



IMPORTING HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- ✓ Packing list in French
- ✓ Copy of valid passport
- ✓ Certificate of Change of Residence/ Moving Certificate
- ✓ Original rated bill of lading (no express release accepted)/AWB
- ✓ Original inventory in French, dated, valued and signed by the shipper
- ✓ Invoices for the electrical and hi-fi appliances and for all items bought less than 6 months before the shipment's arrival
- ✓ Resident or working permit or letter from the employer explaining that the client is starting a new contract
- ✓ Non sale certificate (declaration of honor that the shipper will not sell the household goods)
- ✓ Insurance Certificate

Notes:

- All documents must be express mailed 15 days before shipment's arrival in order for the shipper's employer to apply for the possible duty free exemption certificate
- Used Household Goods are duty free if they have been in the owner's possession for at least 6 months. Items must look "used" and not contain any new wrappings.
- Customs will only allow 1 item of each type per shipper (e.g. 1 freezer, 1 VCR etc.). Duplicate items will be taxed.

- Satellite dishes are considered luxury products and will be taxed.
- Only one month's supply of washing products/detergents are allowed
- Almost all removal shipments are opened and checked by customs

IMPORTING MOTOR VEHICLES:

- All documents must be received by destination agent 1 month before the shipment's arrival.
- Chassis number and weight of the vehicle must be stated on the OBL.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- ✓ Original registration card
- ✓ Original OBL/AWB
- ✓ Non sale certificate (declaration of honor from the shipper that he/she will not sell the vehicle during the coming two years)
- ✓ Certificate of change of residence/transfer letter
- ✓ Copy of Passport
- ✓ Car's Invoice
- ✓ Insurance Certificate

RESTRICTED/PROHIBITED ITEMS:

- Firearms and ammunition
- Illegal drugs
- Alcohol (must be accompanied with statement of "fond de cave", indicating that shipment contains less than 30 bottles)

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The information presented herein is based on customs data available at the time of printing and is frequently subject to change without notice. It is the responsibility of the owner or importer of the household goods to comply with the current customs restrictions, regulations, and duties of the country to which the goods are imported. We strongly advise customers to contact the consulate or embassy of the destination country for the most current information on customs regulations, restrictions and duties for importing household goods, personal effects and vehicles.