

Burkina Faso



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The importation of certain products is prohibited for security reasons (arms, ammunition, explosives, etc.) or special authorisation must be obtained. Others require an import visa.

SHIPMENT DOCUMENTS

In addition to the standard customs declaration (Single Administrative Document - SAD) required for all shipments (except those within the EU), shipments to Burkina must be accompanied by the documents listed below.

The changes made with regard to the completion of the SAD came into force on 1 January 2007.

For more information see the website: www.agenziadogane.it/.

a) Commercial invoice

At least three copies, prepared in French, with customary minimum content. It must also indicate the FOB value of the goods, the freight and insurance cost, as well as the total value.

b) EUR.1 certificate

Although Burkina does not have preferential arrangements in place for products originating in the EU, customs may require a movement certificate EUR.1 or an invoice declaration at the time of importing these products, particularly when they are incorporated in the manufacture of a local product and re-exported to the EU.

Consignments to the value of less than 6000 euros, or sent by a registered exporter may require the issue of a declaration. This declaration must be made on an invoice, a delivery note or any another commercial document which describes the products concerned in sufficient detail to enable them to be identified.

The declaration is as follows:

The exporter of the products covered by this document (customs authorization No...) (declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of preferential origin (origin of products to be shown).

Place and date (may be left blank if the information is already contained on the document).

Signature of the exporter; in addition, the name of the person signing the declaration has to be indicated in clear script.

c) Certificate of origin

For products of EU origin, which cannot benefit from the movement certificate EUR.1, and for non-EU originating products, a certificate of origin is required and it must conform to the EU FORM A specimen.

d) Phytosanitary certificate

For fruit, vegetables, seeds.

e) Export Health Certificate

Required for meat products, issued by the veterinary service of the local Health Authority.

Burkina Faso authorises imports of poultry meat (fowls, eggs and game birds) on presentation of authorisation issued by the local veterinary services (licence to import), as well as live birds. It is advisable to contact the regional veterinary offices and the importe for more information.



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PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION

Goods destined for Burkina Faso are subject to pre-shipment inspection (PSI) of quality, quantity and price of goods.

All shipments with an FOB value equal to or more than 3,000,000 CFA Francs are inspected.

Partial shipments are subject to PSI only if the total order value is equal to or exceeds FOB 3,000,000 CFA Francs. Authorities have introduced two types of inspection, depending on the degree of risk of the importation:

- routine (physical inspection, price comparison, documentary verification) for so-called high-risk shipments;
- documentary verification only (including price comparison) for the rest.

Gold, precious stones, objects of art etc. are exempt from PSI.

Containers do not need to be sealed.

TEMPORARY ADMISSION

The Customs Convention on the ATA Carnet for the Temporary Admission of Goods (ATA Convention) has been adopted by Burkina Faso for commercial samples only. All other shipments are made through an agent in accordance with common law.

TRANSPORT

- a) Transport documents
- b) Packing list

c) Transport insurance

Pursuant to national legislation, imports of goods with an FOB value in excess of 500,000 CFA Francs (approximately 655.95 CFA Francs = one euro), must be insured by an accredited local insurance company.

The insurance must cover at least the "Free of Particular Average" provision (Franc d'avaries particulières "FAP sauf").

d) Treatment of wood packaging

Although there is no specific obligation with regard to the treatment of wood packaging, before shipping it is advisable to contact the Ministry for Agriculture and the Phytosanitary Offices of the pertinent Region.

e) Electronic Cargo Tracking Note

This is required for maritime shipments and fines will be imposed on cargo not covered by an ECTN.

The document is issued by the Conseil burkinabé des chargeurs online at www.cbcbesc.com/.