



**MAURITANIA**



## **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 from Employer
- Non-sale Certificate (must state that client will not sell personal effects in Mauritania)

#### **Specific Information**

- Used household goods may be imported duty free.
- All containers may be checked by Customs (including diplomatic shipments).
- The OBL must be accurate and declare all import items.

### **MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **Documents Required**

- Original Registration Card
- Insurance Certificate
- Change of Residence Certificate
- Copy of Passport
- Copy of Purchase Invoice

#### **Specific Information**

- Vehicles older than 89 years cannot be imported.
- Import taxes depend on the age of the vehicle as outlined:
  - New Vehicle: 78% of the car value
  - Used Vehicle: 50% of the car value
  - Duty free for Diplomat vehicles.
- Chassis number, engine number and weight of the vehicle must be stated on the OBL.
- Documents must be received by agent 1 month prior to importation.

### **PETS**

#### **Documents Required**

- Rabies Vaccination Certificate
- Health Certificate

#### **Specific Information**

- Rabies Vaccination Certificate and Health Certificate are required from the country or origin.
- Dogs and cats of less than 3 months old are exempt from sanitary regulation requirements.

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## RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- Sporting guns may be temporarily admitted (authorization from the Home Ministry prior to arrival is required in addition to gun and import licenses).
- The following items may be imported duty free with the limits indicated:
  - Cigarettes (200), cigars (25), tobacco (1 lb.)
  - Perfume (50 grams), eau-de-cologne (1/4 liter)

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Alcoholic beverages
- Pork and pork products

## CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

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

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<http://www.state.gov/p/af/ci/mr>

<http://mauritania.usembassy.gov>