

ANGOLA

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Household Goods/PE Angolan Returning Citizen or Diplomat

Documents Required

- Copy of valid passport
- Copy of visa from origin country
- Proof of entry into Angola (emigration stamp)
- Copy of Angolan Tax Card
- When applicable, original declaration (in Portuguese) from employer in Angola stating position of client and length of the overseas assignment. OR
- If the client is a returning Angolan Diplomat, an original declaration from Diplomatic Mission at origin confirming length of assignment abroad and value of goods being shipped to Angola.
- Detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD.
- 3 original bills of Lading or AWB, original CNCA and Packing List.

Customs Prescriptions

- IMPORTANT: For sea and air shipments, if the total value of the goods showing on the detailed inventory list is greater than or equal to 5,000 USD, an import license will be required by Angolan Customs.

Remarks

- Provided all requested documents have been submitted to your local agent prior to shipment arrival, customs clearance for air shipments should take between 10 and 15 working days. For sea shipments, customs clearance should between 15 and 20 working days.
- Returning Angolan citizens that can prove they have been living abroad for 6 months or more are exempt from duties and taxes on their household goods shipments. The customs Stamp Duty is still levied though (around 3% of the CIF value of shipment) and VAT on importation (14% of CIF value). In the case of a false declaration or should identical items be imported, the client will have to pay a fine and between 50 and 70% of the CIF value, on top of the Stamp Duty amount. Customs inspections are common on sea shipments and systematic on-air shipments.

Household Goods/PE Foreign Diplomats

Documents Required

- Copy of diplomatic passport
- Copy of Angolan Diplomatic ID
- Proof of entry into Angola (emigration stamp)
- Copy of Angolan Tax Card
- Original "Nota Verbal" and Declaration from MIREX (exemption documents), prepared by the host Diplomatic mission in Angola.

- Detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD.

Customs Prescriptions

- IMPORTANT: For sea and air shipments, if the total value of the goods showing on the detailed inventory list is greater than or equal to 5,000 USD, an import license will be required by Angolan Customs.

Remarks

- Provided all requested documents have been submitted to your local agent prior to shipment arrival, customs clearance for air shipments will take between 10 and 15 working days. For sea shipments, customs clearance will take between 15 and 20 working days.
- Diplomatic consignments are exempt from duties and taxes provided the complete set of docs is submitted to customs. On some occasions, customs may require an inspection of a Diplomatic consignment. When this happens, inspection is usually done at the place of delivery of the goods. HHGDS shipments of Diplomats are easier to clear when consigned to the Diplomatic Mission, rather than to the Individual Diplomat.

Household Goods/PE Expatriates

Documents Required

- Copy of valid passport
- Proof of entry into Angola (emigration stamp)
- Copy of Angolan work visa or Ministry's "parecer."
- Copy of Angolan Tax Card. Alternatively, the Angolan Tax Card of the hosting company can work as well.
- Detailed inventory list in Portuguese, valued in USD.

Customs Prescriptions

- IMPORTANT: For sea and air shipments, if the total value of the goods showing on the detailed inventory list is greater than or equal to 5,000 USD, an import license will be required by Angolan Customs.

Remarks

- Provided all requested documents have been submitted timely prior to shipment arrival, customs clearance for air shipments will take between 10 and 15 working days. For sea shipments, customs clearance will take between 20 and 30 working days.
- A customs Stamp Duty is always levied (around 3% of the CIF value of shipment) and VAT on importation (14% of CIF value). In the case of a false declaration or should identical items be imported, the client will have to pay a fine and between 50 and 70% of the CIF value, on top of the Stamp Duty amount. Customs inspections are common on these sea shipments and systematic on air shipments.

Communication Equipment e.g.: telephones (fixed or mobile), fax machines, voice message recorders, walkie-talkies, tablets, antennas, routers, switches, CCTV, servers, internet devices, security systems, etc.

Customs Prescriptions

- Import of communication equipment (new or used) is prohibited unless a license is obtained from the Angolan Ministry of Telecommunications (INACOM).

Remarks

- The client must present valid invoices or certificates for the devices to the Ministry of Telecommunications to obtain an INACOM licence.

- To avoid any delays in Customs and consequent fines, the licence should be obtained and submitted to your local agent prior to the shipment of the goods.
- Additional charges in Angola are unavoidable such as port charges, storage charges, VAT, detention and demurrage, customs, duties, etc.
- Contact your agent in Angola to get advice on carriers that should be avoided.