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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Personal effects	 Clear and legible copy of passport Certificate of change of residence or certificate of move issued by the municipality at origin Certificate of work transfer Detailed, valued inventory dated and signed by the client, in French Non-sale certificate (mentioning that goods/items were purchased more than 6 months before the client's arrival in the destination country and that the client does not intend to resell them). Copy of the export declaration 		
Motor vehicles	 Original car registration documents Vehicle purchase invoice if the vehicle is new Invoice or value certificate for motorbikes and scooters Certificate of change of residence or certificate of move issued by the municipality at origin Certificate of work transfer. Photo of the dashboard with the mileage Photos of the vehicle (front and rear) Copy of the export declaration 	 It is strongly advised to ship vehicles in containers to avoid damage or looting during transit. Should the original car registration documents not be available, a declaration of loss must be obtained at the cost of EUR 50. 	

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Categories eligible for the exemption scheme:		 Embassies, consulates, Heads of Diplomatic Missions, and Consuls General benefit from an almost complete exemption (0,07% tax on the CIF price for personal effects and vehicles). Senior diplomatic and consular officials benefit from a partial exemption (0,07% tax on the CIF value of personal effects and 6,33% on the CIF value of the vehicle). Administrative and technical staff of embassies and consulates benefit from a partial exemption: 2,96% tax on the CIF value for personal effects and 9,22% on the CIF value of the vehicle). 	 For vehicles, the minimum fixed tax applies: 1% of the value of the vehicle as estimated by customs. ONLY the diplomats of the US embassy are exempt from this minimum tax. German and French embassies are subject to it. Clients benefiting from privileged agreements with partial exemption: certain NGOs as well as any organisation for which an exemption agreement has been signed with the Togolese State (upon presentation of proof). The % of taxation varies according to the agreement.
Taxable Clients: Corporations, individuals and Togolese citizens: Personal effects		 Personal effects of corporate clients, individuals and returning Togolese citizens will be taxed at 20% of the CIF value, provided they have a Change of Residence Certificate AND a Transfer Certificate for foreigners. Returning Togolese citizens will only need to present the Change of Residence Certificate. If these documents are not provided, the personal effects will be considered as merchandise and taxed at 48% (all taxes included) 	
Taxable Clients: Corporations, individuals and Togolese citizens: Vehicles	•	 Vehicles are taxed at 54% of the value stipulated by customs on presentation of the original registration papers. The taxation of motorbikes, two-wheelers and quads will be studied on a case-by-case basis by customs on presentation of transport documents. Motorbikes are taxed at 54% of the value shown on the invoice or the value certificate. 	 A minimum fixed tax will be levied on all second-hand imported vehicles (1% of the value determined by COTEC – an agency approved by Togolese customs). This tax applies to all categories of customers, whether exempted or not. Customs taxes are payable cash or by certified cheque before delivery can take place. All new items will be taxed.

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		 2 or 4 wheeled vehicles: Less than 13 horsepower: 43% of the value estimated by customs. More than 13 horsepower: 54% of the value estimated by customs. 	The ECTN can be issued at origin. In the absence of a CGS issued at origin, contact your moving agent. The ECTN can be issued at origin. In the absence of a CGS issued at origin, contact your moving agent.
Weapons			Importation of any weapon is strictly forbidden.

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