or any supplement thereto), *Who's Who*, or *Who was Who*.
 5. An export licence from the Export Control Organisation within the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills may be required for cultural goods classified as firearms, military or paramilitary equipment manufactured or produced less than 100 years before the date of exportation, regardless of monetary value. See address at Appendix D.