



## Benin

### Limits:

- You may import a maximum of two (2) firearms, any combination of rifles or shotguns, per hunter.
- Handguns, automatic, semi-automatic and military-style firearms are prohibited.
- A maximum of 50 rounds of ammunition per firearm is permitted, and all ammo must be of the same caliber as the firearms you are bringing.
- Bows are legal and do not require an import permit.

### Fees:

- The Benin government charges 90 € per import permit. However, safari operators charge additional to handle the application process. Some use the services of an agency. Charges vary according to the operator and will cover the costs and time of courier services and/or personally traveling to government offices, plus follow-up to get the permit issued in time for your arrival. We have seen fees from 300 € to 850 €.

### Time Frame:

- Application for your firearm import permit for Benin should be made four (4) months in advance of your safari.

### Requirements:

Your safari operator will send you an application form to fill out and return to him. You also will need to send him:

- One (1) color passport photo
- Copy of your passport
- Make, model and serial number for each firearm you are taking
- Number of rounds of ammunition for each firearm
- Proof of ownership for each firearm. US citizens may use a US Customs Form 4457. Other nationals may use a firearm license or permit issued by their country's authorities. Make sure the ownership documents list the firearms you intend to take to Benin.
- Flight itinerary showing your arrival and departure flights

### Clearing Your Firearms

Your safari operator must have someone from his organization meet you at the airport upon your arrival with all the documentation required. This person will then walk you through the clearing process.