

# Dominican Republic

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**Ports:** Santo Domingo  
**Prohibited:** Drugs, Firearms, Pornographic Material  
**Cont:** None

## Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

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**Required Documents:** Prohibited  
**Customs Regulations:**  
**Clearance:**  
**Remarks:** Only allowed in small quantities.

## Diplomatic Removals

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**Required Documents:**  
**Customs Regulations:** Customs regulations do not apply to diplomatic personnel of foreign embassies and consulates, or to members of international organizations such as the United Nations, World Bank, or other International Government Agencies.  
**Clearance:** 1 day after exoneration documents are ready. Customer presence required for clearance? No  
**Remarks:** Diplomatic personnel must apply for exoneration of their household goods to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Santo Domingo.

## Firearms/weapons

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**Required Documents:** STRICTLY PROHIBITED.  
**Customs Regulations:**  
**Clearance:**  
**Remarks:**

## Household Goods and Personal Effects

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**Required Documents:** (1) Valid Passport (2) OBL/AWB (3) Detailed inventory in English or Spanish (4) A Dominican Consular Invoice  
**Customs Regulations:** Used household goods are duty free if they have been in owner's possession and utilization for at least one full year.  
**Clearance:** 2 to 3 days. Customer presence required for clearance? Yes  
**Remarks:** Foreigners must possess a resident visa stamped on their passport at the nearest Dominican Consulate. They must obtain a residence permit when they arrive in the country before clearance can be performed. Dominican citizens only need to present their passport but they must have been out of the country for at least one year.

## New Furniture

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**Required Documents:** (1) Valid Passport (2) OBL/AWB (3) Detailed inventory (4) Complete sales invoices clearly identifying items and identifying sale price and date and year of purchase

**Customs Regulations:** All new items will pay duties

**Clearance:** 2 to 3 work days. Customer presence required for clearance? Yes

**Remarks:** Subject to 100% tax

## Pets and Animals

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**Required Documents:** (1) Veterinary certificate issued within 90 days (2) OBL/AWB

**Customs Regulations:** Documents must be attached to AWB

**Clearance:** 1 day. Customer presence required for clearance? No

**Remarks:** Please contact us by telex before shipping arrangements

## Vehicles

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**Required Documents:** (1) Visaed Passport (2) OBL/AWB (3) Dominican Consular invoice (4) Title (5) Registration

**Customs Regulations:** (1) Exempted personnel must obtain their duty free entry through their embassy or institution in the Dominican Republic (2) Commercial vehicles must be in shipper's possession for at least one year with registration in his name (3) Vehicles must not be luxuries with motor not larger than 2000 cc and to a maximum of 6 cylinders.

**Clearance:** 2 to 3 weeks. Customer presence required for clearance? Yes

**Remarks:** Most Dominican Consulates will require the OBL/AWB and a commercial invoice to issue the invoice. Since household goods and used cars will not have an invoice, you can make a commercial invoice in your own stationary showing marks, description, weight and value of goods of vehicle.

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