



CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

Documents Required

- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) 2 copies (no Express Release accepted) / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Packing list
- Copy of Passport
- · Copy of Entry Permit in Passport
- Residence Permit copy
- Diplomatic Exemption from the Cape Verdean Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) (expatriates and foreign Diplomats)

Specific Information

- Personal effects may be imported duty free if occurring with 6 months of the shipper's initial arrival in Cape Verde and all documentation is available (expatriates)
- Personal effects may be imported duty free during residence in Cape Verde, provided documentation is available (foreign Diplomats)

MOTOR VEHICLES

Documents Required

- All documentation required for household goods
- OBL / AWB with brand, model, engine and chassis numbers stated
- Original Certificate of Origin (used vehicles)
- Original Purchase Invoice (new vehicles)
- Insurance documentation from origin country

Specific Information

- Foreign Diplomats, technicians and coopérants may import a personally owned vehicle (POV) free of duty.
- Duties and taxes will apply for others, percentage varies according to the vehicle; check with agent for details.

PETS

Documents Required

- Veterinarian Health Certificate
- Rabies Vaccination Certificate (dogs)

Specific Information

• Dogs also require an additional Rabies Vaccination Certificate.

RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

Alcohol and tobacco (permitted in reasonable quantities and for personal use only)

CAPE VERDE

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Narcotics and Drugs
- Weapons and explosives

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.state.gov/p/af/ci/cv

http://praia.usembassy.gov