



Importing Personal Property Into **IVORY COAST**

IMPORTING HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

ENTRY OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

- Household goods are duty-free if they have been in the possession and use of the shipper for at least 6 months.
- All personal effects (including private, diplomatic and military shipments) will incur customs taxes.

Notes:

- A Certificate for Free Entry must be obtained from the Customs Head Office in order to receive duty-free entry of household goods. Required documents should arrive 15 days prior to the arrival of the ground shipment to obtain this possible duty-free exemption.
- If invoices are not provided for electrical items, then duties/taxes will be charged according to the assessed customs value of the item(s) at the following rates:
 - Television: 53.24%
 - Phone: 35.62%
 - Computer: 57%
 - Refrigerator: 53.62%
 - VCR: 59.62%
 - Fax: 35.62%
- The value of the shipment must be under \$4.00 per pound gross.
- Shipper's presence in the Ivory Coast is required during customs clearance.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- ✓ Residence visa
- ✓ Work permit
- ✓ Packing list

- ✓ Original detailed and valued inventory in French, signed by the shipper.

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- ✓ Letter from employer in the Ivory Coast stating the shipper is beginning a new contract.
- ✓ IDR Number provided by employer in the Ivory Coast.
- ✓ "Attestation reservation de cale"
- ✓ Letter of financial responsibility
- ✓ Copy of passport
- ✓ Original Air Waybill or Bill of Lading (no express release accepted)
- ✓ Certificate of change of residence
- ✓ Invoices for appliances and any item less than 6 months old.

RESTRICTED/DUTIBALE ITEMS

- Alcohol and other spirits are prohibited and should be sent separately, unless "Fond de Cave" (less than 30 bottles) is mentioned.
- New (less than 6 months old) electrical or electronic items and furniture will incur import duties and taxes.
- All written materials, films, pictures, etc. are subject to censorship and may be confiscated if found to be objectionable.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Illegal drugs
- Firearms, ammunition, explosives and weapons
- Pornography
- Motor vehicles more than 7 years old.

IMPORTING MOTOR VEHICLES AND PETS

IMPORTATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

- Cars are assessed approximately 53.62% of CIF value for import taxes.
- All vehicles over 7 years old are prohibited importation into the Ivory Coast.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- ✓ New cars require an import license
- ✓ Cars less than one year old require an import declaration.
- ✓ Copy of passport
- ✓ Original registration card
- ✓ Ocean freight invoice or rated bill of lading
- ✓ Invoice for the vehicle
- ✓ Non-sale certificate
- ✓ Certificate of change of residence or transfer letter
- ✓ Copy of the passport

IMPORTATION OF PETS

- Pets may be imported if accompanied by the appropriate documents.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- ✓ Health Certificate issued by a licensed Veterinarian.

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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.