

# Kingdom of Bahrain

## National guaranteeing organization

Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
(Please see World Directory for detailed contact information)

**Date of entry into force** 1<sup>st</sup> June 2014

**Territorial application** The Kingdom of Bahrain

**Field of application** Istanbul Convention  
Annex A on "temporary admission of documents"  
Annex B1 on "goods for display or use at exhibitions, fairs, meetings or similar events" *with a reservation in respect of Article 5.1 (a)*.

**Other applications** ATA Carnets **are not** accepted for postal traffic.  
ATA Carnets **are** accepted for transit.  
ATA Carnets **are not** accepted for unaccompanied goods.  
Partial shipments **are not** allowed.

## Languages in which Carnets should be completed

English. The Customs may require a translation when the ATA Carnets are completed in any other language.

**Replacement carnet** The Kingdom of Bahrain **accept** replacement carnets.

Should an extension of the temporary admission be required, it should be coordinated with the Bahraini Customs administration and Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry in due course.

## Regularization fee requested by Customs

Carnet holders will be penalized for:

- (a) Failing to re-export or re-import goods by the final dates stipulated by Customs.
- (b) Non-presentation of the Carnet Forms to Customs for endorsement/verification upon exportation from/importation into, and re-importation into/re-exportation from the Kingdom of Bahrain.
- (c) False declaration of value of the goods which may include seizure/confiscation of the goods/prosecution, etc.
- (d) Failing to notify Customs in writing when goods covered by an ATA Carnet are not re-exported/re-imported due to whatever reasons. Customs Affairs can be notified at the following address:  
Ministry of Interior - Customs Affairs  
P.O. Box: 15, Manama  
Kingdom of Bahrain  
Tel: (+973)17359797 - Fax: (+973)1 7359748

Penalties, which may amount to a maximum of three times the value of the goods, where applicable, will also be payable. The amount of the penalty will depend on the gravity of the offence.

In the event of any customs offence being committed, the provisions of the Common Customs Law and Rules of Implementation thereof shall be applicable.

## **Customs offices**

The Customs office of Bahrain airport is entitled to process ATA Carnets from Saturday to Thursday from 7.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.

### **Special observations**

- Customs Inspection of goods under cover of ATA Carnets  
All goods temporarily exported from and imported into the Kingdom of Bahrain under cover of ATA Carnets must be subject to Customs inspection upon exit and re-entry, entry and exit.
  
- Import duties and customs fines  
Import duties, taxes, etc. (including penalties, if applicable, reaching to a maximum of two times the customs duties of the goods) will be imposed on goods which cannot be re-exported because they have been sold, given away, lost, stolen or destroyed.

These may also be applied to goods which cannot be re-exported for whatever reasons.

The import duties and customs fines shall be calculated in accordance with the Common Customs Law and Rules of Implementation thereof shall be applicable.