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### **National Guaranteeing Association**

Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Türkiye (TOBB)

### Date of accession to the ATA system

01/04/1975

## Field of application notified

**ATA Convention** 

Convention on "Exhibitions and Fairs"

Convention on "Professional equipment"

Convention on "Commercial Samples"

Convention on "Seafarers"

Convention on "Scientific equipment"

Convention on "Pedagogic Material"

GATT International Convention to facilitate the importation of commercial samples and advertising material

Istanbul Convention and all its Annexes

## **Territorial coverage**

## Other applications

ATA Carnets are not accepted for postal traffic.

ATA Carnets are not accepted for transit.

ATA Carnets  $\boldsymbol{are}$  accepted for unaccompanied goods.

# Languages in which Carnets should be completed

Turkish, French, German, English

# Replacement carnet

Yes, in accordance with Article 14, Annex A of the Istanbul Convention. A replacement Carnet must be applied before the expiry of the original Carnet.

Example: the validity date of the Carnet is 01.10.2015, the Carnet holder can apply for a replacement Carnet until 30.09.2015.

# Regularization fee requested by Customs

See item 4 under special observations

#### **Customs offices**

All Class 1 for ATA operations during Official office hours.

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## **Special observations**

### 1. Use of Carnets by representatives

When the temporary importation procedure is carried out by a representative, the said representative must sign Box 'F' (temporary importation declaration) of the importation voucher. Moreover, the name of the holder's representative in Türkiye must be clearly indicated in Box 'B' (represented by) of both the importation and reexportation vouchers which will be processed by Turkish Customs. If a representative is not clearly indicated in Box "B", the attached Power of Attorney must be submitted together with the ATA Carnet as filled and signed/stamped by the carnet holder and signed and sealed by the Issuing Chamber, Embassies/Consulates or Notaries. It is advised to use the standardised template of the Power of Attorney. Should NGAs have further questions, please contact TOBB. If the question is related to a specific carnet, please contact TOBB with a copy of the carnet's cover page.

### 2. Temporary admission with partial relief from duties and taxes

In Türkiye, when goods are temporarily imported with partial relief from Customs duties and taxes, Turkish Customs charge the importer/Carnet holder 3% of the total duties monthly. When an extension of the initial period is needed, Turkish Customs will request a report on the location and situation of the goods. Such a report can be produced, subject to additional service costs, by an authorized Customs broker acting on behalf of the Customs administration. A list of the 'authorized Customs brokers' in Türkiye can be provided upon request by the Turkish Ministry of Customs and Trade: www.gtb.gov.tr.

### 3. Extension of the temporary admission period

A six-month period is usually granted for the final re-exportation of the goods from Türkiye. If the carnet holder requires an extension of the stay of the goods in Türkiye, such extension can be granted by Turkish Customs up to the date of validity of the Carnet.

### 4. Penalties in case of violation of the provisions on temporary importation

- Goods under ATA Carnets must be re-exported out of Türkiye unless properly converted into other Customs regimes with the approval of TR Customs.
- Re-exportation declaration must be made within the final date for re-exportation fixed by TR Customs at the time of importation. The final date is given in accordance with the Convention.
- In case of late re-exportation, if the delay is shorter than two months, a regularisation fee will be charged to the holder directly at the time of re-exportation.
  - If the delay is shorter than one month, 210TL will be charged.
  - If the delay is between one and two months, 420TL will be charged.
- If the delay is longer than two months, duties and taxes will be charged via NGA, and a penalty that amount to twice the amount of the duties and taxes will be charged directly to the holder.
- When regularising a claim with valid alternative proofs other than duly signed re-exportation counterfoil, a regularisation fee amounting to 210TL may be charged in accordance with the Article 10, paragraph 2 of this Annex A of the Istanbul Convention. Although in practice, this fee is not enforced, TR Customs reserves the right to charge the fee in the future.
  - If no any valid proof is provided, duties and taxes will be charged via NGA, and a penalty amounting to twice the full amount of duties and taxes will be charged directly to the holder.

### 5. General list required on a spreadsheet

According to Turkish Customs' requirement, all general lists must be provided digitally. To facilitate the declaration, holders are advised to save their carnets' general list as an Excel file on a USB stick and to provide this file to Turkish Customs upon request.

# 6. Country name change

Turkey has officially changed its name to Türkiye. The change does not affect ATA carnets already issued and in circulation. For new carnets to be issued to the country, please indicate Türkiye in the Box P of the ATA cover page.

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For NGAs/IAs with pre-printed forms on stock, it is sufficient for the issuing officer to cross out the old name, and manually write down the new name.