

MADAGASCAR

This guide is compiled from the FIDI Customs Guide for reference only. Customs regulations change frequently; please consult your Seapoe relocation consultant for the latest requirements before shipping.

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Household Goods

Documents Required

- For private individuals: non worker or expatriate worker:
- Copy of passport certified by the City Hall in Madagascar
- Copy of visa certified by the City Hall in Madagascar
- Certificate of change of residence issued by the Embassy/Consulate
- Certificate of Removal from Consulate issued by the Embassy/Consulate
- Certificate of removal, issued by the Fokontany Office (IMPORTANT)
- Certificate of End of Mission in Madagascar, specifying the date of the beginning and the end of the mission within the organization
- Valued inventory, detailed, signed and without zero value
- List of wooden objects and furniture signed and stamped by the Fokontany Office
- List of objects and furniture made of STONE, signed and stamped by the Fokontany Office
- A copy of the airplane ticket of your final departure from Madagascar (only if you have stones among your effects)
- Photo (of good quality and not blurry) of all the listed objects (wood and/or stones) that you intend to export (IMPORTANT) - you can send these to your removal agent by email.
- For customers going to France (or French countries, e.g. La Reunion) one more document:
- Proof of residence, either :
 - Copy of the last rent receipt or lease or rental certificate from a real estate agency less than 3 months old at the arrival of the effects in France.
 - Telephone or internet bill or gas, water or electricity bill less than 3 months old when the items arrive in France.
- Certificate of accommodation accompanied by proof of residence of the person providing accommodation for less than 3 months on arrival of the items in France, as well as the identity document of the person.
- For workers in international agencies (governmental or not), Embassies, Consulates / with DIPLOMATIC status or not:
 - Copy of passport, certified by the Embassy / Organization
 - Copy of VISA (Diplomatic if applicable), certified by the Embassy / Agency
 - Certificate of change of residence issued by the Embassy / Consulate / Organization
 - Certificate of Removal from Consulate (if applicable) issued by the Embassy/Consulate
 - Certificate of End of Mission in Madagascar, specifying the date of the beginning and the end of the mission within the organization
- Valued Inventory valued, detailed, signed and without zero value
- List of objects and furniture made of wood, signed and stamped by the Embassy / Organization
- List of objects and furniture made of stone, signed and stamped by the Embassy / Organization
- A copy of the airplane ticket of your final departure from Madagascar (only if you have stones among your effects,)

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Customs Prescriptions

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Remarks

- If the customer was not on assignment (not a worker), he simply needs to write a letter explaining the reason for his stay in Madagascar and the reason for his departure.
- Even if wooden and stone objects do not come from Madagascar, they must be declared (even if they are only small decorations, they must be declared).
- Given the complexity of export permits for stone objects in Madagascar, if the stones are small in quantity, it is ideal if the owner of the parcel takes it with him in his hand luggage.
- To save time, original documents must be sent to the removal agent 15 days before the packing date, as export permits take around 15 days to be validated after receipt of the complete original documents.
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Prohibited

Customs Prescriptions

- Firearms
- Drugs and narcotics
- Counterfeit
- Cigarettes
- Alcohols
- Ivory
- Austrian eggs
- Turtle shells
- Corals
- Shells
- Animal skins
- Ebony wood
- Rosewood
- Fossils
- Raw or unworked stones
- Gas stoves
- Diving bottles

Remarks

- Fines may be levied if customers take items that are prohibited.

Vehicle

Documents Required

- STANDARD REGISTRATION / BLACK PLATE
- Original registration card
- Non-pledge certificate issued by the registration center of Antananarivo in Ambohidahy.
- Declaration of value of the vehicle
- DIPLOMATIC REGISTRATION /GREEN PLATE
- The original of the cancelled vehicle registration document
- The report of the cancellation of the vehicle registration
- DAU import
- Certificate of Import Destination, if applicable
- Declaration of value of the vehicle
- Copy of IM5 import declaration
- MIDAC Export

Remarks

- Obtaining the certificate of non-pledge takes at least two weeks – it is recommended to prepare this document in advance.