



# Christmas gift boxes for Families in Romania

*The list below indicates items that are acceptable to the Romanian authorities and which are suitable for inclusion in gift boxes for families.*

*You might like to include a card, letter or photo. Your message will be translated by our Romanian team*

Type	Suggested Items.	Comments
<b>Clothing:</b>	Scarves, gloves, hats, slippers Socks, tights Flannels, hand towels.	<b>Please do not put second-hand clothing in Christmas gift boxes.</b> New items of underwear and babywear are acceptable.
<b>Groceries</b>	Soup, rice, pasta, cake, Biscuits, sweets, chocolate, Coffee, fruit tea, cocoa	Not 'English' tea
<b>Personal items,</b>	Cosmetics, deodorant, shampoo, Soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, Combs, nail scissors, clippers, Tissues, wet-wipes, First aid items.	
<b>Sewing items:</b>	Cotton, pins, needles Wool, knitting needles	
<b>Toys</b>	Small cuddly toys (new), Dolls, doll's clothes, Picture books, dominoes, Toy cars, boats, planes.	<b>No second-hand toys for children under age 3 years.</b> Jigsaw puzzles for children are welcome - larger ones should not be included.
<b>Stationery:</b>	Notebooks, paper, pens, pencils, Colouring books, crayons, Pictorial calendars.	Books and games which require much knowledge of English language are not suitable.
<b>Household Goods:</b>	Christmas decorations, Cutlery, cooking utensils, Can opener, potato peeler, Matches, candles, Picture frames.	
<b>NO!</b>	Fresh meat, fish or dairy products Prescription medicines or drugs Alcohol or tobacco Money Clothes (other than those above) Out of date items.	Please do not include these items. The Romanian authorities can reject the whole consignment if unacceptable items are found.

*For families, it is better to have a variety of smaller things rather than fewer large items.*

*We would not expect second-hand items to be included in Gift Boxes. However, items which are in a clean and serviceable condition can be accepted separately for our normal distribution of aid.*

**"Joy in a Box" from The Romanian Aid Foundation**

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