

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Goods	Documents required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
Removal Goods <i>Non Citizens</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passport visaed by the Dominican Consulate at origin.</li> <li>The Dominican Republic resident visa if the shipper chooses not to pay all taxes.</li> <li>Original bill of lading or airway bill.</li> <li>Inventory list in Spanish or English</li> </ul>	<p><b>Dominicans that has lived at least one a year outside of the Dominican Republic and foreigners that have Dominican Republic resident visa may import used household goods duty free</b></p> <p><b>New and used electric appliances are subject to taxes and duties charges</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The shipper presence is not required during the verification of the shipment, unless he asks for it or he has a Dominican residence and wants to be exempted from taxes and duties payment on used household electric appliances and furniture</li> <li>The Dominican Republic resident visa is not necessary for the importation of household goods.</li> <li>All shipments, without exception must pay demurrage charges for the use of the container, if it is not emptied within 14 days of the arrival of the ship. (14 days is the time allowed by the steamship lines for the withdrawal of the shipment), after that time demurrage charges are about US\$20.00 per day.</li> <li>Time of the Dispatch: Two to three weeks after the arrival of the shipment.</li> </ul>
Returning Residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valid passport and proof of residence abroad for two years or more</li> <li>Original bill of lading or airway bill.</li> <li>Inventory list in Spanish or English</li> </ul>		
Diplomats' Removals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Original Ocean Bill of Lading or A.W.B.</li> <li>Detailed inventory in Spanish or English.</li> </ul>	Duty free entry provided Foreign Embassy or Consulate requests appropriate exemption through the Dominican Foreign Relations Office.	
Wedding trousseaux	Same as removal goods plus certificate of marriage.	Duty free entry.	
Inheritance	Same as removal goods.	Duty free entry.	

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New furniture and Household goods	Invoice.	Subject to payment of duties.	
Works of Art and Antiques	No documents required if sent as part of the household goods shipment.	Same as removal goods.	
Precious metal objects (jewellery, coins)	No documents if part of household goods and not for resale.		
Household Appliances	Same as removal goods.	Same as removal goods.	
Electrical Appliances	Same as removal goods.	Same as removal goods. Subject to payment of duties if new.	
Presents, souvenirs	No documents if part of household goods.	Same as removal goods.	
Carpettes	No documents if part of household goods.	Duty free entry	
<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Original Ocean Bill of Lading</b></li> <li>• <b>Original of title of ownership</b></li> <li>• <b>Registration (if applicable)</b></li> </ul>	<b>Diplomats</b> <b>Duty free</b> <b>Non-diplomatic</b> <b>Subject to taxes and duties</b>  Customs will grant 10% reduction in rate for every year auto is in shipper's possession by showing copy of yearly registration in shipper's name.	Please always telex your destination agent before shipping motor vehicles for shipping instructions.  <b>Importation prohibited for vehicles older than the year 1996.</b>
Other vehicles (bicycle, water vehicle)	Same as removal goods.	Bicycles (non-motor) free of duties as part of household effects, and motorboats will pay 20% of purchase price even if they are used.	
Machines, appliances, spare parts	Invoice.	Subject to payment of duties on customs valuation.	
Wine	No documents if part of household goods.	Quantities for personal consumption only.	
Alcohol	Same as wine.	Quantities for personal consumption only.	
Tins and food	Same as above.	Same as above.	
Firearms, ammunitions, dangerous goods	Dominican military permit for personal firearms obtained in advance by the shipper after his own arrival (one per family).	Customs will seize shipment if any found in household goods shipment, and shipper could be sent to jail.	
Medicines, narcotics and drugs	Doctor's prescription.	Duty free entry if prescribed by doctor. Otherwise totally forbidden and if found shipper could be deported from the country after trial.	

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Plants	Phytosanitary Certificate at Origin. Dominican Agriculture permit obtained after shipper's arrival.	Should not be sent in household goods shipment as customs will confiscate and destroy.	
<b>Pets</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vaccination certificate</b></li> <li>• <b>A health certificate</b></li> </ul> <p>— -</p>	Duty free entry.	<b>Birds are kept in quarantine for at least ten days.</b>
Other animals	Veterinary certificate at origin mentioning free of disease.	<b>Kind of animal must be advised in order to seek for the Department of Agriculture and Nation Zoo authorization.</b>	
<b>Prohibited Articles</b>		Pornographic articles: <b>Drugs, firearms, ammunition, explosives, pornographic or subversive material.</b>	
<b>Fumigation of Imported and Exported Wooden Crates</b>		<p>The government has adopted the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures - NIMF N° 15, with the purpose of almost eliminating in its totality the risk of entrance of most of pests that are in quarantine and considerably reducing the risk of other pests.</p> <p>The Phytosanitary measure approved for the treatment of wood packing should be treated as follows: a) Heat Treatment (HT) to a minimum wood core temperature of 56°C for a minimum of 30 minutes or</p>	<p>The treatments established in the present regulation that have the intention to reduce the introduction and/or dissemination of quarantine plagues associated to the wood packing.</p> <p>This regulation DOES NOT apply to the wood packing materials manufactured of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Raw wood of 6mm thickness or less.</li> <li>b) Processed wood produced by glue, heat and pressure, or a combination thereof.</li> <li>c) Plywood sheets &amp; agglomerated sawdust sheet.</li> <li>d) Orientated wooden fiber sheets.</li> </ul>

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		<p>b) Fumigation with Methyl Bromide (MT). The minimum temperature should not be less than 10°C and the minimum exposure time should be 16 hours.</p> <p>The wood packing material must be marked in a visible location on each article, on at least two opposite sides of the article, with a legible and permanent mark. The mark can be painted with permanent black painting.</p> <p>The colours red and orange do not have to be used as colour of the mark. Labels or adhesive are not allowed.</p> <p>The approved format for the mark is as follows, where XX would be replaced by the country code, 000 by the producer number, YY by the treatment type (HT or MB) and AAA by the inspection agency logo.</p> 	