

# **Mozambique Country Guide**

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**Used Household Goods and Personal Effects**

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## **Documents Required**

- Original passport with visa
- Packing list
- Original bill of lading (OBL) - no express release or telex release accepted / air waybill (AWB)
- Original valued inventory in Portuguese, dated, and signed by the owner of the goods
- Invoice for all electrical items less than 6 months old
- Resident permit / work permit
- Letter of employment
- Copy of diplomat card
- Copy of NUIT certificate (tax identification number)

## **Specific Information**

- Household goods are duty free if in the owner`s possession for at least 6 months prior to import; otherwise, duties will be levied.
- Agents must have all Customs documents at least 15 days prior to the arrival of the shipment to obtain the documents for free entry from the Ministry (Diplomats).
- Personal effects must arrive in Mozambique, maximum 6 months after the shipper`s first arrival in the country.

## **Motor Vehicles**

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### **Documents Required**

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- Original passport
- Original registration card
- Original purchase invoice
- OBL / no express or telex release (2 copies)
- Copy of diplomat card
- Copy of NUIT certificate (tax identification number)
- Duty exemption certificate

## Specific Information

- Vehicle should be at least 12 months in owner's possession to obtain duty free importation.
- To obtain duty free importation, the duty exemption certificate must be obtained at least one week prior to arrival.
- Only diplomats and returning nationals are allowed to import 1 used vehicle duty free but they need to obtain exemption from Customs prior to arrival of shipment.
- Taxes range from 5% to 110% depending on age, size, power, etc. The OBL
- must show chassis number, engine number, cubic capacity, year of manufacture, brand and model.
- Depending on the HS code, vehicle may be subject to pre-shipment inspection.

## Pets

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### Documents Required

- Vaccination record
- Mozambique veterinary certificate (if traveling from the U.S. or Canada)
- Import permit

### Specific Information

- Mozambique veterinary certificate must be complete within 10 days of import.
- Animals must be vaccinated for rabies and other diseases at least 30 days but not more than 1 year prior to import.
- All documentation must reflect owner's name.
- Healthy pets are not quarantined if meeting import requirements.
- Microchips are highly recommended.

### Restricted/Dutiable Items

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- Alcohol and other spirits should not be sent in the household goods shipment but hand carried; spirits (1L) and wine (2.25 L)
- Arms and ammunitions (subject to authorization from the territorial administration)
- The following items may qualify for free import within the limits indicated:
  - Cigarettes (400) and tobacco (250 g)
  - Perfume (50 ml)
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Persons must be 18 years and older to carry hand carry alcohol or tobacco.

## **Prohibited Items**

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- Drugs and narcotics
- Pornography, defamatory and obscene publications

## **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 Mozambique