

VEHICLE AUCTIONING WAFRORO

POD	PERIOD	REMARKS
 Abidjan	60 days	
 Banjul	90 days	
 Bata/Malabo	***	* In Practise: In Eq. Guinea auctioning is not a common practice. It is the local agent's responsibility to advise the local authorities and push them to move away the cargo form the port or make an auction. The local authorities in EG do not have a specified period for this.
 Boma	60 days	* In Practise: Usually Extended
 Conakry	90 days	
 Casablanca	45 days	* In Practise: Usually Extended
 Cotonou	1 year	
 Dakar	165 days	
 Douala	90 days	
 Freetown	90 days	
 Libreville	30 days	* In Practice: Period can be extended from the authorities to 3-6 months or even more.
 Luanda	60 days	* In Practice: According to our customs rules the importer have 60 days to clear the vehicle. After 60 days the vehicle is submitted to auction. Although this does mean that the importer could still customs clear the vehicle, this is if the vehicle is not yet on the auction list and after payment of a fine.
 Lome	180 days	
 Lagos	28 days	* In Practice: Nigeria Customs Service through the port command collates the records of all vehicles discharged into the terminals and not cleared after 28 days and publish the list of such cargo in an official gazette. The gazette serves as official notice to Importers or Cargo interest with provision to clear within 30 days after which the units are auction to the public by Nigeria customs Service, headquarters. On a practical note, while the overtime rule is 28 days, compilation of overtime list is usually done about 60 days or thereabout and where the importer or cargo interest is available to undertake customs formalities of duty payment and cargo clearance, such cargo will be delisted from the overtime cargo list and grant approval to the cargo interest to take delivery. While the rule is there, Customs do allow cargo interest to make claim and take possession of cargo.
 Monrovia	90 days	
 Pointe Noire	90 days	
 Tema/Takoradi	60 days	* In Practice: 60 days after discharge of units, the government would detain the unit. Another 30days (making it 90 days after discharge) the unit is confiscated to the state. Even at this time, if the consignee express interest to clear, he would be given 1st offer allocation and given short period allocation (say 7days) to settle duty and clear the unit, failing which the unit would be gazette and auctioned.