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CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

Documents Required

- Copy of Passport
- Packing list in French
- Certificate of Change of Residence / Moving Certificate
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) - no Express Release accepted / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Original inventory in French date, valued and signed by the shipper
- Invoices for electrical and hi-fi appliances
- Invoices for items bought less than 6 months prior to import
- Residence / Work Permit / Letter of Employment
- Non-sale Certificate (must state that shipper will not sell personal effects)
- Insurance certificate
- Bordereau de Suivi de Cargaison (BSC) / Cargo Tracking Note (CTN)

Specific Information

- Agent must receive documents at least 15 days prior to arrival of the shipment to obtain the Duty-Free Exemption Certificate.
- Used household goods and personal effects are duty free if they have been in the owner's possession and used for at least 6 months (must not be in new packaging).
- Shipments are subject to inspection by Customs.
- A refrigerator, stove, freezer, computer, television and VCR can be imported tax free if only one of each item; additional quantities will be taxed.
- Satellite dishes are considered to be luxury items and are therefore taxed by Customs.

MOTOR VEHICLES

Documents Required

- Copy of Passport
- Original Registration Card
- OBL / AWB
- Non-sale Certificate (must state that the shipper will not sell automobiles within 2 years of importation)
- Certificate of Change of Residence / Letter of Transfer
- Purchase Invoice
- Insurance certificate

Specific Information

- Motor vehicles older than 8 years cannot be imported.
- Agent must receive copies of the required documents to avoid any delays, demurrage and storage charges due to the lengthy Customs procedures for vehicles.
- The following motor vehicles cannot be imported:
 - Personal vehicles more than 5 years old.
 - Vehicles transporting goods not exceeding 3.5 tons or more and is more than 5 years old.
 - Vehicles transporting goods exceeding 3.5 tons or more and is more than 10 years old.
 - Motorcycles and vehicles of a cylinder capacity not exceeding 50 cc.

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PETS

Documents Required

- Vaccination Record
- Veterinary Health Certificate

Specific Information

- The Vaccination Record must show a rabies vaccination no less than 1 month to and no more than 6 months prior to import.

RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- Washing products and detergents enough for one month only are permitted.
- Alcohol ("Fond de Cave") is acceptable and is duty free (10 bottles).
- Firearms and ammunitions (authorization from territorial administration is required)
- The following items may qualify for free import if within the limits indicated:
 - Cigarettes (200), cigars (50), tobacco or tobacco products for tourists and persons over 18 years old only (250 g)
- Meat and poultry products (Phytosanitary Certificate and Dioxin Free Certificate are required)
- Weapons and war ammunition (excludes collector's items)

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Unlawful drugs
- Pornographic materials
- Filament lamps

CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Recommended: Contact the destination agent to ensure all requirements have been met prior to import, especially for differences regarding air / sea shipments.

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Helpful Website(s):

<http://dakar.usembassy.gov>

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1013.html