## Customs guide TUNISIA

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### GOODS  |  DOCUMENTS REQUIRED  |  CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS  |  REMARKS

| Removal goods | - Original Passport.  
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) / Express Release / Air Waybill (AWB).  
- Detailed inventory of all appliances (not valued).  
- Original Residence Permit (duly approved by the Ministry of Interior).  
- Original Work Permit (duly approved by the Ministry of Employment).  
- Original ID card, if applicable (for returning Tunisian citizens, both spouses for married status).  
- Packing list in French (Diplomats).  
- Diplomatic Franchise / Exemption (Diplomats).  
- Authorizations issued by the Ministry of Tourism, allowing the customer to have a secondary residence (secondary residences).  
- Proof of purchase by the appropriate government office (secondary residences).  
- Sales Contract of secondary residence (second residences). | - An advance copy of the OBL must be sent to the destination agent with name matching the passport exactly.  
- For foreign expatriates employed in Tunisia, Tunisian Customs is differentiating those working for the Export/Offshore market and those working for the local market.  
- For the Expats working for the Export/Offshore market goods will be cleared Duty Free on the temporary franchise basis. All items previously imported must be exported upon departure.  
- For the Expats working for the local market Taxes & Duties will apply.  
- All shipments are subject to an inspection at the point of entry (POE), except diplomatic shipments.  
- The shipper must be present for Customs clearance, except Diplomats.  
- For foreign Expats entering Tunisia via employment contract, the original Work Permit is required for Customs clearance. If not available, additional port storage and container demurrage charges will be | - Valuable articles should be declared upon arrival to ensure re-export.  
- Baggage is cleared at the first airport of entry in Tunisia.  
- Exempt: passengers in transit at Tunis (TUN) to a destination outside of Tunisia, holding onward tickets. |
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<td>- If the property owner is unable to provide the final Residence Permit at clearance time then Customs will ask for a deposit reimbursed after production of the final document, Residence Permit / Work Permit (foreigners on employment contracts with duty-free entry).</td>
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<td>- The shipper (Diplomat) should be present in Tunisia at least 2–3 weeks prior to the shipment’s arrival to be accredited by the Tunisian Government and present the Diplomatic Franchise / Exemption, which must be approved by both the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Customs Administration. It takes approximately 1 month to be duly approved by both administrations.</td>
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<td>- If shipper is the owner of his residence then Customs will ask for the Title Ownership, the residence permit and clear goods on a duty free temporary basis</td>
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<td>- If shipper is renting the place then Customs will ask for the residence permit, proof of financial resources through the local Tunisian Bank. Shipment will be subject to Taxes &amp; Duties. It is advisable to avoid exceeding the 1x20’ Container volume.</td>
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<td>- The Packing List should be forwarded to the destination agent in advance with a copy of the OBL in order to avoid delays.</td>
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<td>The same restrictions on spirits and alcohol apply for diplomats. They should check their allowance with their Embassy prior to shipping.</td>
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- **Live animals** – health certificate required along with complete and valid inoculations. Contact nearest embassy to obtain permission.
- **Endangered species and any products or parts thereof as outlined by CITES** maybe be brought in only with CITES permission.
- **Medication.**
- **Local currency** - Tunisian Dinar (TND) – cash import available only with permission. Contact the nearest embassy.
- **Foreign Currency declarable when exceeding the below amounts:**
  - **Foreigners** - the equivalent of TND 5,000.
  - **Residents** - the equivalent of TND 25,000.
- **Hunting weapons** permissible only with authorisation obtainable from Ministry of Interior. Contact nearest embassy for more information.
- **Plants** (a Phytosanitary Certificate is required).
- **Appliances, electronics and computers**
  - 1 of each item is allowed;
  - make, model and serial number must be included on the detailed inventory.
- New items (dutiable).
- **Perfumes** (reasonable quantity).
- **Satellite receivers, faxes, walkie-talkies and telephones.**
  - Subject to possible temporary hold by Customs these items are allowed entry only with authorization from the appropriate authorities.
- **200 cigarettes or 50 cigars or 100 cigarillos or 500g of tobacco.**
  - There are no information on age restrictions.
- **1L of spirits (over 25% volume of alcohol) or 2L of lighter alcohol beverages (up to 25% alcohol by volume).**
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- Narcotics.
- Pornographic documents.
- Counterfeit items.
- Cultural artefacts and other objects of cultural importance.
- Henna.
- Palm tree and any products thereof.
- Explosive material.
- Illegal drugs.
- Weapons, ammunition and explosives.

- Certificate of health from veterinary authorities in the country of departure stating that no contagious diseases of animals occurred at place of origin for 6 weeks before shipment.
- Cats and dogs:
  - in addition to above, a rabies vaccination certificate issued between 1 and 6 months prior to arrival is required.
  - Vaccination record.

- Prohibited:
  - the breeds boerboel, pitbull, rottweiler and tosa; and falcons.

- Animals subject to examination upon arrival.

- Owner’s Passport.
- OBL.
- Original Registration / Insurance certificates (in shipper’s name).

- The shipper must be present for Customs clearance.
- Vehicles are subject to inspection; report must show the engine number and type of vehicle.
- The vehicle details must be stamped on the importer’s Passport.
- Customer may temporarily drive the vehicle for a period of 3 months during clearance.
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