

# French Polynesia Country Guide - IAM

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## **Find a foreign embassy in French Polynesia**

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### **Used Household Goods and Personal Effects**

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#### **Documents Required**

- Packing List
- Copy of valid passport
- Original bill of lading (OBL) (no express release) / AWB
- Original inventory in French, dated, valued, and signed by the owner of the goods
- Invoices for electrical / hi-fi appliances (must include any items bought less than 6 months prior to the shipment's arrival)
- Resident / working permit / letter of employment
- Non-sale certificate

#### **Specific Information**

- The resident / working permit / letter of employment must explain that the owner of the goods is starting a new contract in French Polynesia.
- Every item that has been owned by the owner of the goods for less than 6 months is subject to tax based on CIF value.
- Telephone, telex, fax, and every kind of transmitter-receiver must have the EEC approval.
  - These must all be submitted to an authorization in order to be used on the territory.
  - The delay to obtain the shipment is about 2 days following the EEC approval.
  - Without an authorization, Customs may destroy or dispose of the equipment.

### **Motor Vehicles**

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#### **Documents Required**

- Original registration card
- Copy of the owner of the goods' driver's license
- Original purchase invoice
- Non-sale certificate
- EUR 1 if vehicle is of EU origins

## Specific Information

Contact destination agent for more details.

## Pets

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- The entry of pets and animals is very regulated.
- Contact destination agent prior to shipping pets / animals to French Polynesia.

## Restricted/Dutiable Items

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- Firearms and ammunitions (must obtain special permit)
- Telephone, telex, fax, transmitter-receivers must have EEC approval in order to be used in French Polynesia.

## Prohibited Items

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- Firearms and ammunitions are submitted to authorization from the territorial administration.
- Unlawful drugs

## Consignment Instructions

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**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

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[CIA World Factbook](#)

[Wikipedia Entry for French Polynesia](#)

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