

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 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.

In the stateroom, we recommend that you keep the floor clear of obstructions. It's a good idea to leave a light on at night (such as the bathroom light) so when you awaken you can see the stateroom clearly. The use of irons, heating pads and candles is prohibited in the staterooms. Make certain to unplug curling irons when not in use.

For everyone's safety, we ask that you don't run through the ship and that you take extra care on wet decks. Children are especially requested not to run or play on the stairways. When entering or leaving a room, be careful of the doorsills. You'll find a ladder in your cabin to get in and out of the upper berths. When you use it, make sure it is firmly secured. Your Stateroom Steward will be happy to assist you. You'll also find safety hooks on some of the furniture which we ask you not to remove.

Emergency Drills

Prior to sailing everyone will go through a safety drill. If at any time you hear the emergency signal, you must obtain your life preserver and go to your "Muster Station". You will find the location of your station by reading the instructions posted in your cabin. The Captain and his officers will direct you once you have reached your Muster Station. Remember, these safety drills are performed in the interest of guest safety. They are conducted in accordance with the rules of the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, signed in London in 1948. All Carnival ships meet international safety standards for new ships developed in 1960 and meet the latest fire safety requirements.

Life Jackets

Life jackets are for everyone. Make sure that there are sufficient life preservers in your stateroom at embarkation time. If there are not, speak to your Stateroom Steward, who will locate them and show you how to wear them. Children's life jackets are available for our younger guests upon request.

Ship's Plumbing

All guests are requested not to throw extraneous objects into the wash basins or toilets. The drain pipes are very sensitive and repairs may be difficult while the ship is at sea or in most foreign ports. Please use the wastebaskets and receptacles found in all bathrooms.