

The ATA system

The ATA is a system allowing the free movement of goods across frontiers and their temporary admission into a Customs territory with relief from duties and taxes. The goods are covered by a single document known as the ATA carnet that is secured by an international guarantee system.

The term “ATA” is a combination of the initial letters of the French words “Admission temporaire” and the English words “Temporary Admission”.

Thanks to this system, the international business community enjoys considerable simplification of Customs formalities. No import duties or taxes are collected for the temporary importation of goods covered by the system since internationally valid security has been established by the national associations issuing the ATA carnets. These national associations are approved by Customs and are affiliated to an international guaranteeing chain administered by the International Bureau of Chambers of Commerce (IBCC).

The ATA carnet is now the document most widely used by the business community for international operations involving temporary admission of goods.

General System of Preferences

The GSP allows the reduction of import duties for goods from developing countries. It is one of the community's unilateral measures which aims to promote the development of these countries. The regulations also set out the mechanisms for exclusion of certain countries if certain situations occur (level of development, export volume to the EU, etc.).

In order to apply reduced tariffs established by agreements between the EU and GSP countries, the supplier must provide a certificate of origin "**Form A**".

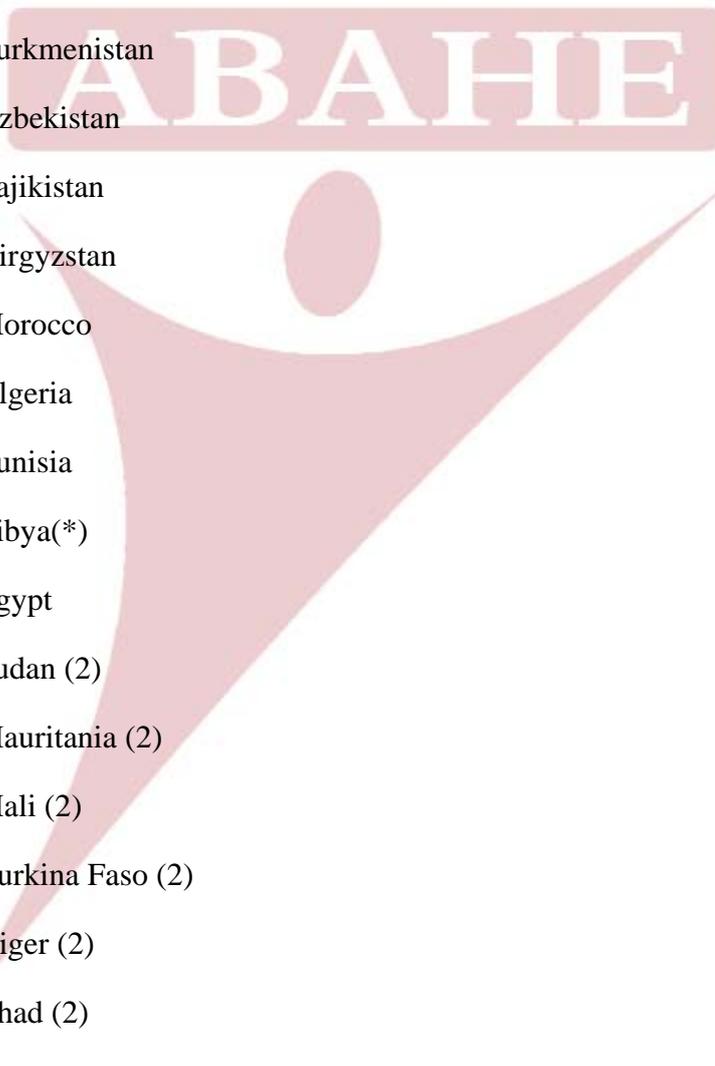
According to Article 85 of the EU Regulation 2454/93 (Application of the Customs Code), Form A certificates are valid for 10 months. For post shipments of the value less than 3000 EUR one can use the APR certificate instead of the Form A (Article 89).

Preferential tariffs can be applied without any special document to small shipments of the value less than 215 EUR or to luggage of the value less than 600 EUR (Article 90).

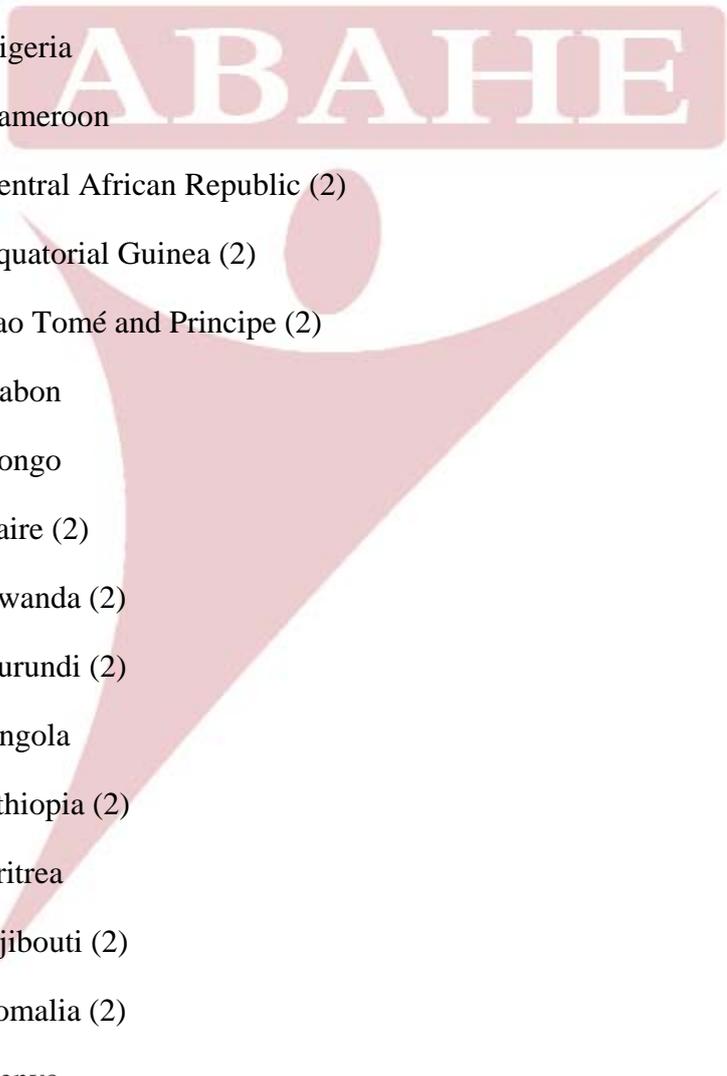
GSP Members

Code	Country
070	Albania
072	Ukraine

073	Belorussia
074	Moldova
075	Russia
076	Georgia
077	Armenia
079	Kazakhstan
080	Turkmenistan
081	Uzbekistan
082	Tajikistan
083	Kirgyzstan
204	Morocco
208	Algeria
212	Tunisia
216	Libya(*)
220	Egypt
224	Sudan (2)
228	Mauritania (2)
232	Mali (2)
236	Burkina Faso (2)
240	Niger (2)
244	Chad (2)
247	Republic of Capre Verde (2)
248	Senegal
252	Gambia (2)
257	Guinea-Bissau (2)
260	Guinea (2)



264	.....	Sierra Leone (2)
268	.....	Liberia (2)
272	.....	Ivory Coast
276	.....	Ghana
280	.....	Togo (2)
284	.....	Benin (2)
288	.....	Nigeria
302	.....	Cameroon
306	.....	Central African Republic (2)
310	.....	Equatorial Guinea (2)
311	.....	Sao Tomé and Príncipe (2)
314	.....	Gabon
318	.....	Congo
322	.....	Zaire (2)
324	.....	Rwanda (2)
328	.....	Burundi (2)
330	.....	Angola
334	.....	Ethiopia (2)
336	.....	Eritrea
338	.....	Djibouti (2)
342	.....	Somalia (2)
346	.....	Kenya
350	.....	Uganda (2)
352	.....	Tanzania (2)
355	.....	Seychelles and dependencies
366	.....	Mozambique (2)



370	Madagascar (2)
373	Mauritius
375	Comoros (2)
378	Zambia (2)
382	Zimbabwe
386	Malawi (2)
388	South Africa
389	Namibia
391	Botswana (2)
393	Swaziland
395	Lesotho (2)
412	Mexico
416	Guatemala
421	Belize
424	Honduras
428	El Salvador
432	Nicaragua
436	Costa Rica
442	Panama
448	Cuba
449	Saint Kitts and Nevis
452	Haiti (2)
453	Bahamas
456	Dominican Republic
459	Antigua and Barbuda
460	Dominica



- 464 Jamaica
465 Saint Lucia
467 Saint Vincent
469 Barbados
472 Trinidad and Tobago
473 Grenada
480 Colombia (3)
484 Venezuela (3)
488 Guiana
492 Suriname
500 Ecuador (3)
504 Peru (3)
508 Brazil
512 Chile
516 Bolivia (3)
520 Paraguay
524 Uruguay
664 India
666 Bangladesh (2)
667 Maldives (2)
669 Sri Lanka
672 Nepal (2)
675 Bhutan (2)
676 Burma (Myanmar) (2)
680 Thailand
684 Laos (2)



690	Vietnam
696	Kampuchea (2)
700	Indonesia
701	Malaysia
703	Brunei (*)
706	Singapore (*)
708	Philippines
716	Mongolia
720	China
728	South Korea (*)
801	Papua New Guinea
803	Nauru (*)
806	Solomon Islands(2)
807	Tuvalu (2)
812	Kiribati (2)
815	Fiji
816	Vanuatu (2)
817	Tonga (2)
819	West Samoa (2)
823	Federal States of Micronesia
824	Republic of Marshall Islands
825	Palau



Dependent Territories of GSP Members

Code	Territory
044	Gibraltar

329	Saint Elena and dependencies
357	British Indian Territory
377	Mayotte
406	Greenland
408	Saint Peter and Miquelon
413	Bermudas
446	Anguila
454	Turcus and Caicos Island
457	US Virgin Islands
461	British Virgin Islands
463	Cayman Islands
473	Macao
474	Aruba
478	Netherlands West Indies
529	Fakland Islands and dependencies
740	Hong Kong (*)
802	Australian Oceania
809	New Caledonia
810	American Oceania
811	Wallis Islands
813	Pitcairn Islands
814	New Zealander Oceania
822	French Polynesia
890	Polar Regions