



FRENCH CUSTOMS

TROUBLE-FREE TRAVEL



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Our advice
for peace of mind

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PEACE OF MIND WHEN PASSING THROUGH CUSTOMS

● IF YOU ARE CARRYING €10,000 OR MORE

When leaving and returning to France, you must declare cash or cash equivalents of €10,000 or more to Customs

€10,000



● BANNED GOODS

Narcotics, counterfeits, endangered species of wild fauna and flora



RECOGNISING COUNTERFEITS

1. Use official sales outlets
2. Pay attention to the product's overall quality
3. Be wary of low prices
4. Look at the label and the positioning of logos
5. Check the quality of the packaging

● RESTRICTED GOODS*

Medicinal drugs, foodstuffs (fish, milk, etc.), plants, pets, weapons, cultural goods



* Ask Customs.



RETURNING TO FRANCE

Returning from a **non-EU country** or an overseas *département* or community

● MAXIMUM VALUES ALLOWED



By air



By sea

: €430



By car



By train and other means of transport

: €300



Children under 15

: €150

● MAXIMUM QUANTITIES ALLOWED



or

Cigarettes ► 200

or

Cigarillos ► 100

or

Cigars ► 50

or

Smoking tobacco ► 250g

Alcoholic beverages



1 l if + 22° ABV or 2 l if - 22° ABV
and
► 4 l of wine and ► 16 l of beer

* Travellers under 17 are not entitled to these allowances.



RETURNING TO FRANCE

Returning from
an **EU** Member State

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You are entitled to bring in quantities* for personal consumption, within the following limits, per traveller**:



- Cigarettes ► **800** *(four cartons)*
- and Cigarillos ► **400**
- and Cigars ► **200**
- and Smoking tobacco ► **1 kg**

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- Alcoholic beverages and spirits (whiskey, gin, vodka, etc.) ► **10 l**
 - and Intermediate products (vermouth, port wine, Madeira, etc.) ► **20 l**
 - and Wine ► **90 l**
(of which 60 l maximum of sparkling wine)
 - and Beer ► **110 l**

* Carried by you.

** Travellers under 18 are not entitled to these allowances.

BEFORE LEAVING

Get the right information



As part of measures to bolster the security of the European Union and its citizens, French nationals and citizens of the EU, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway and Switzerland who **arrive from or leave for a non-Schengen country** are subject, in the same way as citizens of other countries, to **heightened customs checks when entering and leaving France**.



Useful tip: If you have any questions concerning:

- out-of-date identity documents (national identity card, passport),
- authorisations to leave France (AST) for minor children who live in France and who are travelling abroad alone or without either of their parents,
- visas,

visit the service.public.fr website or that of the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs: diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/conseils-aux-voyageurs/conseils-par-pays-destination/



Apply for a **FREE CIRCULATION CARD***, a passport for your personal belongings, if you are carrying:



etc.

* Issued free of charge by your nearest customs office upon presentation of your belongings together with supporting documents (invoices, warranty certificates, etc.).



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