



## Coming Home

### Immigration

The morning of arrival, it is mandatory that all International guests report to the Immigration officer, in the designated lounge on board the ship. Please check the Carnival Capers for the time and location for clearance by U.S. Immigration. Your passport or U.S. Resident Alien card will be returned at this time.

### Disembarking The Vessel

All guests must present proof of citizenship to an inspector from the Department of Homeland Security upon disembarking the vessel. Carnival strongly recommends that you travel with a passport since this will expedite your debarkation process. You will also need to have your Sail and Sign card on hand to "check out" of the ship's security system.

### Making Customs Easy

Customs is rarely the ordeal many people imagine it will be. In fact, it's usually a brief but formal check of luggage and declared merchandise. If you keep everything in perspective you can help make it all very easy. Just remember that Customs Inspectors are there to protect us from smugglers and illegal imports - not to harass happy travelers. Everyone and everything must clear Customs. Your cooperation will make it easier for everyone involved.

### What Do I Have To Fill Out?

Part of going through Customs consists of declaring merchandise you've purchased abroad and are bringing back into the country. You'll fill out your Customs Declaration Form while on board and present it to the Customs Inspector when actually going through Customs.

The instructions on the form should be self-explanatory. However, you'll also find a thorough explanation of Customs procedures and debarkation procedures in Carnival Capers on the last evening of your cruise. Your Cruise Director will also provide a debarkation briefing prior to the last day of your cruise. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask our staff. They are there to offer any assistance you may need.

### What Do I Have To Declare?

You must declare all merchandise you've purchased or acquired abroad and are bringing back into the United States or Canada. That includes items you've purchased in "duty-free" shops and in port, as well as items you've received as gifts. It also includes items you have begun to use or are wearing. However, it doesn't include items that have been shipped directly from Mexico, the Cayman Islands, or Canada, which will be assessed a duty when they enter the country. Items shipped back from other countries must be declared, and a Customs Form 255 filled out upon your return to the United States.

## What is my duty-free allowance for foreign purchases?

For cruises that call at any of the U.S. Virgin Islands, U.S. residents are permitted up to \$1,200 (retail) of duty-free purchases, including five liters of liquor per adult of which at least one must be a product of the U.S. Virgin Islands. Of the \$1,200, no more than \$600, including one liter of liquor, one carton of cigarettes and 100 cigars (non-Cuban), may be purchased in other ports or on board. U.S. residents sailing along the west coast and on cruises from New York are allowed up to \$800 (retail), including one liter of liquor, one carton of cigarettes and 100 cigars (non-Cuban) per adult. For all other ships, U.S. residents are allowed up to \$800 (retail), including two liters of liquor per adult, depending on the port of purchase. Other restrictions may apply. Specific information will be provided aboard ship. Non-U.S. residents must comply with Customs laws in their country. Check with Customs for guidelines on current requirements.

## Claiming Your Luggage

Claiming your luggage has been simplified by color coding your baggage tags. If your bag has been given a green tag, you simply go to the area where your green tagged luggage is being claimed. Easy? Yes. When you get a lot of bags together it is easy to make a mistake and pick up the wrong bag. So, check and make sure that your name is on your bag and you have picked up the right one. If your luggage is left at the pier, it will be forwarded to you at your expense. Claims for lost or damaged luggage must be made in writing with our debarkation personnel before you leave the pier area.

## Scheduling the Flight Back Home

To allow sufficient time for Customs clearance, we recommend scheduling outbound air flights no earlier than our recommended times. For exact times please visit our web site at [carnival.com/promo/debarkation](http://carnival.com/promo/debarkation) or contact Carnival's Reservations Department for the earliest possible departure times from each port.



## On board Safety

### Safety Precautions

Fire is especially dangerous at sea. For this reason, we ask that everyone adhere to the following safety rules. Please don't smoke in bed. And don't throw lighted cigarettes, cigar butts or matches overboard. They can easily start a fire by slipping through an open portal or doorway. For your convenience, we've placed ashtrays in various locations throughout the ship. While you are getting used to the layout of the ship, be careful in doorways, on thresholds and stairs, and watch your step. Please use the handrails and grab bars.