

# Cape Verde Country Guide

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### Country Guide: Cape Verde

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## Used Household Goods and Personal Effects

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### 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
- Copy of residence permit
- 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 within 6 months of the owner of the goods' initial arrival in Cape Verde and all documentation is available (returning citizens)
- Personal effects may be imported duty free during residence in Cape Verde, provided documentation is available (foreign diplomats)

## Motor Vehicles

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## 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) duty free.
- Duties and taxes will apply for others, percentage varies according to the vehicle; check with agent for details.

## Pets

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### Documents Required

- Veterinarian health certificate
- Rabies vaccination certificate (dogs)

### Specific Information

Dogs also require an additional rabies vaccination certificate.

## Restricted/Dutiable Items

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

## Prohibited Items

- Narcotics and drugs
  - Weapons and explosives
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## Consignment Instructions

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

## Cultural and Other Information

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CIA World Factbook

Wikipedia Entry for Cape Verde

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