



## Importing a mini to France from within the EU

(Main source : the UK)

### Legalities:

The Registration Document of your vehicle must be presented to your local Tax Office (*Centre des Impots*) where you will be issued with a Tax Clearance Form. ('*Certificat Fiscal*').

The vehicle must have been issued with a Certificate of Conformity (*Attestation de Conformite*) which states the vehicle conforms to French law and use.

*Nb: Any used vehicle manufactured after 1<sup>st</sup> January 1998 will require a COC or Type Approval Certificate. Vehicles manufactured before that date will not be issued with a TAC but will always require a COC. Sometimes a vehicle registration document may show a type approval number, in which case a COC may not be required.*

The vehicle will require a French MOT (*Control Technique*)

*Nb: Current UK MOT certificates are not valid in France when the vehicle is imported here and to remain here under ownership of a person resident here, albeit the certificate may have only just been issued in the UK.*

### Requirements in total

We advise that in any process required by French law you create a dossier containing the following:

- Proof of your identity; normally photographic, passport etc.
- Proof of residence here; utility bills, medical insurance certificate etc.
- Vehicle Registration Document
- Certificate of Conformity
- A recently issued Control Technique Certificate.
- A bill of sale relating to the vehicle.

It is important to remember the process is very easy when all documentation has continuity, eg. The Registration Document shows the name of the person from whom you bought the vehicle, and the Bill of Sale or *Certificat du Assesation d'un Vehicule* holds the same signature. Likewise with vehicle numbers, engine, chassis etc. against the Registration Document. Also remember, modifications which alter the details within the registration document, may delay the process of transfer and registration ie engine etc.

The registration of the vehicle and a change to French number plates (*Matriculation*) is a similar process and must be carried out within one month of the date of arrival here.

CMNF will be pleased to assist in any of the process, please e-mail us at [classicminis.nf@gmail.com](mailto:classicminis.nf@gmail.com) !

### Pleasure and Quality has its Price!

Practicality's and approximate cost involved;

- i. Source your Classic Mini: we can assist if you require it Good vehicle cost b't £6000 and £15000
- ii. (ii) Getting it to France : Collect your car from source and transport by ferry or rail, or employ a carrier to deliver it to you £200/£400 dependant on method used.
- iii. Processing Importation on arrival :
  - Tax clearance Normally no charge
  - Certificate of Conformity Dependant on make We can assist here! and manufacturer, b't £150 and £200.
  - Control Technique Approx €50/70
  - Valid Insurance Certificate Average €150 TPFT Email us for a quote!
  - Registration Matriculation €150 to €200 dependant on CV of vehicle.

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