



### **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS**

# **HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

### **Documents Required**

- Copy of Passport
- Packing list
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) / no Express Release / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Original valued inventory in French dated and signed by the shipper
- Invoice for all electrical items less than 6 months old
- Resident Permit / Work Permit / Letter of Employment
- Non-sale Certificate (declaration that shipper will not sell any personal effects)
- Diplomatic Exemption

#### **Specific Information**

- A Certificate for Free Entry must be obtained from the Customs head office.
- Household goods are duty free if in the shipper's possession at least 6 months.
- One electrical appliance per type is authorized duty free (e.g., 1 television, 1 refrigerator, 1 VCR, etc.)
- All shippers must pay a government tax of 2% of the cost, insurance and freight (CIF) value of the shipment.
- New items are subject to import duties of 57%.
- For diplomatic shipments, the agent must have all Customs documents more than 15 days prior to arrival of the shipment to obtain the certificate for free entry.
- Customs clearance will occur once the Diplomatic Exoneration is received.

### **MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **Documents Required**

- Copy Passport
- Original Registration Card
- OBL / AWB
- Insurance Certificate
- · Change of Residence Certificate
- Copy of Purchase Invoice

# **Specific Information**

- Taxes on vehicles depend on age, power etc. (approximately 57% of the cost, insurance and freight of the shipment (CIF)
- The OBL must show chassis number, engine number, cubic capacity, year of manufacture, brand and model.

### **PETS**

### **Documents Required**

- Vaccination Record
- Veterinary Health Certificate

# **NIGER**

### **Specific Information**

 The Veterinary Health Certificate must be issued within 3 days prior to import, stating that the animal (cat or dog) has been clear of rabies or other infectious disease a minimum of 6 weeks prior to import.

## **RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS**

- The following items may qualify for free import for persons over 15 years of age:
  - o Cigarettes (200), cigarillos (100), cigars (25), tobacco (250)
  - Wine and spirits (1 bottle each)
  - Eau de toilette (1/2 L) and perfume (1/4 L)

# **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- Firearms and ammunitions (authorization from the territorial administration)
- Drugs
- Alcohol (only "Fond de Cave") is acceptable and is duty free (max 20 bottles)

## **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://www.embassyofniger.org

http://www.state.gov/p/af/ci/ng