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GOODS	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	CUSTOMS PRESCRIPTIONS	REMARKS
<p><b>DOCUMENTS REQUIRED</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original passport showing entry stamp in Madagascar and visa long stay 1 year + old passport (in case the new one has been delivered less than one year at arrival).</li> <li>▪ Passport with a residence visa or resident card in the country of departure (valid for more than one year upon arrival).</li> <li>▪ Proof of break of stay in case of passage on Madagascar during the last twelve months before final arrival or trip out of Madagascar after final arrival.</li> <li>▪ Original shipper's flight ticket and boarding pass related the arrival.</li> <li>▪ 2 certified copies of the passport by the Malagasy town hall in Madagascar.</li> <li>▪ Original of Certificate of change of residence from Madagascar embassy at origin: In case there is no Madagascar representation at origin country, the document must be requested at the Ministry of Foreign in Antananarivo.</li> <li>▪ Original of Certificate of change of residence from city town hall at origin country.</li> <li>▪ Original of valued Inventory in French or English without zero value, signed and dated by shipper and stamped by Madagascar embassy at origin. In case there is no Madagascar representation at origin country, the document must be stamped at</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The shipper must be present in Madagascar because the original passport is needed.</li> <li>▪ Vehicle of non-diplomatic shipment is inspected by SGS for obtaining the value for clearance customs (duration about 10 days).</li> <li>▪ Non-diplomatic shippers must make a tax exemption application to customs authorities and must be paid duty to GASYNET at arrival. Tax exemption is issued to each person for one time during his life and not more than 6 months after obtaining the visa long stay.</li> <li>▪ Duty on new items and tolls: 65%.</li> <li>▪ All import shipments attract a GASYNET fee of 0.3% of CIF value (customs processing fee) + 20% VAT on these 0.3%.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All shipments are inspected.</li> <li>▪ BSC: cargo tracking note (you can contact the person in charge of issuing it at <a href="mailto:MG.BSC@sgs.com">MG.BSC@sgs.com</a> – web site: <a href="http://www.bscmg.sgs.com">http://www.bscmg.sgs.com</a> or ask your agent to handle this for you.</li> </ul>

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	<p>the Ministry of Foreign in Antananarivo.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original list of books, CD and DVD with tittle, author, quantity.</li> <li>▪ Original of Residence certificate in Madagascar.</li> <li>▪ Original engagement letter dully filled and certified by the Malagasy City town hall.</li> <li>▪ Original handwritten letter of exemption request to be addressed to "The Head of Legislation and Regulation Services" (Lettre de demande de franchise manuscrite à adresser à « Mme Le Chef de Services de la législation et de la Règlementation).</li> <li>▪ Original packing list</li> <li>▪ Bill of lading (Waybill or express release is better) / air waybill (AWB).</li> <li>▪ Copy of customs export declaration.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Complimentary documents required: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For foreign worker: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ One year (12 months) residence visa.</li> <li>▪ Work permit from Labor Ministry in Madagascar.</li> <li>▪ Original of Employment Attestation at Madagascar.</li> <li>▪ For Malagasy citizen returns.</li> <li>▪ 2 certified copies of the Malagasy National Identity Card.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. For foreign pensioner: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Original of attestation Malagasy bank of the existence of an account that receives currencies.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. For investor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certified Copies of the Statutes of the</li> </ul> </li> </ol> </li> </ul>		

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	<p>company</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certificate of non-registration to the Labour Ministry in Madagascar (at EDBM).</li> <li>▪ Attestation of non-Employment by the EDBM (Economic Development Board of Madagascar) in Madagascar.</li> </ul> <p>4. For cooperating French Professor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Copy of AEFÉ contract.</li> <li>▪ Certificate of non-registration to the Labour Ministry in Madagascar (at EDBM).</li> </ul> <p>5. For diplomats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Attestation of Destination: tax exemption submitted by the organism or embassy to the customs authorities.</li> </ul>		
<b>DUTIABLE/RESTRICTED ITEMS</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Food and consumable items: all canned meat products (including pork, sheep, fish, chicken, etc.) must have a Certificate of Health.</li> <li>▪ Electrical items and furniture must be more than six months old; otherwise, they are subject to Customs duties and taxes.</li> <li>▪ Invoices required.</li> <li>▪ Home computers, hardware product and professional equipment (as tools, generator) are not accepted as personal effects and are subject to Customs duties and taxes.</li> <li>▪ Books and DVD's (audio and video) require an agreement from the Interior Ministry.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All kind of tools and new furniture are dutiable.</li> <li>▪ Bicycle, TV, computer, fridge, freezer, cooker are limited 2 per family. 3rd piece will be dutiable.</li> <li>▪ Printer, copier, scanner and video projector are limited only 1 per family. 2nd piece will be dutiable.</li> <li>▪ Items considered as professional will be dutiable.</li> </ul>

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<b>PROHIBITED ITEMS</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Weapons, ammunition, military equipment.</li> <li>▪ Drugs and narcotics.</li> <li>▪ Alcohol and other spirits.</li> <li>▪ Animal skins, stuffed animals, birds or fish.</li> <li>▪ CBs and walkie-talkies (including children's toys).</li> </ul>	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLES</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Import duty &amp; tax is exempt if the registration papers have been in the name of the qualifying shipper for more than one year.</li> <li>▪ 65% of the CIF value applies on the shipment if the registration papers have been in the name of the shipper for less than one year.</li> <li>▪ 65% of the CIF value applies on the shipment if the visa long stay is less than 12 months.</li> <li>▪ 65% of the CIF value applies on the shipment if one of the document is missing.</li> <li>▪ Your local agent has 6 month to make the exemption procedure from getting:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the long term visa for foreigners</li> <li>2. the Certificate of change of residence from the Madagascar Embassy at departure.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
<b>PETS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Certificate of good health dated within three days of arrival.</li> <li>▪ Rabies vaccination (within 30-180 days prior to arrival).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shipping as unaccompanied baggage is not recommended.</li> </ul>	



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