

1.3 Algeria Customs Information

Duties and Tax Exemption

For contact information regarding government custom authorities, please follow the link: [4.1 Algeria Government Contact List](#).

Emergency Response

Agreements / Conventions Description	Ratified by Country?
WCO (World Customs Organization) member	Yes, 19/12/1966
Annex J-5 Revised Kyoto Convention	Yes, 16/02/2005
OCHA Model Agreement	No
Tampere Convention (on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations)	No
Regional Agreements (on emergency/disaster response, but also customs unions, regional integration)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GZALE: 01/01/2009 Algeria EU Agreement: 01/09/2005

Exemption Regular Regime (Non-Emergency Response)

The following regulations govern the entry of humanitarian goods into Algeria:

- Framework Article 109 of the Finance Law of 1987 (amended and completed) relates to the conditions for the importation of goods.
- Inter-ministerial Order of 22 November 1994 contains the list of approved organizations permitted to receive goods.
- Circular # 71/DGD/CAB/130 of 19 September 1999 on the General Management of Customs related to customs formalities for imported goods.
- Inter-ministerial Order of 23 June 1996 determining the practical terms and conditions of shipping goods coming from abroad.
- Law # 90/31 of 04 December 1990 regarding organizations.
- Order # 38/MSP/CAB/MIN of 20 April 1997 completed by the Order of 11 September 1999 of the Ministry of Health and Population containing the list of restored medical equipment prohibited from import and commercialization.
- Articles 48 and 49 of the Finance Law of 2004 and Article 68 of the Finance Law of 1998 concerning age conditions of the import of tourism and utilitarian vehicles, and of engines.

Goods must meet the following conditions:

- Originate from non-governmental organizations or individuals;
- Be transported by Algerian transport companies except when these companies do not serve the shipment area;
- In the case of use of foreign shipping companies, the following conditions must be met:
 - The transported items must not be sold for profit;
 - The costs of transport be undertaken by the donor;
 - The donors must moreover opt to use the ports or airports closest to the destinations of the goods;
 - goods must bear the following identifying marks:
 - the type and brand of the product;
 - the name and address of the donor, and type of institution if applicable;
 - the name and address of the beneficiary, and type of institution if applicable;
 - expiry dates of perishable products;
 - Goods originating from Algerian organizations established abroad must transit through the relevant Algerian consulates.
 - Goods may be imported as humanitarian aid if they are designated for any of the following uses:
 - Pedagogical and cultural activities, scientific research, sport, and public service activities
 - Free distribution and other uses with humanitarian ends
 - Activities aimed at the prevention of, and the fight against, pollution.

Organizational Requirements to obtain Duty Free Status
United Nations Agencies
Letter of Understanding with the Government
Non Governmental Organizations
Letter of Understanding with the Government

Exemption Certificate Application Procedure

Duties and Taxes Exemption Application Procedure
Generalities (include a list of necessary documentation)
Letter of Understanding

Exemption Certificate Document Requirements

Duties and Taxes Exemption Certificate Document Requirements (by commodity)						
	Food	NFI (Shelter, WASH, Education)	Medicines	Vehicle & Spare Parts	Staff & Office Supplies	Telecoms Equipment
Invoice	No	No	No	No	No	No
AWB/BL/Other Transport Documents	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Donation/Non-Commercial Certificates	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Packing Lists	No	No	No	No	No	No
Other Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phytosanitary certificate • Non-Radiation Certificate • Non-GMO certificate • Fumigation certificate 					

Customs Clearance

General Information

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Document Requirements	<p>A Customs Declaration must be drawn up by an approved customs agent and filed with the customs bureau of the entry of the goods, to be accompanied by the following documents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Certificate of Goods drawn up by the donor for the beneficiary and which contains a detailed list of the goods being offered; 2. Transport document drawn up in the name of the beneficiary, also considered the consignee; 3. Document bearing the promise of a representative of the benefiting organization, to keep the goods for their prescribed purpose, and to record these in the inventory record; charitable organizations covered by the list of the Inter - ministerial Order of 22/11/94 will need the Authorization of the Ministry of the Interior, Local collectives, Management of Community Life and Public Relations (MICL/DVARP) of the acceptance of the goods delivered, including a list of the goods.
Embargoes	n/a
Prohibited Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goods not conforming to consumer protection norms (quality and packaging, environmental, hygiene, and the health of humans, animals, and plants); Regulated sensitive material; (See Relevant Regulatory Framework); • Vehicles and engines covered by the finance laws mentioned below.
General Restrictions	n/a

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	Food	NFI (Shelter, WASH, Education)	Medicines	Vehicles & Spare Parts	Staff & Office Supplies	Telecoms Equipment
D&T Exemption Certificate	Local representative document.	Local representative document.	Local representative document.	Local representative document.	Local representative document.	Local representative document.
Invoice	No	No	No	No	No	No

AWB/BL/Other Transport Documents	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Donation/Non-Commercial Certificates	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Packing Lists	No	No	No	No	No	No
Phytosanitary Certificate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other Documents	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Transit Regime

N/A