Importing Personal Property Into Guinea

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Customs Regulations:
All shipments are physically inspected. Documents must be to the Destination Agent 3 weeks prior to the arrival of the shipment in order to apply and be granted duty free clearance of household goods prior to arrival of the shipment. All imports will pay an RTL tax: 2% of declared value. Tax on new goods could be up to 38.5% of CIF value.

Required Documents:
✓ Passport copy including photo page
✓ Bill of Lading/Air Waybill originals (express B/L is NOT acceptable)
✓ Comprehensive inventory list in French, dated and signed by the customer
✓ International Certificate of Vaccination
✓ Work or Residence Permit – Letter from employer attesting to work contract is acceptable
✓ Non-sale certificate from customer – attesting one will not sell his/her personal effects
✓ Invoices for all electrical appliances less than six months old

Diplomat Status:
Foreign diplomats are granted duty free entry. Documents should be with Destination Agent 3 weeks prior to entering Guinea.

Required Documents:
✓ Diplomatic Franchise
✓ Passport copy
✓ Comprehensive inventory list in French

RESTRICTED/DUTIABLE ITEMS

✓ Computers, printers & scanners are subject to duties and taxes of 38.5% of CIF value
✓ New electrical items are subject to duties and taxes
✓ Tobacco products

PROHIBITED ITEMS

✓ Narcotics/illegal drugs of any kind
✓ Firearms, ammunitions, matches & military equipment
✓ Alcohol and distilling equipment
✓ Food & poisonous substances
✓ Printed materials, audio and video materials
✓ Pornography and obscene literature, also religious literature and artifacts
IMPORTATION OF PETS

Required Documents:
- Certificate of Vaccination
- Health Certificate

IMPORTATION OF VEHICLES

Duties and Taxes on vehicles vary up to 65% of CIF value, depending on the age, power etc.

Required Documents:
- Original certificate of Title and Registration
- Import Permit- From the Ministry of External Affairs must be approved before importation
- Change of residence certificate
- Insurance Policy & copy of purchase invoice
- Passport copy

NOTES:

Fumigation of Wood Packing Materials: At this time Guinea does not require the ISPM 15 requirement

Vaccinations: Yellow Fever, Typhoid, Cholera and poliomyelitis vaccinations are strongly recommended.

Other risks: Malaria is a risk year round, resistance to chloroquine has been reported. Hepatitis A, C, and E are widespread. TB, Dengue Fever, Giardiasis, Onchocerciasis and Trypanosomiasis are also present. Epidemics of meningoccal disease may occur particularly in the savannah areas and the dry season. Water should be boiled before consumption. Swimming in fresh water should be avoided. Meats and fish should be well cooked and served hot. Pork, salad and mayonnaise have increased risk of bacteria and should be avoided. Vegetables should be cooked and fruit should be peeled.

Health Insurance is essential. Doctors and hospitals expect immediate cash payment for services Up to date advice should be sought by a physician experienced with these diseases and vaccinations prior to departure.

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