INDIA’S
Sole National Guarantor for

Your Global Visa for Samples/Equipments to cruise through multiple international customs without paying duty
Are you an exporter or an entrepreneur and want to carry your valuable samples for export promotion trips abroad?

Are you an industrialist or trader and want to display your products in international fairs/exhibitions/meets abroad?

Are you a TV/Film Corporation or a Journalist, an engineer, a musician or an artist and want to move your equipment across borders?

In all these cases...........

How about clearances at all exit/entry custom points!

Are you tired of waiting on long time at customs for the goods clearance? Are you sick of cumbersome documentation? Are you paying huge deposit at the border point of each country of temporary admission?

If Yes..............

You can give away all the above by switching over to ATA Carnet!

ATA Carnet is a temporary admission document which simplifies the customs procedures and clearance in a foreign land, without paying duty or a Bank Guarantee for temporary import into that country. The initials “ATA” are an acronym of the French and English words “Admission Temporaire/Temporary Admission.” Like a passport for goods, the ATA Carnet (pronounced kar-Nay) allows for the goods for which it was issued to enter any of the participating countries for up to one year. An ATA Carnet holder can avoid customs declaration and can do away with security deposit or guarantees in the country of importation.
FICCI: The Sole National Issuing and Guaranteeing Association (NIGA) for ATA Carnets in India

Who can use a Carnet!

It can be used by business and sales executives, exhibitors at trade fairs and traveling professionals, such as:

- Film & TV crews, architects, artists, engineers, entertainers, photographers, sport teams and many more.
- Large companies, small companies, individuals

Items Covered by the ATA Carnet:

- Commercial Samples
- Professional Equipments
- Goods for presentation or use at trade fairs, shows, exhibitions, meetings, demonstration and the like.

The ATA Carnet allows for the temporary import of commercial samples, exhibitions goods, and professional equipment into a country which is a signatory to the conventions governing ATA Carnets. Goods must be re-exported out of every country and re-imported into India within a year.

ATA Carnet Benefits:

- Eliminates posting financial guarantee in foreign country.
- It enables travelers to use a single ATA Carnet document for goods that will pass through several Customs authorities during the course of one trip.
- No license required in India or Abroad
- Multiple country visits and multiple trips possible on a single carnet during its one-year validity

Items excluded from the ATA Carnet:

- Goods intended for processing or repair;
- Perishable goods;
- Alcoholic beverages, tobacco, fuels and foodstuffs etc;
- Items already sold or offered for sale - such items are not considered to be samples;
- Leaflets and brochures, which are considered as "consumable items" and intended to be given away, disposed of, or utilized abroad.
Authorized custom ports for ATA Carnet clearance in India:

In India goods under ATA Carnet are allowed to enter through the following customs stations:
1. New Delhi  
2. Mumbai  
3. Bangalore  
4. Chennai  
5. Kolkata  
6. Cochin  
7. Hyderabad ICD  
8. Ahmedabad

Documents required to obtain an ATA Carnet:

- Application & Undertaking Form (Download from http://www.atacarnet.in/download-form.asp)
- Complete Invoice details (Detailed description of goods, their corresponding values, name of the countries to be visited, means of transport, packaging details etc.)
- Security deposit in the form of a Bank Draft or by a Guarantee provided by a bank. The amount should be equivalent to the import duty applicable in the Country of importation plus 10%. Bank Guarantee Format (Download from http://www.atacarnet.in/Bank-Guarantee-Format.pdf)
- Processing fees (Please refer from http://www.atacarnet.in/ATA_Fee_Structure.pdf)
- The Demand Draft should be in Favor of FICCI, payable at Delhi

Validity Period of ATA Carnet:

The maximum validity period of a Carnet is for one year.

Refund of Security deposit:

- Upon completion of the final trip, the original ATA Carnet, including used and unused counterfoils and vouchers, must be returned to FICCI
- To discharge the liability of an ATA Carnet, proof of re-exportation/ re-importation of goods covered under it, has to be submitted. It is important to obtain the correct customs verification of entry and exit from each country visited. Failure to do so may well lead to Customs duty and a penalty or tax being imposed.
- Sale of goods under ATA Carnet is not allowed. It is technically a violation of the Carnet agreement. Knowing that this sometimes happens, however, it is advised that the seller, to protect against any subsequent Customs claims by any country, must obtain an itemized receipt specifying that appropriate duties and taxes were paid, eg. Bill of Entry acquitting Carnet. Failure to produce correct evidence will result in non-refund of the deposit guarantee.
- Please note nonfulfillment of discharge obligation of a carnet can cause forfeiture of the security deposit, besides other procedures as per law.

Provided there is no evidence of the carnet entering into dispute, the deposit / bank guarantee will be released as soon as possible.

All the payments have to be made in Indian Rupees.
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