French Guiana Country Guide

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Used Household Goods and Personal Effects

Documents Required

- Packing list
- Copy of valid passport
- Original bill of lading or express release / AWB
- Original inventory in French, dated, valued, and signed by the owner of the goods
- Certificate of change of residence or certificate of transfer
- Proof of residence in French Guiana (electricity bill, signed lease, etc.) less than
 3 month old Non-sale certificate
- Certificate of property

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Specific Information

Without any certificate of change of residence or certificate of transfer, the owner of the goods will have to pay the Octroi de Mer (between 12 and 22% of the CAF value).

Motor Vehicles

Documents Required

- Original registration card
- Certified statement of the vehicle
- Certificate of insurance
- Non-sale certificate

Specific Information

Without any certificate of change of residence and registration card, the Octroi de Mer (22%) of the CAF value has to be paid before the delivery.

Pets

Documents Required

Certificate of vaccination

Restricted/Dutiable Items

Note: Contact local agent for specific information.

Prohibited Items

• Firearms / ammunitions are submitted to authorization from territorial administration. It is very rare to get it. • Unlawful drugs

Consignment Instructions

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

CIA World Factbook Wikipedia Entry for French Guiana

Special Notes: Because French Guiana is politically part of France, the CIA lists its information as part of that country's Factbook page.