



Customs

Calculating Customs Duty and VAT Worksheet



The following questions require you to calculate what Value Added Tax (VAT) and Customs Duties you owe on different consumer goods when you buy online from countries outside of the EU.

The following assumptions should be made:

- The rate of Customs Duty is 12% (rates of duty vary depending on the type of goods and their origin)
- Value Added Tax is charged at the standard rate of 23%

Note

- If your goods have an **intrinsic value** (the value of the goods alone excluding transport, insurance, and handling charges) of **more than €150** you will have to **pay Customs Duty.**
- The customs value on which Customs Duty is calculated is the cost of the goods plus: transport (including postage), any insurance and any handling charges to deliver the goods to the EU.
- VAT is payable on goods at the rate that would apply if they were bought in Ireland. The value of the goods for calculating the VAT owed is the customs value (described above) plus any duty or other tax (excluding VAT) payable and any transport, insurance or handling costs after the goods arrive in the EU.

Question 1



	€
Athletic trainers	199.99
Handling, transport, and insurance	15.00
Value for Customs purposes	
Customs Duty (12%)	
Value for VAT purposes	
VAT (23%)	
An Post/Courier handling fee	10.00
Total Cost	

Question 2



	€
DSLR camera	949.99
Handling, transport, and insurance	10.00
Value for Customs purposes	
Customs Duty (12%)	
Value for VAT purposes	
VAT (23%)	
An Post/Courier handling fee	20.00
Total Cost	

Question 3



	€
Sports watch	30.00
Handling, transport, and insurance	
Value for Customs purposes (intrinsic value is less than €150)	
Customs Duty (12%)	
Value for VAT purposes	
VAT (23%)	
An Post/Courier handling fee	3.00
Total Cost	