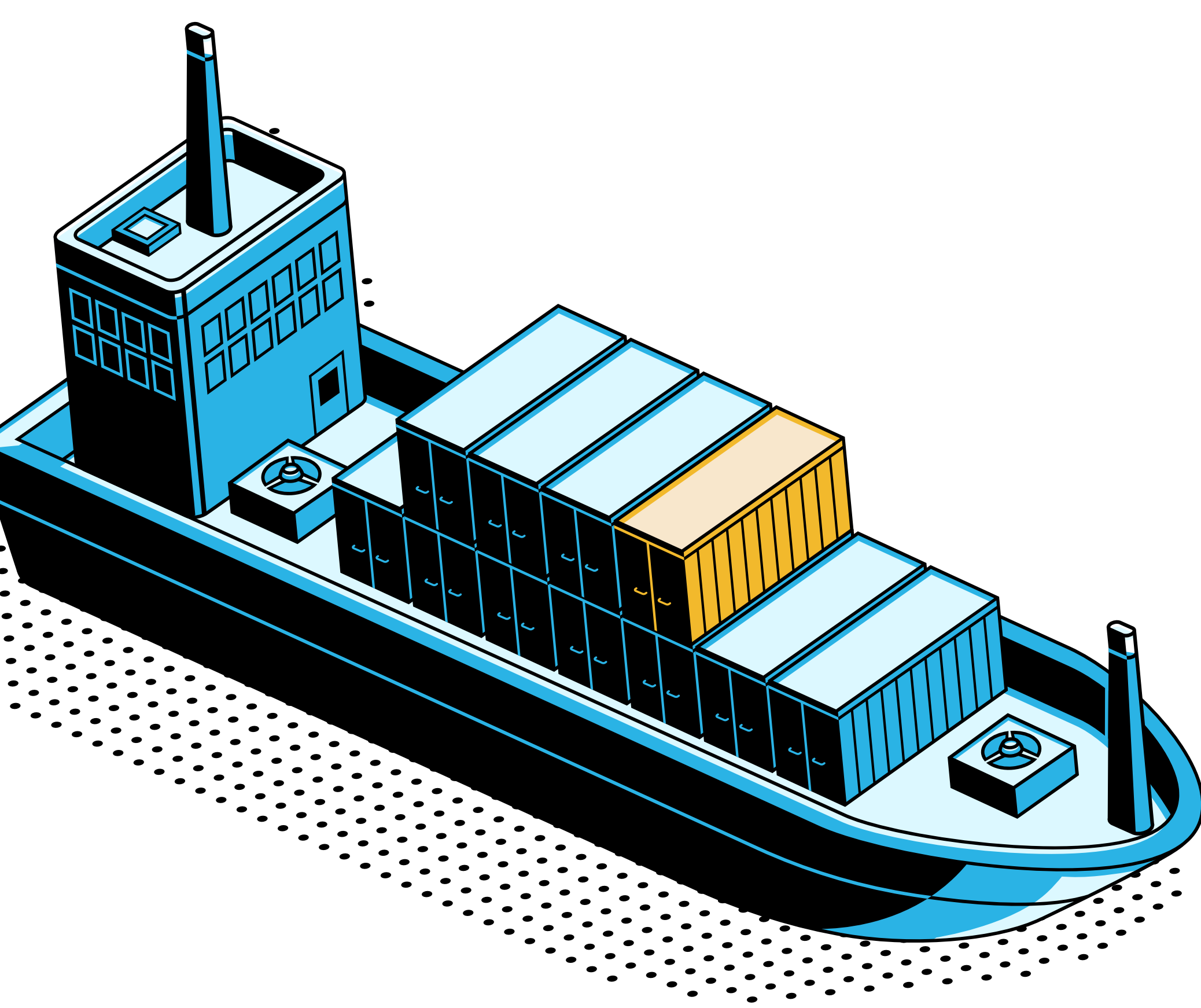


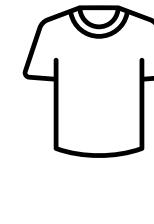

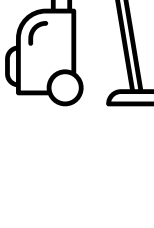

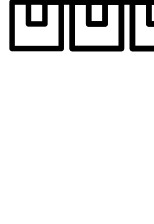
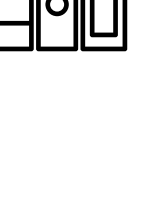


INTERNATIONAL MOVING CHECKLIST

Don't get buried in the complicated details of shipping your personal effects overseas. Follow our handy checklist to make sure your belongings are shipped on time and damage free.





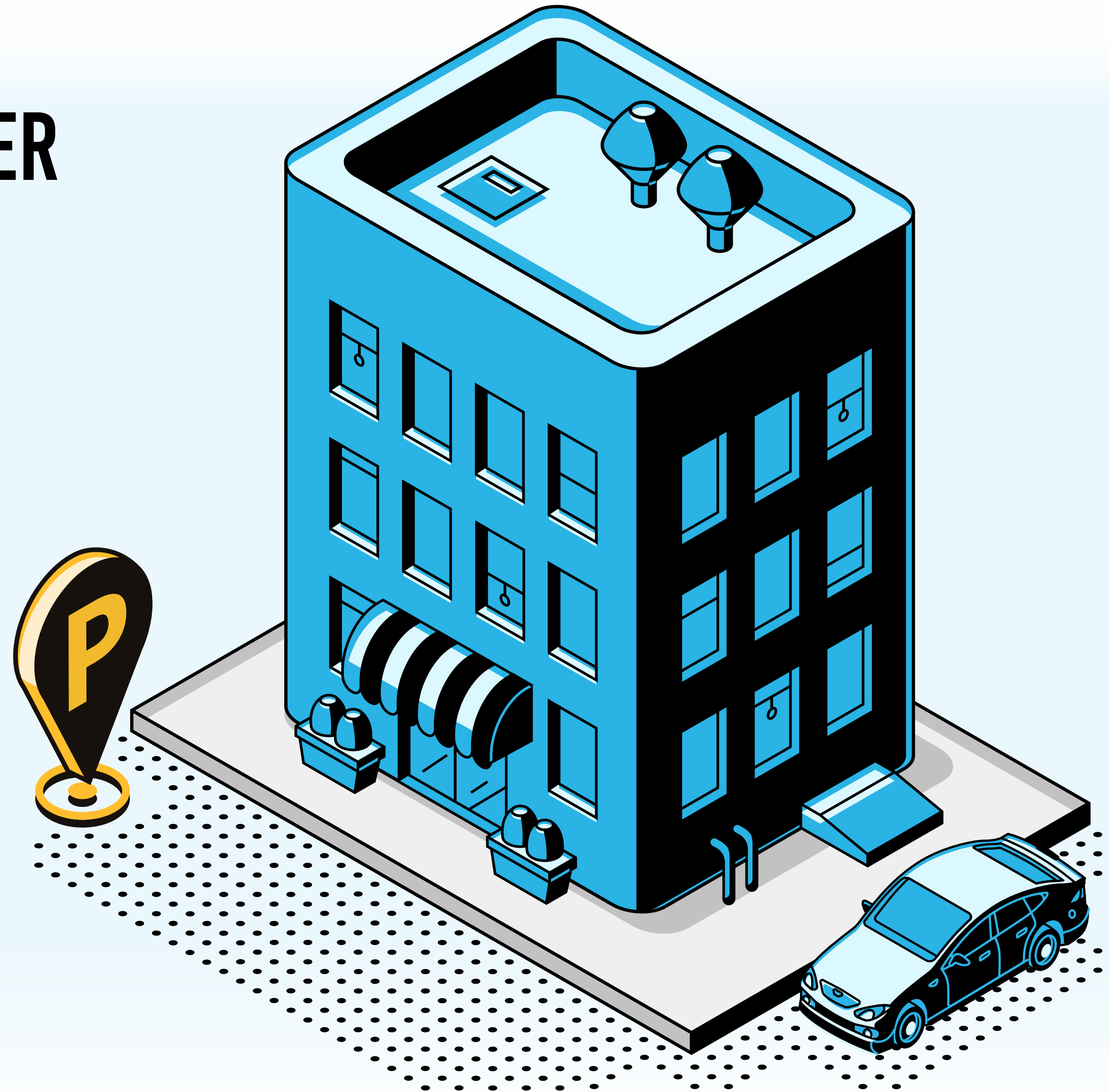
WHAT YOU CAN AND CAN'T SHIP IN AN OCEAN CONTAINER:

	YES to things you use in your everyday personal life, up to and including a car.		NO to anything dangerous or that might suggest it has a commercial use.
	Clothing		2 cases of your favorite household cleaner
	Appliances		Firearms
	Supplies in limited quantities		10 bottles of vodka

SECURING A SHIPPING CONTAINER FOR INTERNATIONAL MOVING.

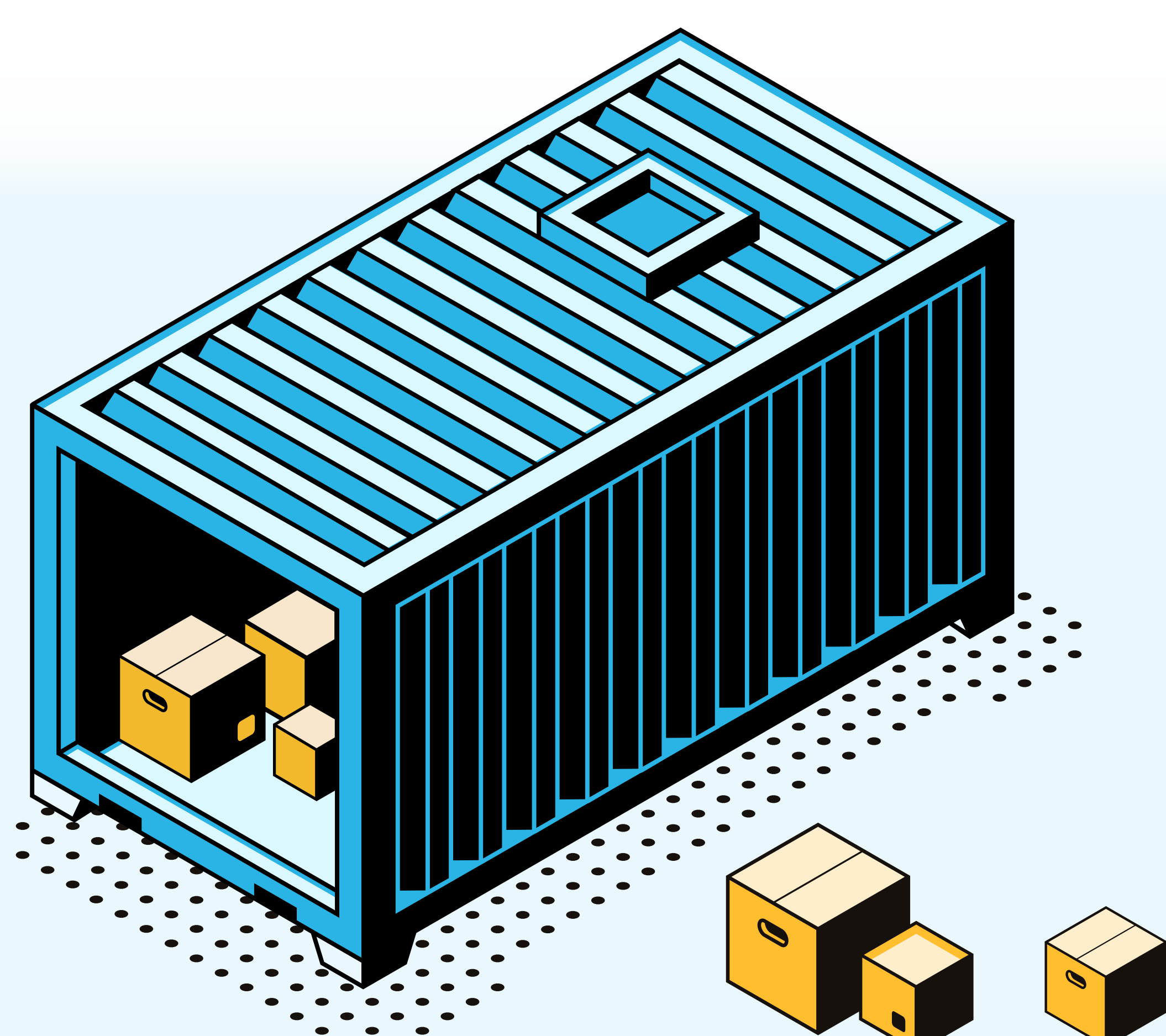
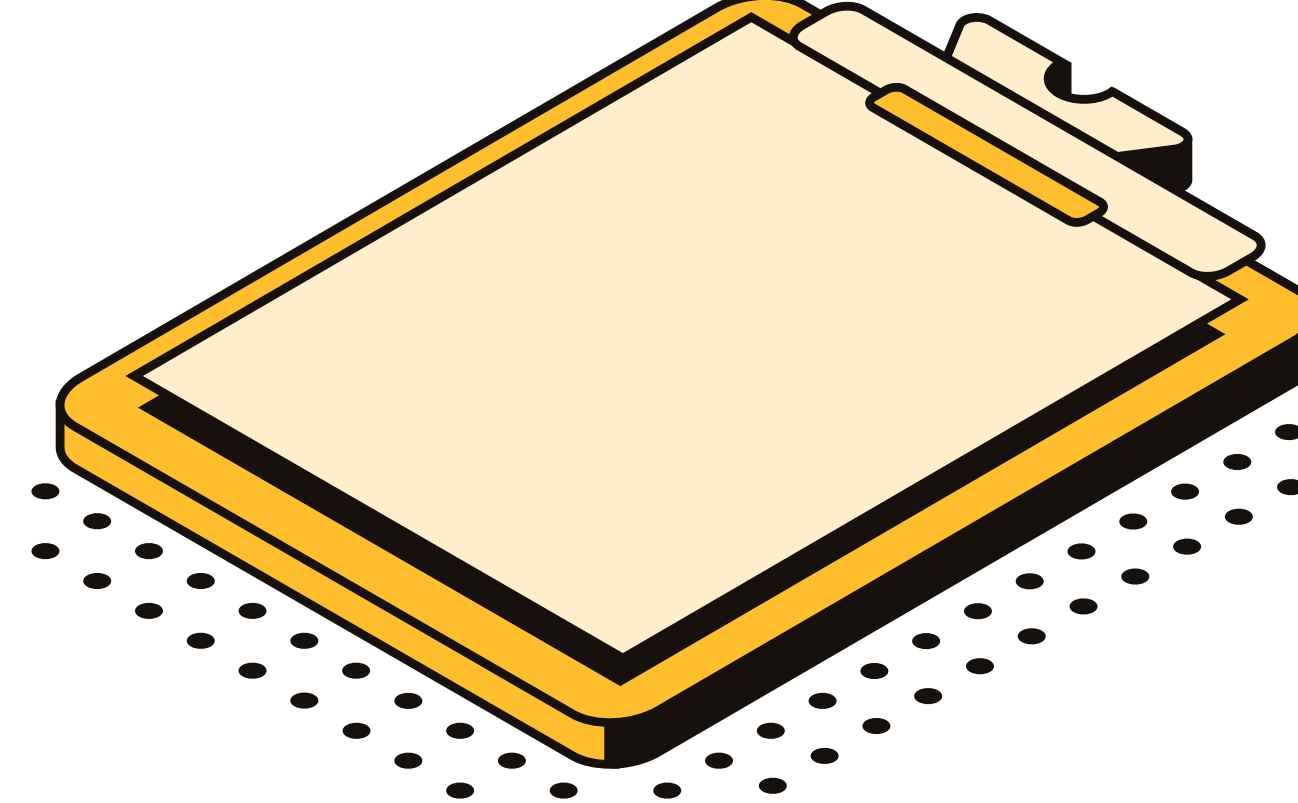
Your shipping company can arrange as many as you need and have them delivered to your home for loading.

-  Easy if you have a driveway or ample street parking.
-  Tougher if you need to park a container on an urban street. You may need a special permit, so allow time for this. Your shipping company can provide advice.






PREPARING YOUR INTERNATIONAL SHIPMENT BEFORE YOUR CONTAINER ARRIVES:

- 1 Create a list** of everything you will put in the containers, with estimated weights and values (for Customs).
- 2 Produce 3 copies** of this list with one in your origin country language (for your shipping partner), another in the destination country language (for Customs) and another in the language of your choice (for you).
- 3 Label each box, tote or bag** with the contents and assign a number that corresponds with your written list.
- 4 Pack and seal** everything before the container arrives to minimize the time and cost for the container/driver.
- 5 Consider insurance.** Talk to your shipping partner about the need to insure your shipment.



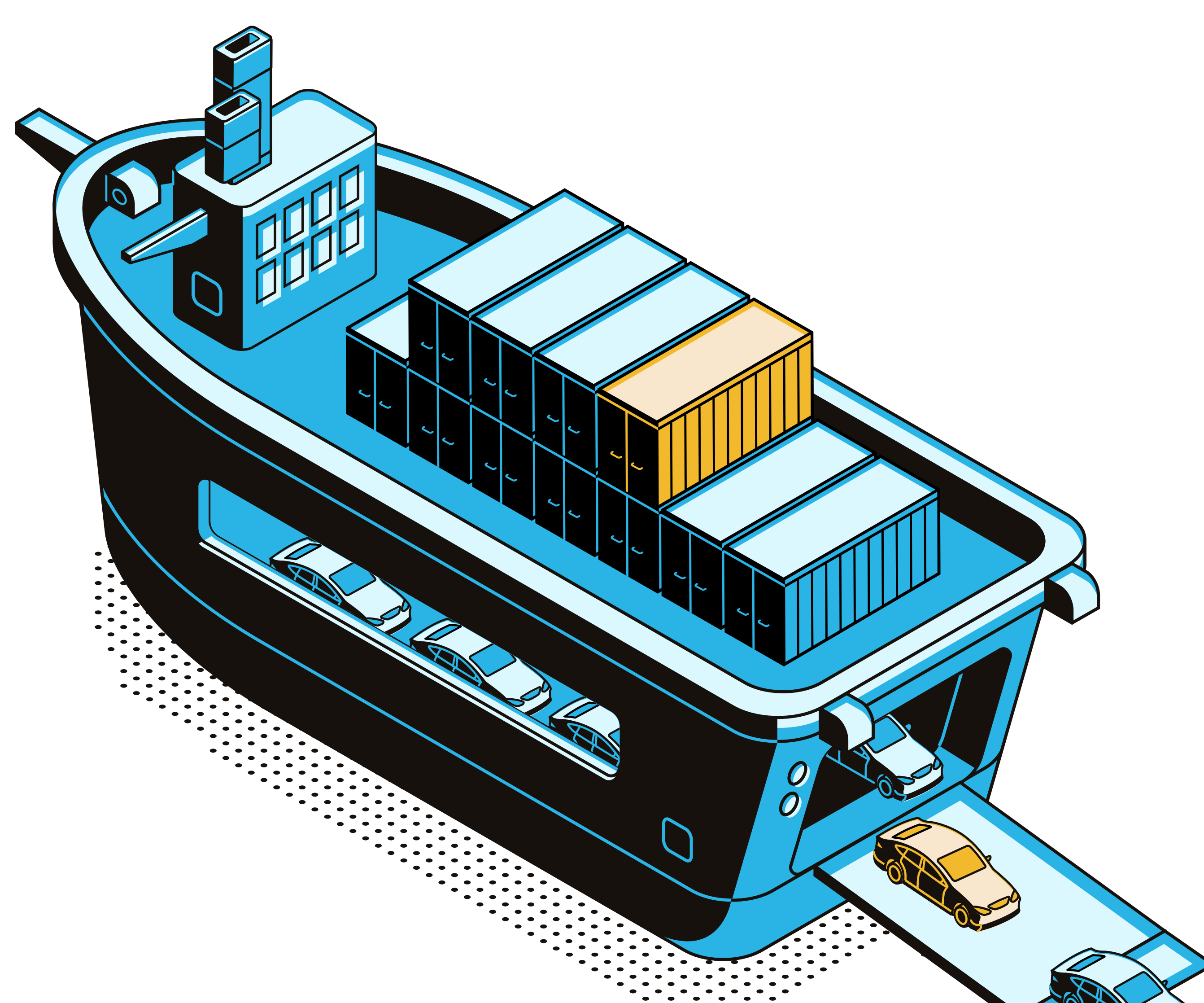
LOADING THE CONTAINER

You are responsible for loading the container, not the truck driver.

-  Dollies and handcarts can help, but you'll need a makeshift ramp to roll it up to container floor height and avoid lifting.
-  On your list of loaded items, note the location of each box in the container as you load.
-  Use ratcheting straps to keep items from shifting. Wrap the straps around the hooks located on the bottom and top of the container.





SHIPPING A CAR

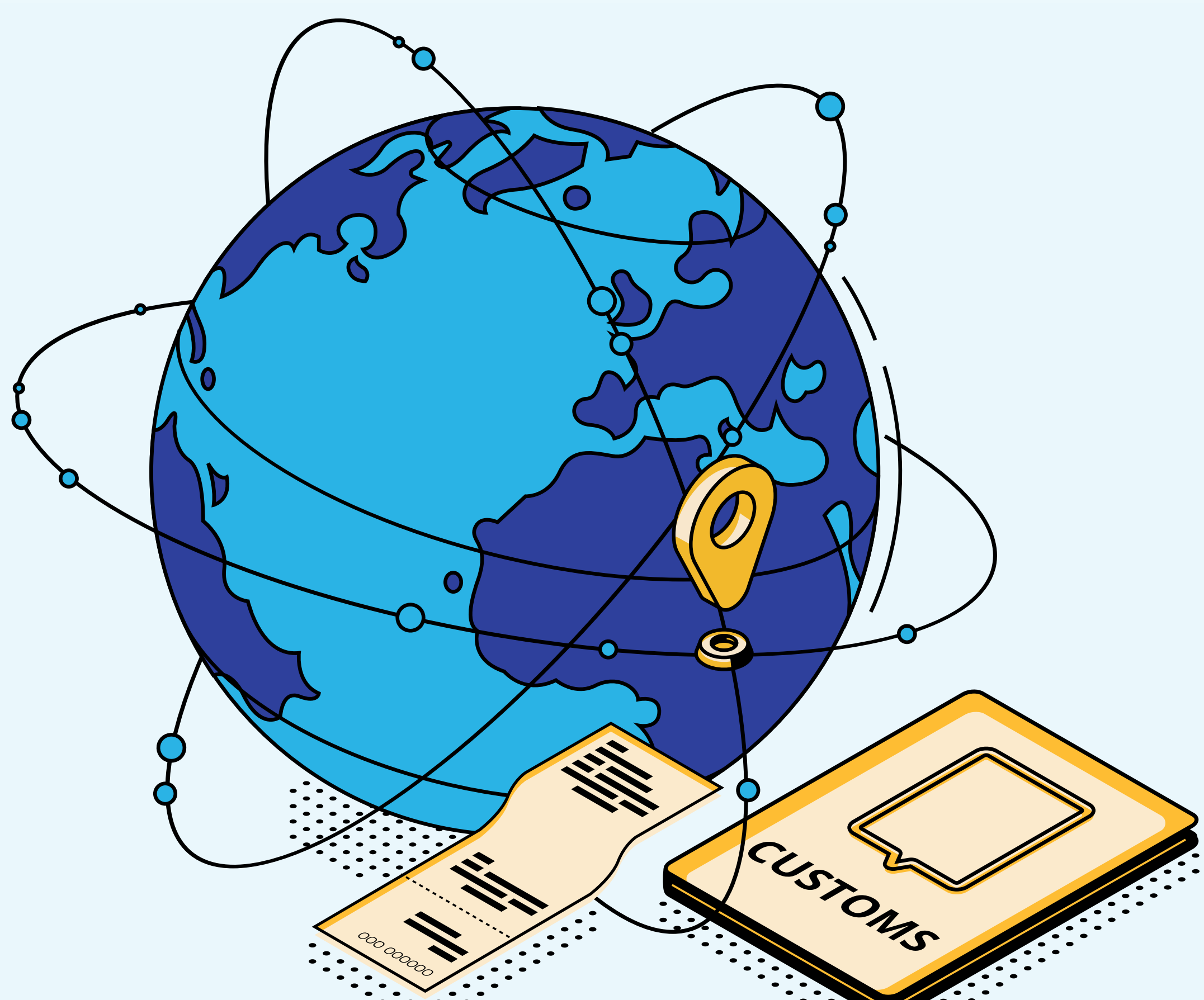
It's cheapest if the car fits in the container. If it can't, you'll need to arrange shipping on a roll-on/roll-off vessel. A container of personal effects generally does not go through an export customs clearance process – unless there's a car in the container. That will require export paperwork.





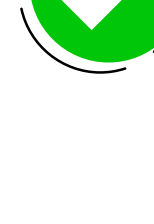
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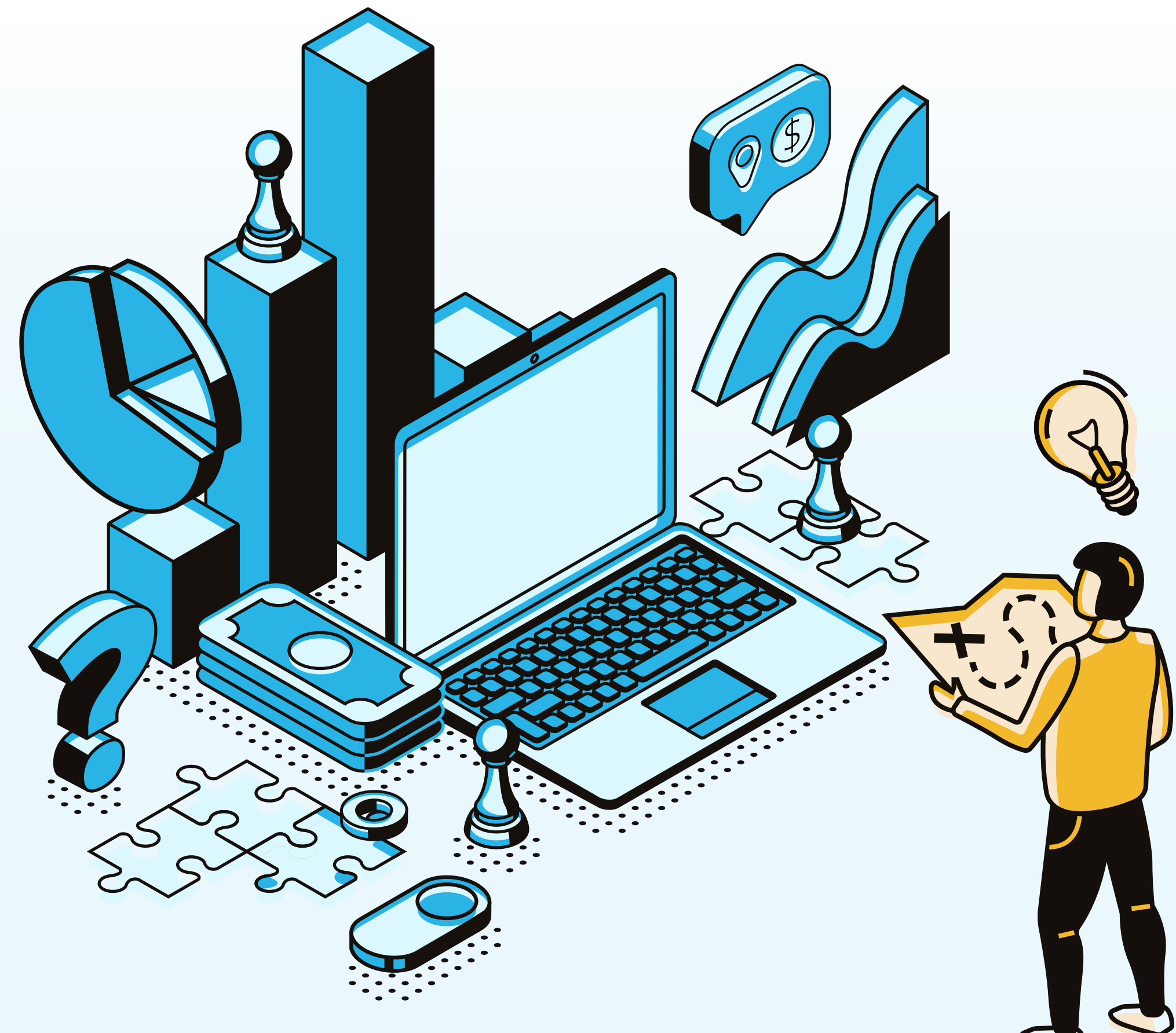
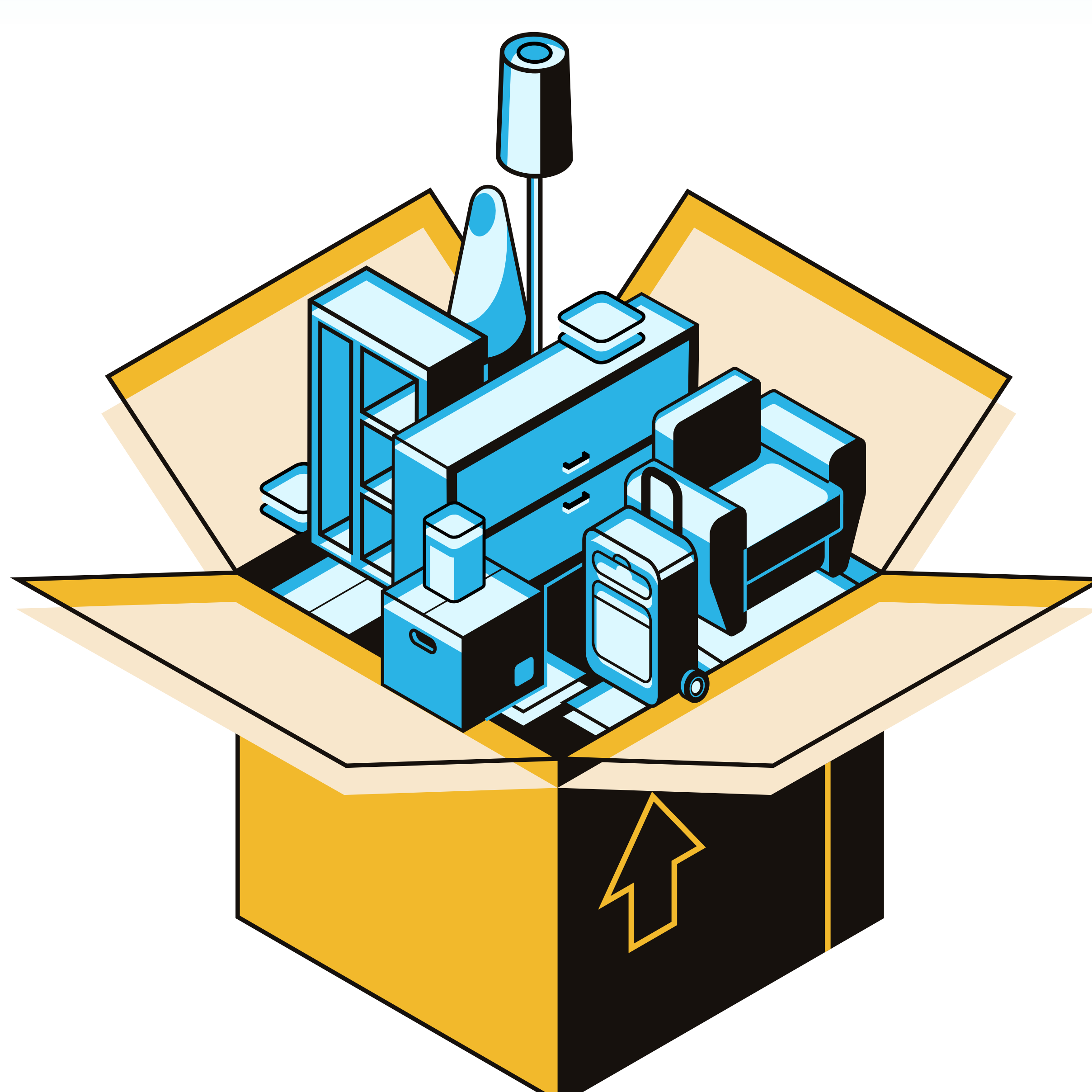
In the destination country, you are responsible for clearing the container through Customs.

-  If possible, do this yourself since you are best able to answer any questions that come up.
-  If your new residence is far from the port, have your shipping partner send the container to a closer Customs office.
-  Have evidence with you that you have lived in the country you are leaving for at least 12 months. Otherwise, you may pay duties on your items.
-  Have evidence that you have owned items in the container (car, appliances, etc.) for at least 6 months.



UNLOAD AT DESTINATION

-  Before the container arrives, check local rules on parking a shipping container on the street.
-  Have your shipping company truck the container to your new home.
-  Unload the container (line up some helpers if you can).



HIRE A KNOWLEDGEABLE PARTNER FOR INTERNATIONAL MOVING

We saved this most important step for last. Work with an international moving specialist that has been coordinating door-to-door moving for years – ideally involving your origin and destination countries. The right partner will save you time, money and aggravation. They handle all the shipping details, while you tend to other important relocation issues.