



ATA CARNET: Passport for Goods

Thank you for enquiring about our Customs facilitation document called an ATA Carnet. It is designed to enable you to take goods or samples abroad for trade fairs and exhibitions, film shoots, promotional and sporting activities or fashion or musical events without the usual customs formalities and delays. This note briefly explains what the Carnet is and how you use it in seven steps.

Please read it and contact us for further information or to apply for your ATA Carnets.

Step 1- Decide where you wish to take the goods

If it is one of the countries listed below and can be classified as below, then the ATA Carnet is the appropriate document to use:

- a) Commercial samples
- b) Goods for trade fairs or exhibitions
- c) Professional equipment

ATA Carnet Countries

Algeria	Andorra	Australia	Albania
Bahrain	Bosnia & Herzegovina	Belarus	Canada
Chile	China	Cote d'Ivorie	Gibraltar
Hong Kong	Iceland	India	Iran
Israel	Indonesia	Japan	Korea, Republic
Lebanon	Macedonia	Macau	Madagascar
Mauritius	Mexico	Mongolia	Morocco
Moldova	Montenegro	New Zealand	Norway
Pakistan	Russian Federation	Serbia	Senegal
Singapore	South Africa	Sri Lanka	Switzerland
Taiwan *	Thailand	Tunisia	Turkey
Ukraine	United States of America		United Arab Emirates

(*= not covered by the ATA Carnet; a separate Carnet is available from London Chamber of Commerce)

Step 2- Plan you route

Which countries will you be transiting en route? Are they on the list? If not, don't worry, you can still use the ATA Carnet and it will be explained how to get through the non-ATA Carnet countries.

Step 3- Work out the value and the category of the goods to be taken

This will enable us to estimate the security we need to give the appropriate overseas Customs, which is based on a percentage of the value of the goods.

Step 4- Decide how you would like to provide us with the security for the goods

You can do this through an indemnity scheme or by raising a bank guarantee or with a cash deposit.

Step 5- Decide when you want to take the goods and for how long

Note that the goods must not be out of the country for longer than one year.

Step 6- Recap on your requirements.

You have now worked out 1. What goods are going, 2. Where they are going, 3. What the security options are.

Step 7- Contact us for a quote

To clarify the procedures, to get a quote of how much a Carnet will cost and to get your ATA Carnet application form, please contact 01483 735540 or e-mail export@surrey-chambers.co.uk