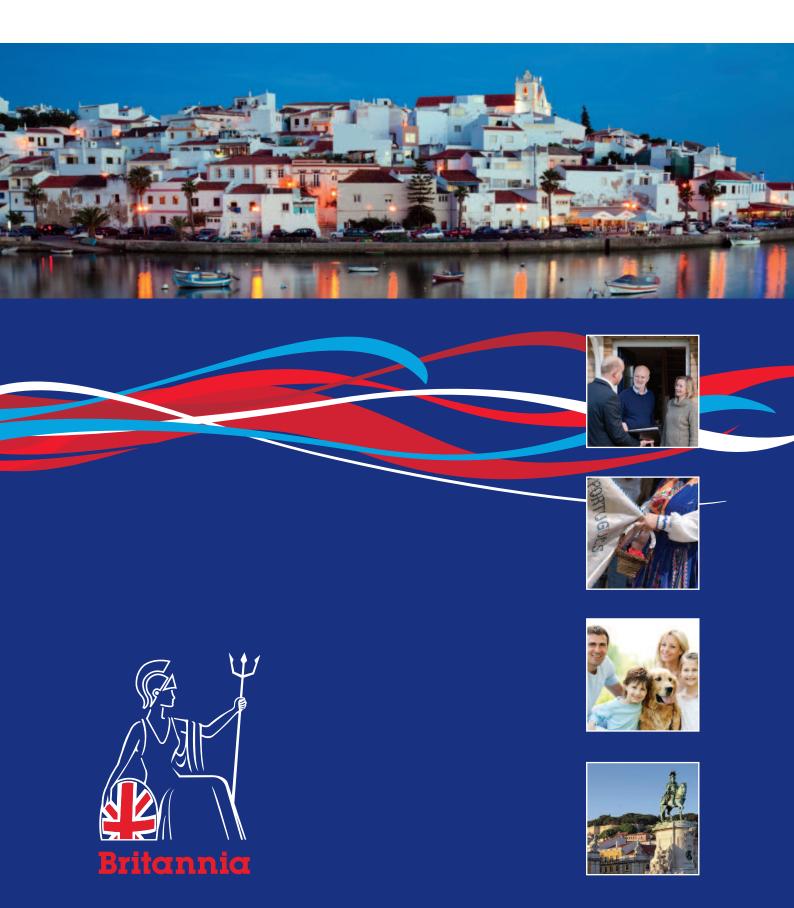
# All the right moves - Portugal



REMOVALS, STORAGE AND INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING









# Welcome To Britannia In Portugal

# Britannia Moving To/From Portugal

Portugal is a popular destination for UK citizens looking to retire or start a new life in the sun. For many years Britannia has been providing a regular removal service between the UK and Portugal, and can offer a door to door service if required. Many of Britannia's network of companies specialise in moving regularly to Portugal. With the support of our relationships with local Portuguese removal companies we can also offer site surveys, access to additional resources as well as secure storage facilities in Portugal, allowing Britannia to offer you a complete moving package.

# **Importing Personal Effects**

The UK has now left the EU and therefore new rules apply to movement of goods between the UK and EU Countries. Please bear in mind that all shipments to the EU from the UK will now have to clear customs on arrival and you must ensure you can provide all relevant customs documents required at destination. Your contact at your local Britannia office will assist you with which forms are necessary along with what supporting documentation you will need to provide. However, the responsibility for completion and submission of these forms now falls with the customer and it is advisable that all these formalities are prepared for prior to the move to avoid potential delays in transportation and additional charges.

### **Documentation**

It is important that you clarify what documentation is required for entry of your goods into any EU country. Now the UK has left the EU there are new regulations that are applicable. Britannia will assist you with documentation requirements for your chosen destination and any prohibitions that apply. You should always disclose a full and clear list of items that you require moving in order to take advantage of Britannia's expertise in this important area. There are restrictions on transporting some classes of goods across borders and within some countries. Several countries restrict the value or volume/weight of goods such as alcohol, tobacco and cigarettes. Failure to adhere to regulations that apply to each country may result in large fines plus the costs of delays to the vehicle and costs to any third parties who are thus also affected.

#### **Transit Times**

Transit times can vary subject to the method of transport chosen, size of your consignment and the final destination. Britannia will advise you once this information is established.

# **Tracking Consignment**

All groupage consignments will be bar coded before they are loaded into the vehicle. This will ensure that no items are left at origin and allow Britannia to check the status of your goods in transit.

# **Prohibitions and Restrictions**

In general it is in your interest not to import the following items:

- Firearms & ammunition
- Inflammable goods & substances
- Plants & plant material
- Perishables or otherwise
- Alcohol, narcotics and dangerous goods
- Offensive material

Despite the 'free market' of the European Union there are restrictions in transporting some classes of goods across borders and within some countries. Several countries restrict the value or volume/weight of such goods as alcohol, tobacco and cigarettes. Recent changes to legislation in Europe means that it is now forbidden to travel through France en route to other countries in any vehicle carrying more than a minimal amount of cigarettes or alcohol. If a vehicle is stopped and searched and these are found amongst household effects there are huge fines plus the costs of delays to the vehicle and costs to any third parties who are thus also affected.

#### **Additional Services**

Britannia can provide a variety of complementary services to make your moving experience as efficient and easy as possible. From International foreign exchange to helping you relocate your family's pets. For further information about Britannia's partner companies please visit -

http://www.britannia-movers.co.uk/additional-services

# **Motor Vehicles**

The import of motor vehicles is permitted providing they have been owned longer than 6 months prior to arrival of the owner in Portugal. Britannia can move your car on a road transport vehicle, please speak to your local branch for more information.

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