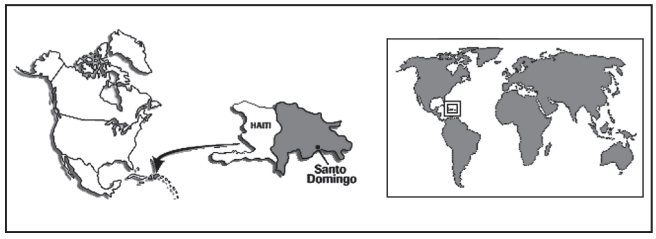
Dominican Republic (DO)

Amounts shown are expressed in United States Dollar (USD)



0. General Information

- IATA Area : 1
- Capital : Santo Domingo (SDQ)
- Local Time : GMT- 4
- Daylight Saving Time : The Dominican Republic does not observe DST.
- ☎ Country Code : + 1 (809), (829) and (849)
- Local Currency : Dominican Peso (DOP)
- Bank Information : Closed on Sunday.
- Public Holidays :

Date
01 Jan 2015
06 Jan 2015
21 Jan 2015
26 Jan 2015
27 Feb 2015
03 Apr 2015
04 May 2015
04 Jun 2015
16 Aug 2015
24 Sep 2015
06 Nov 2015
25 Dec 2015

- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols / Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Hague Protocol (1955)
  3. Montreal Convention MC99 (1999)

  For further details, explanation and how to apply these Protocols / Conventions see paragraph 2.1.5. (General Rules) including list of countries.
- **E-freight and e-AWB status of airports**
  For e-freight and e-AWB implementation status of airports please refer to chapter 6.4.

1. Airport Information

1.1. Customs Airports
Puerto Plata - POP, Punta Cana - PUJ, Santiago - STI, Santo Domingo - SDQ.

1.2. Airport Facilities
1.2.2. Storage
Goods not cleared after 6 months will be sold by auction.
Cold storage facilities: Available.
Safe for valuables: Not available.
1.2.3. Clearance
At the airport by broker or consignee.
1.2.4. Customs hours
Monday through Friday 09.00 - 17.00 hrs., Saturday 09.00 - 12.00 hrs.
Clearance outside Customs hours not possible.
1.2.5. Delivery
Not possible.
1.2.6. (Re)-Forwarding
(also under bond) Possible after permission of the Director General of Customs.

2. Import

2.1. General
2.1.1. Packing
Health Certificate when hay or straw is used. Straw of rice and used sacks prohibited.
2.1.4. Language on Documents
Spanish.
2.1.5. Other requirements
Denomination of Capital on documents: Santo Domingo.

2.2. Documentary Requirements
2.2.1. Commercial consignments
- 2 Commercial Invoices, containing: gross and net weights, FOB-value and the various articles of which the goods shipped are made.

2.2.2. Sample consignments
- 2 Commercial Invoices
- When temporarily imported: 5 Pro Forma Invoices specifying contents. Re-exportation must be guaranteed in writing by a person in the Dominican Republic.

2.2.3. Gift consignments
- 2 Commercial Invoices

2.2.4. Unaccompanied baggage
No documents.

2.3. Restrictions
2.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate and Prior Import Permit from the Ministerio de Agricultura, Santo Domingo.
Pets, when accompanied: cats and dogs: health certificate issued within 15 days prior to arrival by a competent veterinarian in country of origin, stating that animals are in good health and coming from an area free from serious diseases during the last 3 months. They must be vaccinated against rabies and parvovirus within a period of more than one month and less than one year prior to arrival; other animals: permit issued by 'Direccion de Ganaderia, Ministerio de Agricultura' (director of cattle breeding, State Secretary of Agriculture) at Santo Domingo. Permit specifies period of quarantine if applicable. Non-compliance with the regulations for pets will result in deportation of animals to country of origin at passenger's expense.
2.3.3. Plants and plant material
Live vegetables and fresh fruits, incl. seeds, plants and flowers: Import Permit from Ministerio de Agricultura must accompany consignment. Coniferous plants (and live and dead parts): Additional Certificate of disinfection.
2.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Sporting guns: Import Permit from Secretary of Interior.
Prohibited: Fire arms of any other nature or form, ammunition and weapons, unless sent directly to Ministry of War.

2.4. Prohibitions
Books, other printed matter, illustrations, figures or other articles of obscene and immoral nature; counterfeit money, paper, metallic and dies for making or printing same; patent medicines, not registered by manufacturers in the Dominican Republic; roulettes, gambling paraphernalia or machinery and equipment used in connection with gambling. See also 2.3.

2.5. Charges
2.5.2. Handling
Agent's fee for handling for each consignment imported into Dominican Republic (Documents) 20.00
Airport tax, per kg 0.13

2.5.6. Storage
First 5 days free.

3. Transhipment/Transit

3.3. Restrictions
3.3.3. Plants and plant material
Incl. fresh or frozen vegetables. In transit consignments requiring change of aircraft must be accompanied by Permit issued by Ministerio de Agricultura of Dom. Rep.
3.3.12. Foodstuffs
Fresh or frozen vegetables: see 3.3.3.

3.5. Charges
3.5.5. Transhipment
Airport TAX
(Import): per kg. 0.13
(Export): per kg 0.08

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