Trinidad and Tobago Country Guide



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Country Guide: Trinidad and Tobago

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Used Household Goods and Personal Effects

Documents Required

- Copy of passport
- Copy of bill of lading (OBL) / air waybill (AWB)
- · Copy of work permit, if applicable
- Detailed inventory
- Affidavit of returning resident (returning residents)

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs forms (diplomats)
- Diplomatic franchise (diplomats)
- Importer Registration (N number)
- Valued listing of new items (less than 1 year old)

Specific Information

An import license is required for appliances that contain refrigerant gas (e.g., refrigerator, etc.).

Motor Vehicles

Documents Required

- Certified copy of title / registration
- Import license
- Copy of OBL

Specific Information

The owner of the goods must apply for the import license prior to clearance of the vehicle.

Pets

Documents Required

- Vaccination record
- Veterinary health certificate
- Import permit

Specific Information

- The veterinary health certificate must be obtained from a veterinarian at origin.
- The import permit must be obtained upon entry.

Restricted/Dutiable Items

- Weapons, including firearms, swords, etc. (require permission from the Police Commissioner of Trinidad and Tobago)
- New items less than 12 months old
- Alcohol (1 q.)
- Cigarettes persons over 17 years or older (200), cigars (50), loose tobacco (1/2 lb.)
- Building materials (e.g., tiles)

Prohibited Items

- Narcotics
- Communications equipment such as CB radios, walkie-talkies, etc.

Consignment Instructions

Recommended: Contact the destination agent to ensure all requirements have been met prior to import, especially for differences regarding air / sea shipments.

Cultural and Other Information

<u>CIA World Factbook</u> <u>Wikipedia Entry for Trinidad and Tobago</u>