



Customs Guide **BURUNDI**

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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Used HHG and PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PL ▪ Valued inventory ▪ Passport copy ▪ TIN ▪ Work permit ▪ BL/AWB ▪ Exemption 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Goods should arrive in Burundi 4 months after shipping date. ▪ Diplomatic missions request their waivers direct from customs. ▪ Takes three days for diplomatic missions to secure waivers. ▪ Customs clearance takes 3 working days. ▪ Goods should be used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shipper should avoid loading big quantities of liquor. ▪ TIN: Tax Identification Number.
Pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Passport copy of receiver ▪ Vet certificate ▪ Import licence ▪ AWB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pet should be pre-cleared to avoid over stays at airport. ▪ Some payments are done express at the airport. ▪ Import licence is only valid for 30 days once issued. ▪ No inspection. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Origin agent must ensure booking pets on daytime arrivals.
Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invoice ▪ Previous sales agreement if any ▪ BL/AWB ▪ Original previous log books/registration certificate. ▪ Waiver ▪ TIN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Old vehicles should not exceed 11 years. ▪ Takes 4 days clearance if shipped in same container with PE. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ TIN: Tax Identification Number.
Food, nuts, drinks shipped as PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invoice ▪ Exemption ▪ AWB/BL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Goods should be of minimal quantity. ▪ Should be within the consumable period. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ TIN: Tax Identification Number. ▪ COO: Certificate of Origin.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ COO ▪ TIN ▪ Receiver's passport 		
Goods in shipping containers		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All goods arriving in Burundi should have ECTN (Electronic Cargo Tracking Note) otherwise the shipper may be penalised. ▪ Penalties range between \$5000-\$10000. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ECTN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If you are shipping to, or through one of the countries listed below then you will need special waiver certificate documentation in order to clear customs. ▪ ECTN waiver requirements: Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, DR. Congo, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Tanzania, Togo. ▪ These waiver certificates (also known as ECTN – Electronic Cargo Tracking Note) are required by certain African countries to effectively control, supervise and manage import / export traffic to the country. Waiver documents have full details of the exporter/ importer, shipping method (containerized, groupage etc), type and value of goods being transported, name of vessel and cost of freight for the shipment. These waivers are dealt with by the importer or exporter and must be filed before the cargo arrives at its port of discharge.
Hard cash		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Travellers are allowed to travel with \$10000 or less. 	
Prohibited goods		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Asbestos ▪ Fire arms, weapons ▪ Dangerous goods 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Narcotics ▪ Ivory ▪ Pornography 	
Goods imported by parcel/courier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NIL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not inspected 	



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