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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
Household Goods/PE	▪ Used Personal Effects ▪ Copy of passport ▪ Detailed inventory, dated and signed, valued in EUR/USD ▪ New Personal Effects ▪ Copy of passport ▪ Detailed inventory, dated and signed, valued in EUR/USD ▪ Original invoices less than six months old showing the destination address ▪ New personal effects form ▪ Tax-refund request form dated and signed ▪ Private Individuals ▪ In addition to the documents requested above, private individuals will have to submit: ▪ Certificate of change of residence ▪ Certification concerning prohibited and dangerous objects or items ▪ Military Personnel ▪ In addition to the documents requested above, members will be required to submit: ▪ Transfer letter	▪ Important: local customs are inspecting imported shipments. ▪ The inventory must show a destination address. ▪ For new personal effects, the original invoice cannot be handwritten as it will be rejected by customs.	▪ Imported goods are liable for taxes and surcharges (23%, calculated on value of goods + 10% VAT). These taxes may apply on new or used goods depending on, among other things, the type of product and if the goods are used in local business. For example, diapers or laundry powder will be taxed. ▪ Customs officials make the final decision on the application of duties and taxes. This decision will also depend on the client's ability to provide the original purchase invoices. Contact your local agent for more details on this matter. ▪ Customs do not accept export sales slips, sales receipts, and purchase orders. ▪ If your move contains both used and new personal effects, submit one inventory for the used items, and one inventory for the new items.

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	▪ Certification concerning prohibited and dangerous items.		
Motor Vehicles	▪ Used Vehicles ▪ Detailed inventory dated and signed, valued in EUR/USD ▪ Original car registration ▪ Certificate of non-pledge (valid for one month) ▪ Original purchase invoice ▪ Certificate of registration or deed of sale signed by the original owner (original) ▪ Certified deed of act of transfer legalised (original) ▪ Technical inspection authorisation (original) ▪ Interpol control document (original) ▪ Legalised copy of export declaration from country of origin ▪ Identity document or passport of the owner ▪ New vehicle with WW plates ▪ Detailed inventory dated and signed, valued in EUR/USD ▪ Original car registration (pay attention to the date of validation) ▪ Certificate of non-pledge (valid for one month) ▪ Identity document or passport of the owner ▪ New vehicle in duty-free without registration plate ▪ Original invoice with destination address ▪ Ex 1 n°3 ▪ Diplomatic passport for the exemption of	▪ Vehicles (new or used) are taxed in Djibouti. The amount of tax charged will be provided upon presentation of a copy of the registration card and the Argus value. ▪ Used vehicles intended for the transport of persons and goods must be less than eight years old for: ▪ Tourist vehicles ▪ Taxis ▪ Bus of 26-36 seats ▪ Bus up to 36 seats ▪ Trucks of 3.5T up to over 5T ▪ These provisions don't apply to the following vehicles: ▪ Foreign diplomats resident in the Republic of Djibouti ▪ Djiboutian diplomats and Djiboutian international civil servants in the context of their move at the end of their mission abroad ▪ All Djiboutians residing abroad for professional reasons returning to Djibouti.	▪ The client must provide their local mover with the engine and chassis numbers of any vehicle imported into Djibouti. The chassis number can be found on the vehicle registration certificate. ▪ The technical inspection authorisation (used vehicles) must be issued by a structure approved by the country of origin of the vehicle. ▪ Right-hand-drive vehicles are prohibited.

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Prohibited items		▪ Weapons ▪ Drugs and narcotics ▪ Counterfeits ▪ Drones ▪ Cigarettes ▪ Alcohol (excluding appropriate declarations) ▪ Ivory ▪ Ostrich eggs ▪ Turtle shell ▪ Coral ▪ Shells ▪ Stuffed animals ▪ Animal skins Or any other species taken up by the Washington Convention.	▪ Airsoft and paintball: these items have recently been considered as dangerous and are now prohibited. ▪ Household products (washing powder, diapers, soap, etc.) are not considered as used HHGs. Their import can lead to customs hold and extra charges. ▪ Alcohol import is not prohibited. It is, however, discouraged through prohibitive taxes: 33%-147% (depending on alcohol strength) + 10% VAT. ▪ For wine and all other alcohol, you must submit a detailed and separate inventory from personal effects.



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