The ATA Carnet

Digitised and Enhanced

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NEW Digital Benefit:

➢ **<u>Security & Compliance</u>**

- Secure storage of Carnet data and Customs Declaration history
- Real-time tracking of goods movement, allowing users to remain compliant and quickly address any missed Customs Declarations
- Reduced risk of shipment delays or Customs holds caused by lost Carnets, misplaced vouchers, or incorrectly used counterfoils
- QR codes are generated for each specific Customs Declaration, eliminating the possibility of using the wrong Declaration

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NEW Digital Benefit:

- **Speed & Efficiency**

- 24/7 instant e-delivery of your Carnet — no more mail delays, lost packages, or misdeliveries
- Faster Customs processing through simple QR code scanning, eliminating the need for manual stamping, signatures, and paperwork
- Ability to complete pre-Declarations when Customs officers are not physically present at the port

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NEW Digital Benefit:

➢ **Flexibility & Control**

- Option to share either the full Carnet or only specific Customs Declarations, providing greater control over Carnet usage and access
- Easy digital access from mobile devices or printed QR codes for convenient presentation to Customs

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NEW Digital Benefit:

➢ **Improved User Experience**

- Simplified and user-friendly process designed to reduce errors and administrative burden
- No more concerns about physically carrying, damaging, or losing paper Carnets during travel or shipment movements

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2. DIGITAL CARNETS WILL WORK THE SAME AS PAPER ONES

DIGITAL CARNETS WORK THE SAME AS PAPER CARNETS

1. Apply for your digital carnet at atacarnet.com, your current carnet issuing system. All the information in your application will be downloaded into the digital carnet. (see 4.)

2. You will receive the Carnet #, the Carnet ID #, and a PIN code. These are used to download the digital carnet to the App or to share the Carnet with a freight forwarder.

3. Install the ATA Carnet App on your phone

Download on the App Store

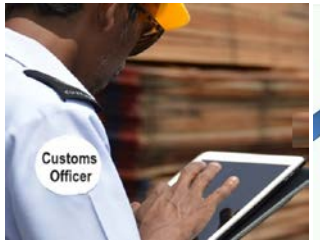
GET IT ON Google play

or download the ATA Carnet Desktop App to your computer here: app.atacarnet.iccwbo.org

4. When you login to the App or Desktop with your Carnet # or ID # and PIN code, your carnet automatically downloads to the App, and you begin creating a "travel" according to your itinerary.

5. The creation of a "travel" generates a QR code to present to Customs.

Travel = Customs Declaration!



6. Customs Declarations are visible to Customs and the Carnet User.

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GETTING STARTED – HOW TO DOWNLOAD CARNET APP

1. Go to App Store or Google play, search for “ATA Carnet” and look for this icon.

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google play

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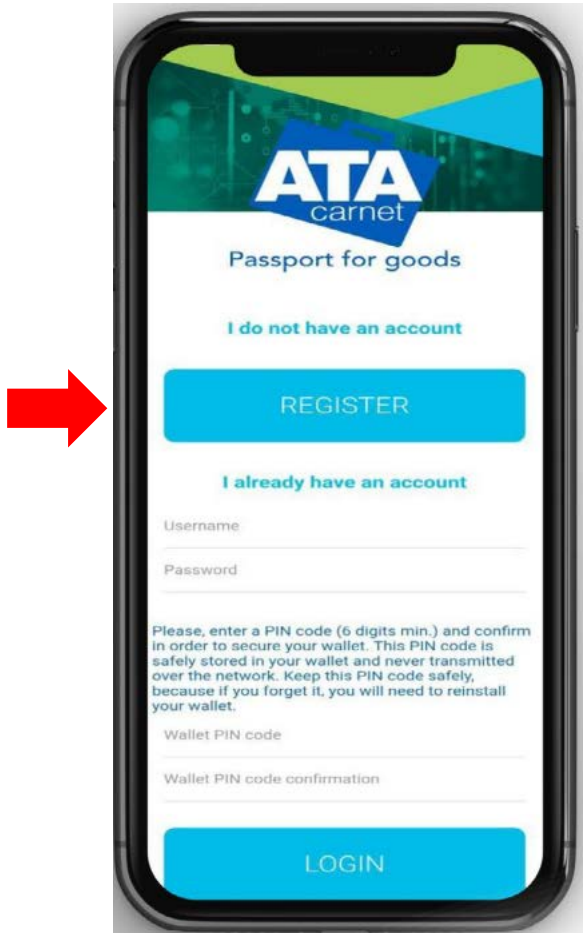
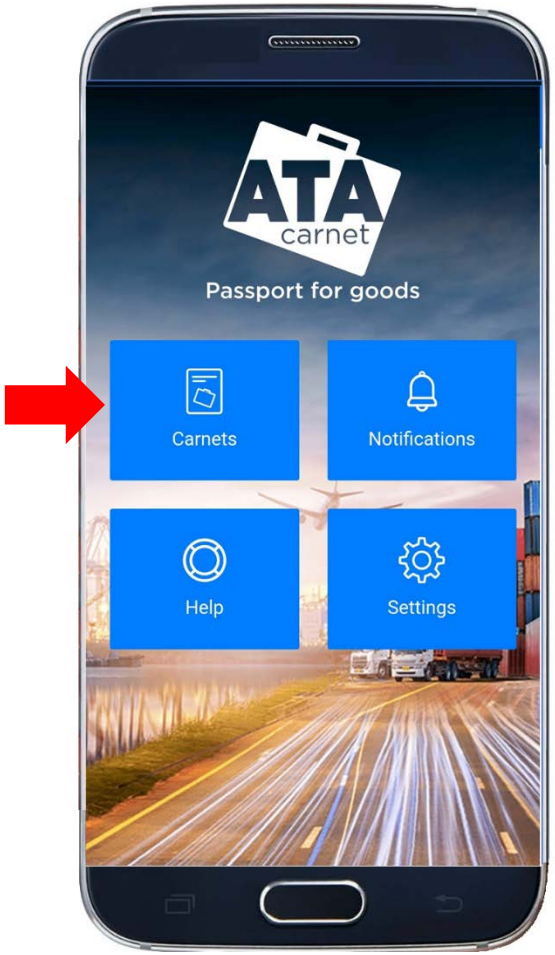
2. Download the ICC ATA Carnet app

3. Open the App and tap on Register (complete required fields)

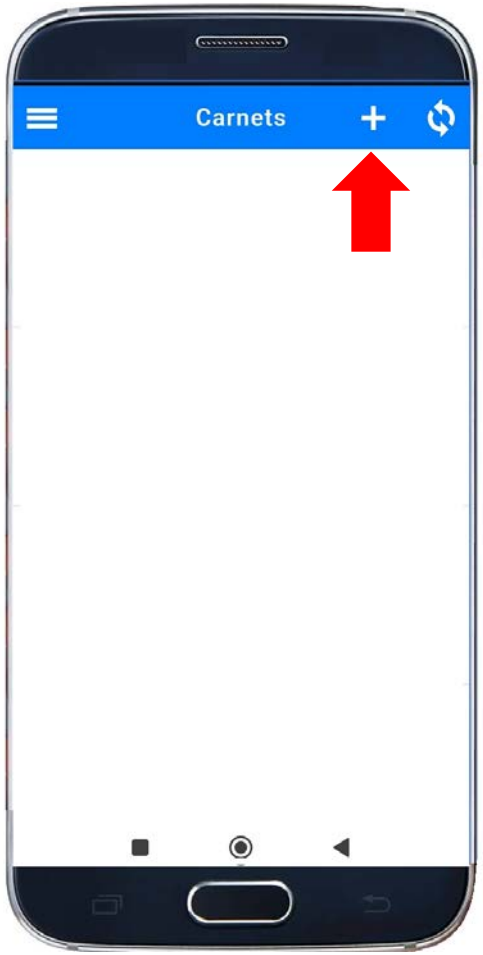


ATA CARNET APP – DOWNLOAD CARNET TO THE APP

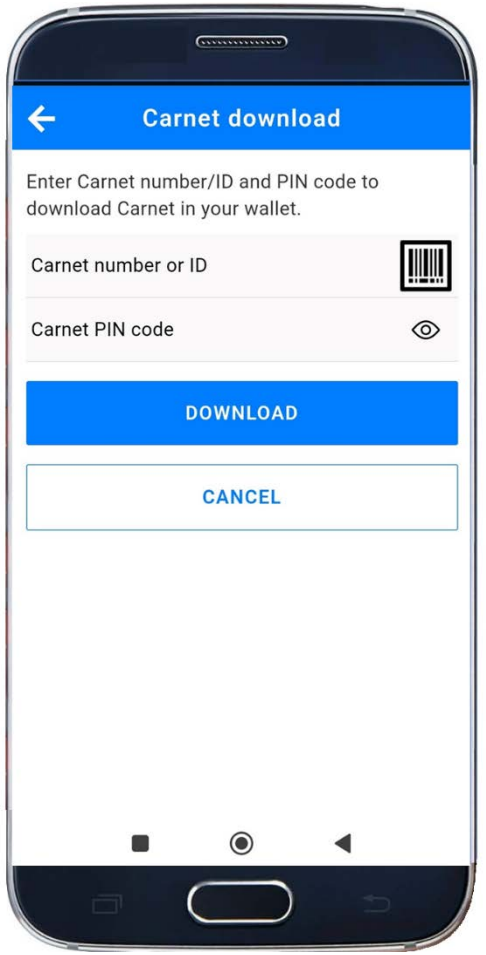
1. Login and tap on Carnets icon



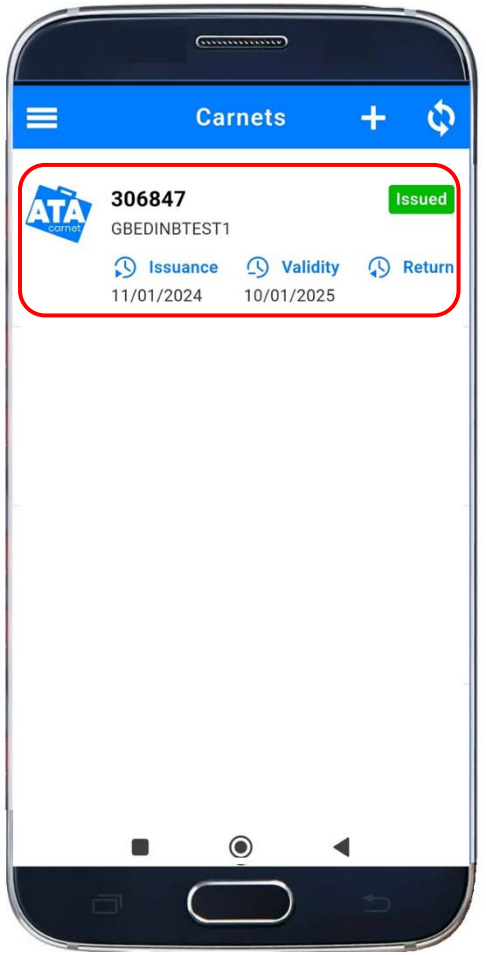
2. Tap on +



3. Type in Carnet number or ID and Carnet PIN code and tap DOWNLOAD



4. Now you can see your carnet in the Carnets section (just like seeing the paper one)



BEFORE DIGITISATION – PAPER DECLARATION (TRAVEL)

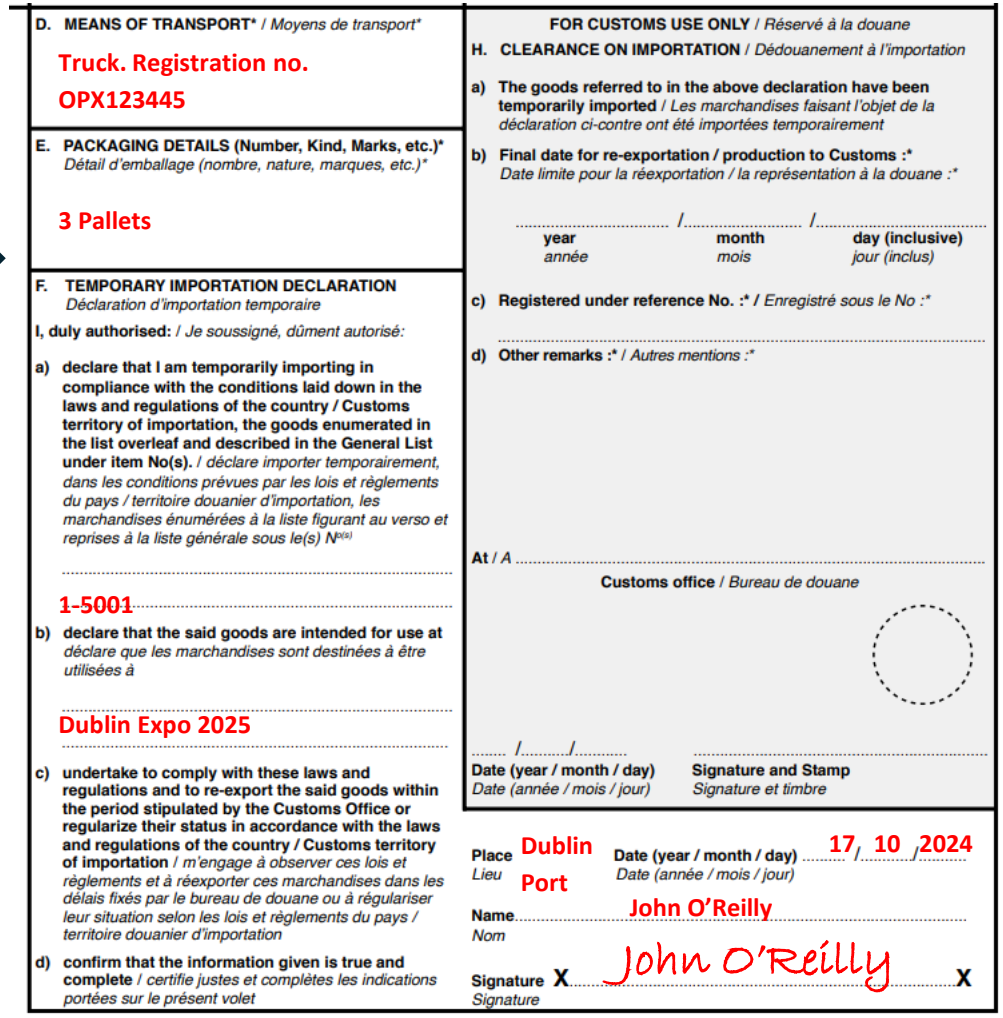
- Completing a Voucher on the paper Carnet is the equivalent to Creating a Travel in the App

- Travel is created according to the itinerary:

Outbound – export from US + import to destination

Inbound – reexport from destination + reimport to US

Travel = Customs Declaration!



D. MEANS OF TRANSPORT* / *Moyens de transport**

Truck. Registration no.
OPX123445

E. PACKAGING DETAILS (Number, Kind, Marks, etc.)* / *Détail d'emballage (nombre, nature, marques, etc.)**

3 Pallets

F. TEMPORARY IMPORTATION DECLARATION / *Déclaration d'importation temporaire*

I, duly authorised: / *Je soussigné, dûment autorisé:*

a) declare that I am temporarily importing in compliance with the conditions laid down in the laws and regulations of the country / Customs territory of importation, the goods enumerated in the list overleaf and described in the General List under item No(s). / *déclare importer temporairement, dans les conditions prévues par les lois et règlements du pays / territoire douanier d'importation, les marchandises énumérées à la liste figurant au verso et reprises à la liste générale sous le(s) N°(s)*

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b) declare that the said goods are intended for use at / *déclare que les marchandises sont destinées à être utilisées à*

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c) undertake to comply with these laws and regulations and to re-export the said goods within the period stipulated by the Customs Office or regularize their status in accordance with the laws and regulations of the country / Customs territory of importation / *m'engage à observer ces lois et règlements et à réexporter ces marchandises dans les délais fixés par le bureau de douane ou à régulariser leur situation selon les lois et règlements du pays / territoire douanier d'importation*

d) confirm that the information given is true and complete / *certifie justes et complètes les indications portées sur le présent volet*

FOR CUSTOMS USE ONLY / *Réservé à la douane*

H. CLEARANCE ON IMPORTATION / *Dédouanement à l'importation*

a) The goods referred to in the above declaration have been temporarily imported / *Les marchandises faisant l'objet de la déclaration ci-contre ont été importées temporairement*

b) Final date for re-exportation / production to Customs :* / *Date limite pour la réexportation / la représentation à la douane :**

..... / ..... / .....
year *année* | **month** *mois* | **day (inclusive)** *jour (inclus)*

c) Registered under reference No. :* / *Enregistré sous le No :**

d) Other remarks :* / *Autres mentions :**

At / *A* .....

Customs office / *Bureau de douane*

..... / ..... / .....
Date (year / month / day) *Date (année / mois / jour)*

Signature and Stamp *Signature et timbre*

Place / *Lieu* Dublin Port

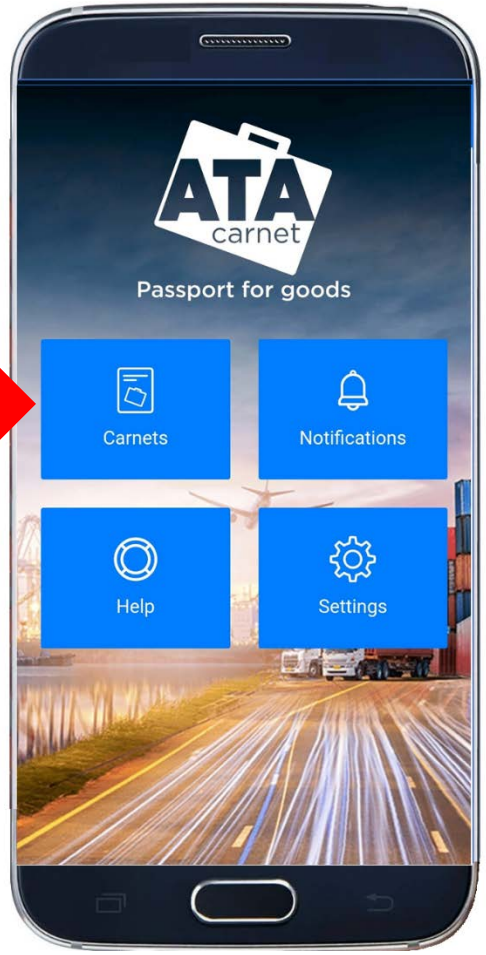
Date (year / month / day) / *Date (année / mois / jour)* 17 / 10 / 2024

Name / *Nom* John O'Reilly

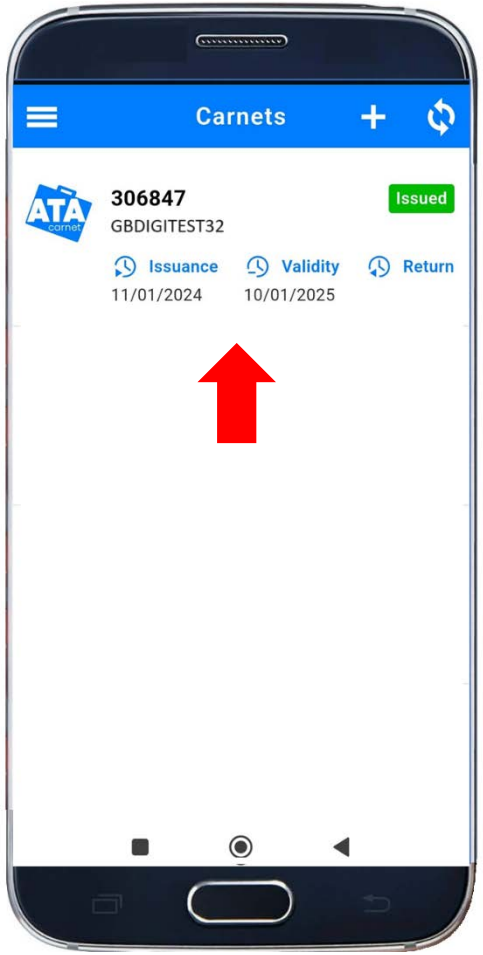
Signature / *Signature* X John O'Reilly X

ATA CARNET APP – CREATE TRAVEL (DECLARATION)

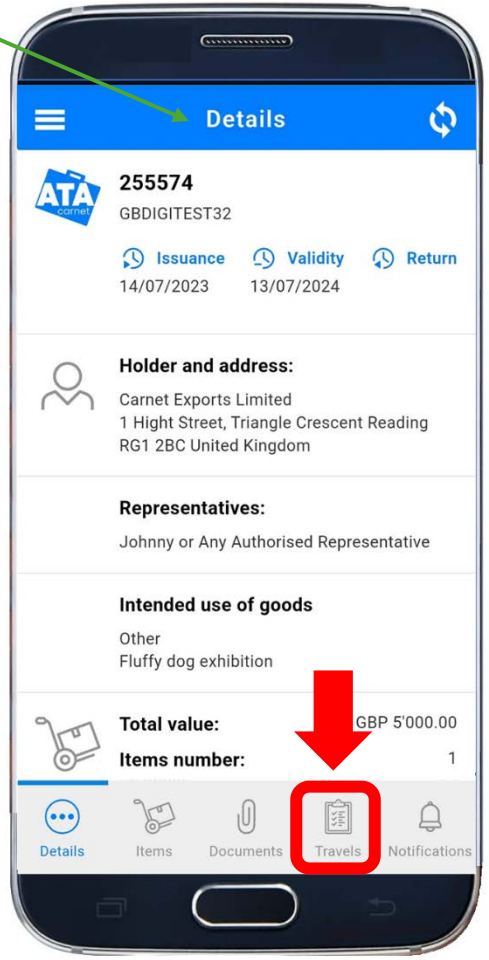
1. Tap “Carnets” icon



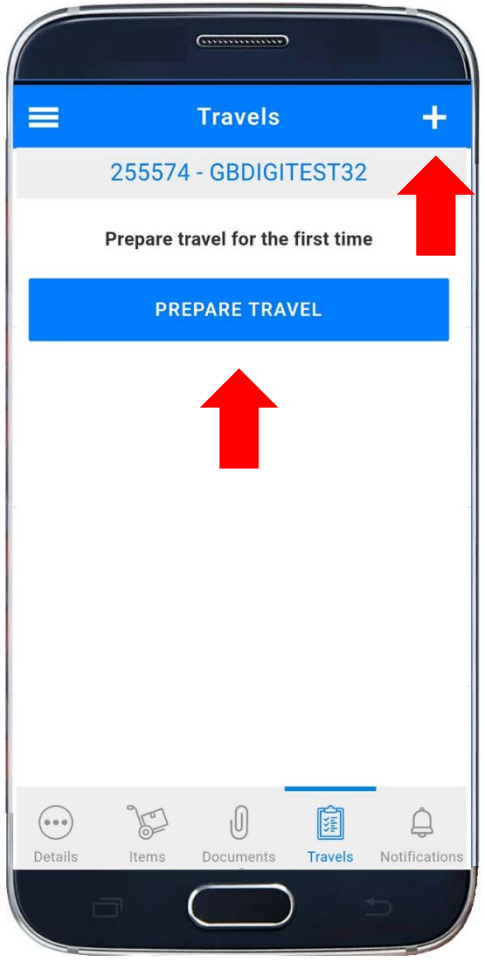
2. Select/Tap the Carnet you want, and Details of carnet will appear



3. Tap Travels in the bottom toolbar



4. Tap Prepare Travel (or +)



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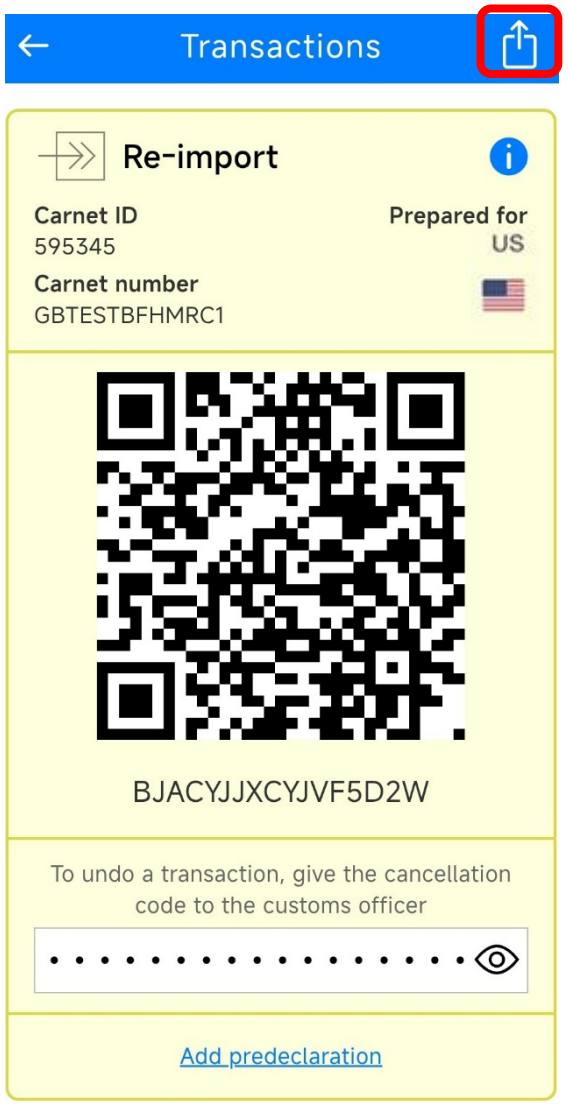

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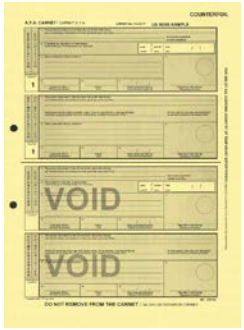
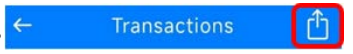


QR code (Declaration) is scanned by Customs for your travels. (export/import and re-export/re-import transactions)

- Every QR code is specific to each Customs Declaration and the corresponding Carnet country.
- Generate your QR code in advance. Save it to your phone or print a copy for presentation to Customs.
- QR codes can be shared via email or text message by selecting the forward/share icon in the upper right corner. 

- Recipients of a shared QR Code have **“view only”** access and won’t be able to edit information or generate new QR Codes.

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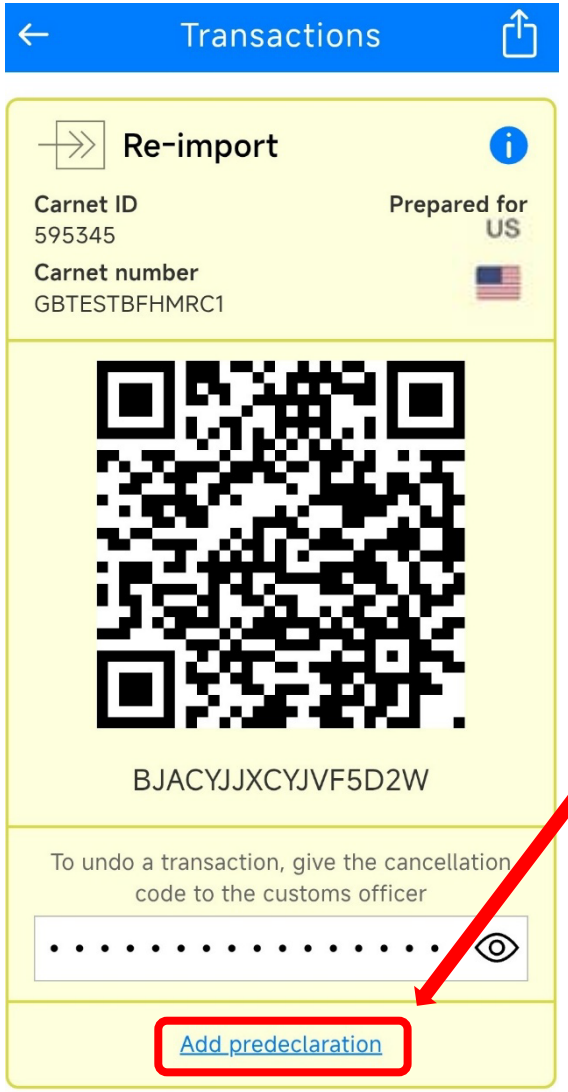
ATA CARNET APP – ADD PREDECLARATION



- Predeclarations are used in countries that require them or Customs locations that may not always have staff available
- Predeclaration can be added by clicking on “Add predeclaration” and selecting the port and time of arrival at the port. This notifies Customs when the goods will be presented to them.
- Activating the predeclaration allows Customs to process the declaration without scanning the QR code. This will only be required for certain ports. A list of these ports will be available.
- Activated predeclaration can also be used when the driver is at the port and is missing, or has an incorrect, declaration (QR Code). A new (corrected) declaration can be pushed to the port by the back office and opened by Customs directly.

Activating the predeclaration is only done AFTER the goods have arrived at the port/location where declaration will be lodged.

SHARING THE CARNET vs. SHARING THE DECLARATION

Digital Carnets can be shared in their entirety, and individual Declarations can be shared

Holder shares PIN & ID from boomerang carnets with recipient

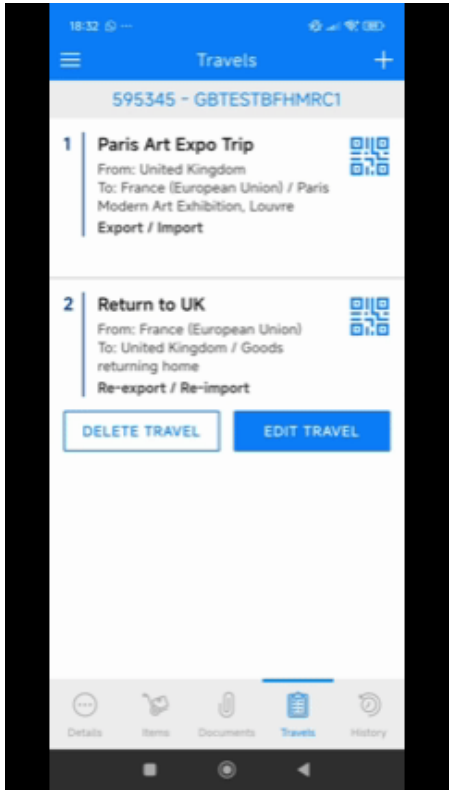
Sharing the Carnet

- Gives user FULL control of the Carnet
- User **can** create, edit and send Declarations
- To be used when goods are handled by freight forwarder

VS

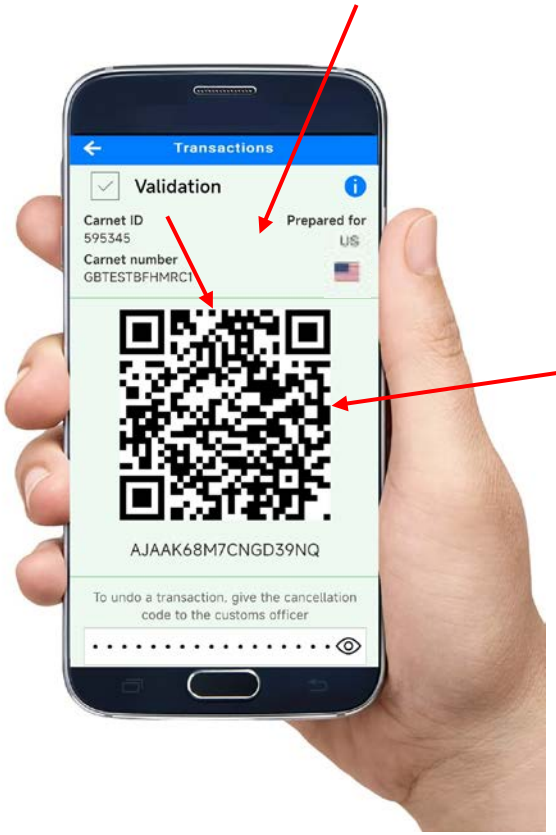
Sharing the Declaration

- Recipient can only view the received Declaration
- Recipient **cannot** edit or create Declarations
- Driver transporting the goods



DIGITAL CARNET DECLARATION – QR CODE

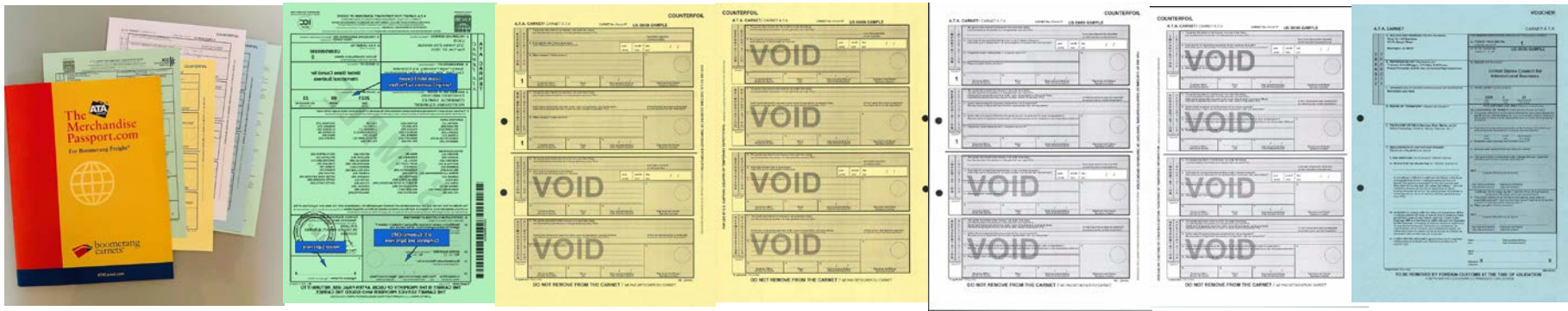
Each Customs Declaration has its own specific QR Code



Customs must scan Green QR code then scroll to a different QR code by **swiping** right / left on the QR code.
Next Yellow Exportation QR code MUST be scanned at same time.

QR Code is presented to Customs to allow them to access the Declaration

US Customs	Foreign Customs
Activation (Validation) (on 1st use only)	**Importation** Entry to Carnet country
Exportation Exit from US	**Re-exportation** Export from Carnet country
Re-importation Returning to US	**Transit (open + close)** Passing through a Carnet country en-route to the destination



CARNET DIGITALIZATION – ATA CARNET DESKTOP (ACD)

[ATA Carnet Desktop - Portal]

- Web-based app that works on the **same principle as the Mobile ATA Carnet App** (allows user to download Carnets, create and share QR codes and monitor Travels)
- Suitable for users handling multiple Carnets, i.e. Freight Forwarders.
- Synchronised with Mobile App (ACA) to avoid duplication of work. Desktop & Mobile apps use same login credentials and all data is shared across both apps.

3. HOW DIGITAL CARNETS WILL BE PROCESSED AT PORT

HOW ATA DIGITAL DECLARATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED AT PORT

Airports, ports and locations with Passenger Channels

- Carnet User has direct contact with Customs so scanning of mobile device QR code can be performed easily
- Officer will **scan the QR code**

Locations without permanent Customs presence or where Carnet users cannot access Customs

- At locations where the user does not have access to a Customs Officer (i.e. paper documents are left at the front desk), physical scanning of QR code will not be possible.
- Carnet Users can **lodge pre-Declaration** (allows Customs Officer to open Declaration without scanning the QR code)

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AT DEPARTURE & RE-ENTRY –
DECLARE GOODS | DIGITAL CARNET TO CUSTOMS

On Departure from the US (or Country of Temporary Admission)

Find the Commercial Exports area before checking your goods in

If Customs are not present, use the Customs Enquiries phone

On Arrival at the Destination (US or Abroad)

Collect your goods and go to the Red Channel (Goods to Declare)

If Customs are not present, use the Customs Enquiries phone

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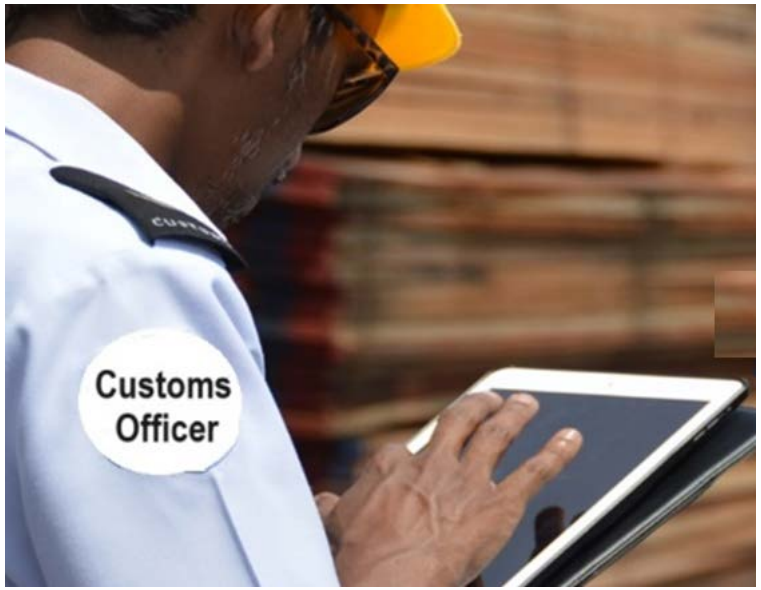
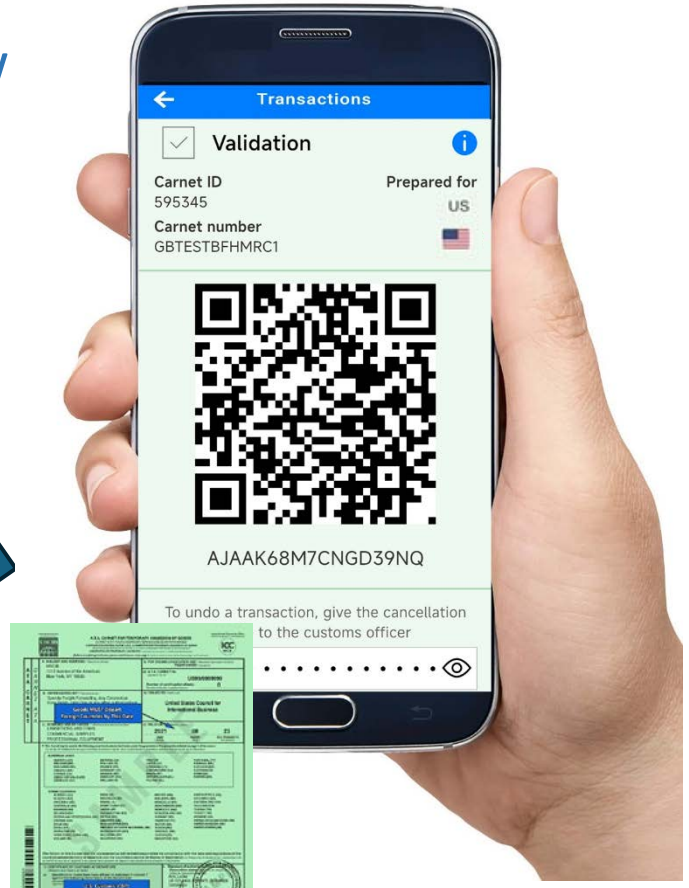
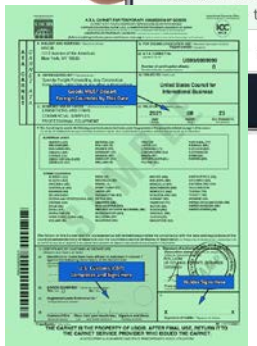
DEPARTING FROM the US

- Present **Validation** + **Export** QR codes
- US Customs will scan the QR codes and process the Declaration
- Notification (history) tab will show details of the transaction







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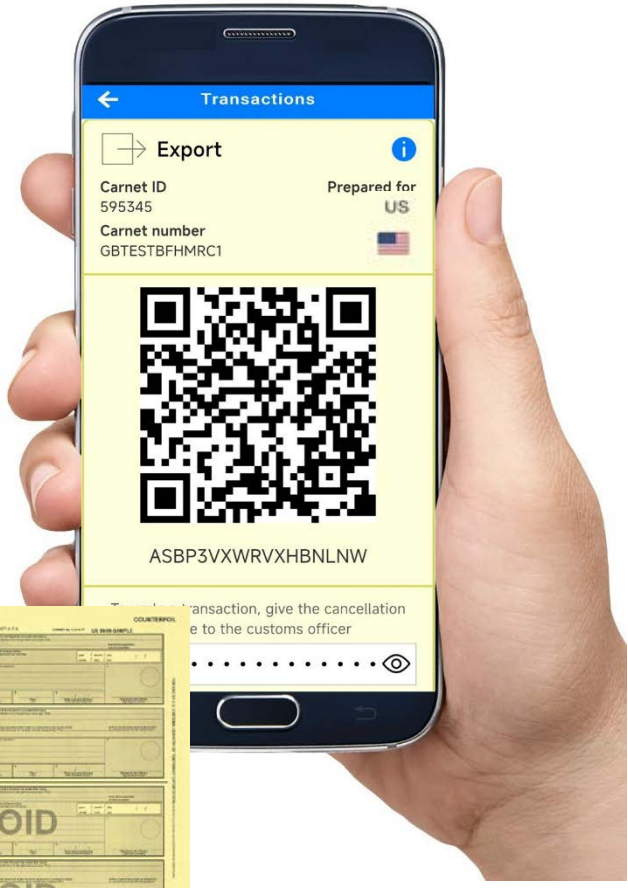

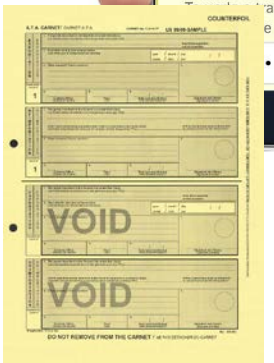

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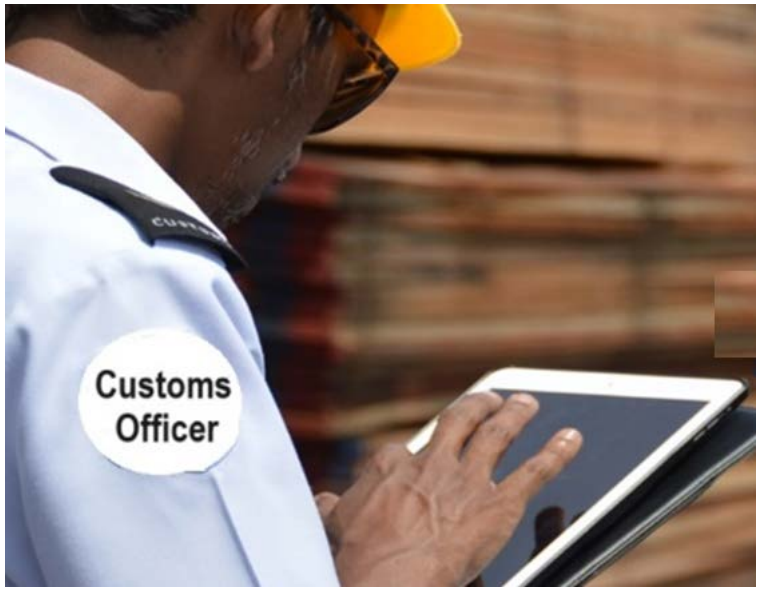
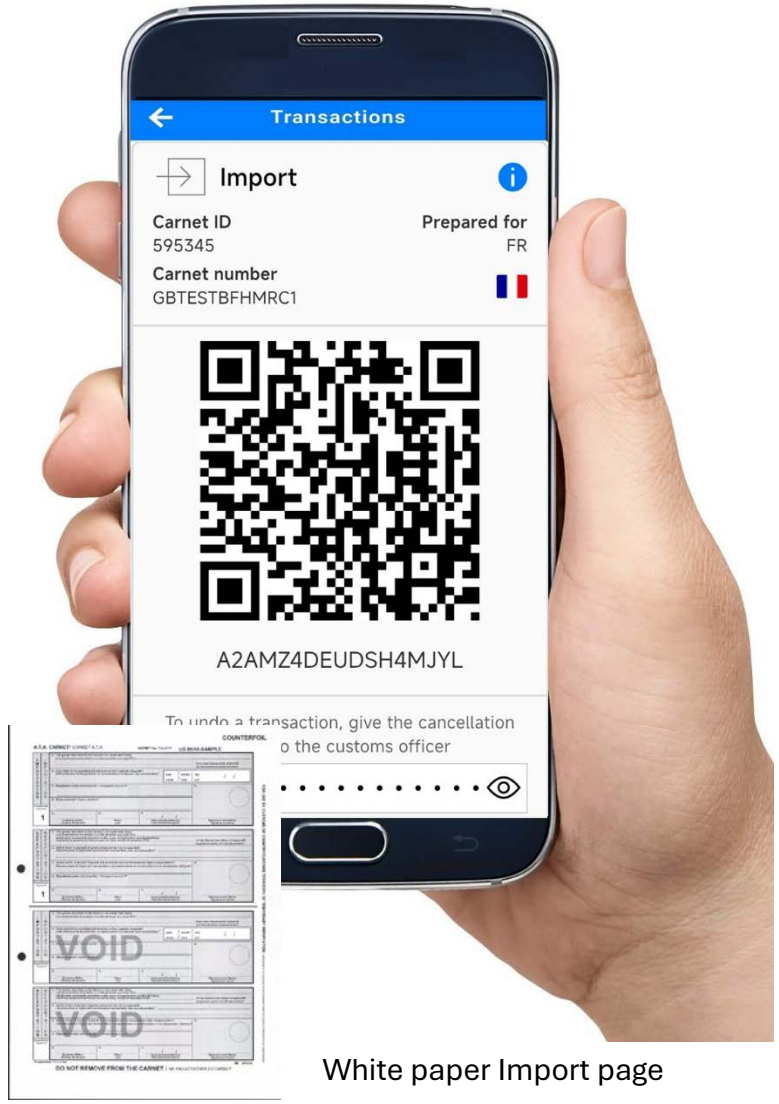
ARRIVING at the COUNTRY OF TEMPORARY IMPORTATION

- Present **Import** QR Code
- Foreign Customs will scan the QR code and process the Declaration
- Notification (history) tab will show details of the transaction

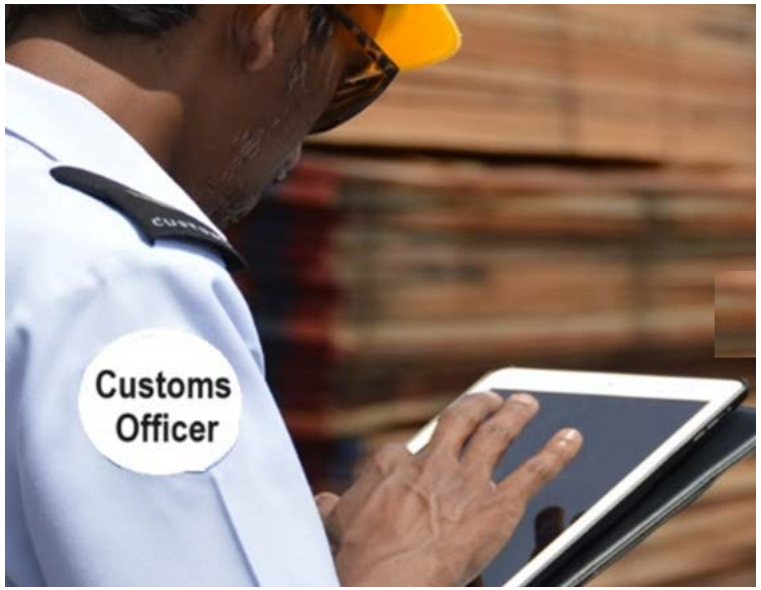




White paper Import page

DEPARTING from the COUNTRY of TEMPORARY IMPORTATION

- Present **Re-export** QR Code
- Foreign Customs will scan the QR code and process the Declaration
- Notification (history) tab will show details of the transaction



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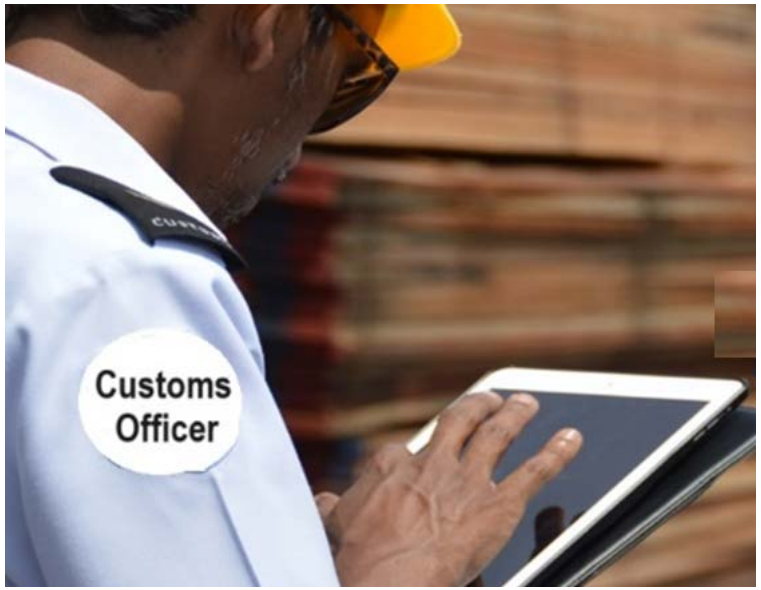
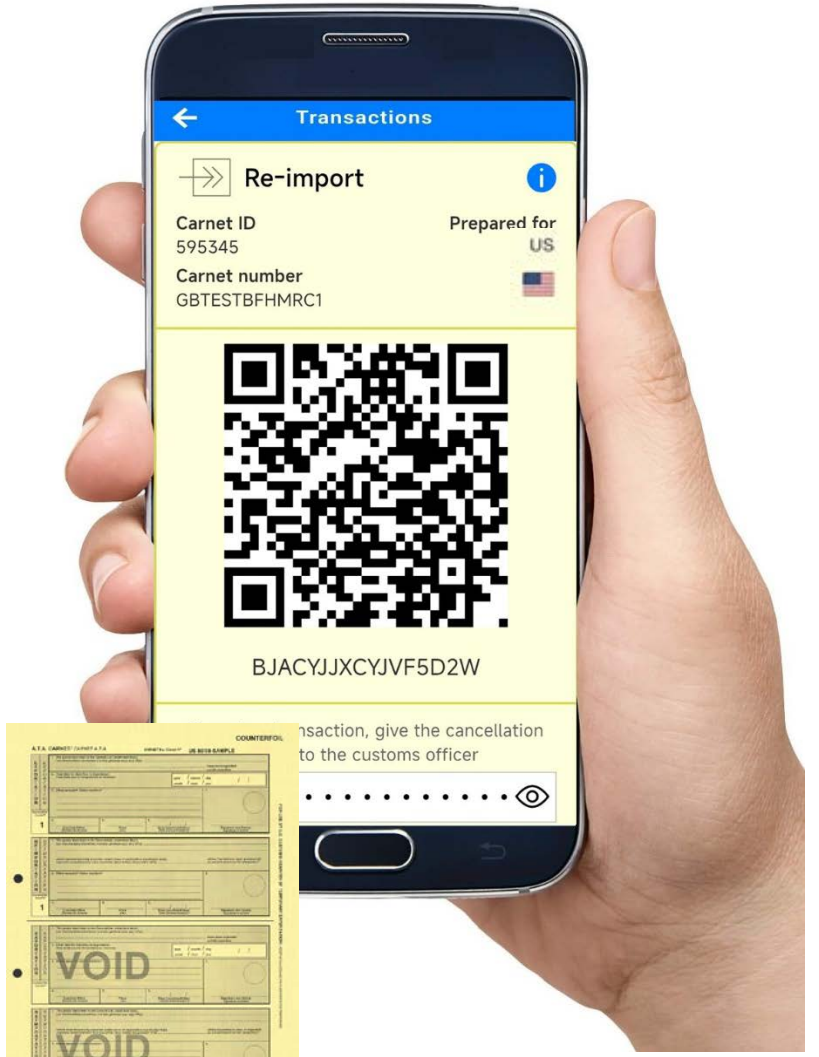
RETURNING to the US

- Present **Re-Import** QR Code
- US Customs will scan the QR code and process the Declaration
- Notification (history) tab will show details of the transaction





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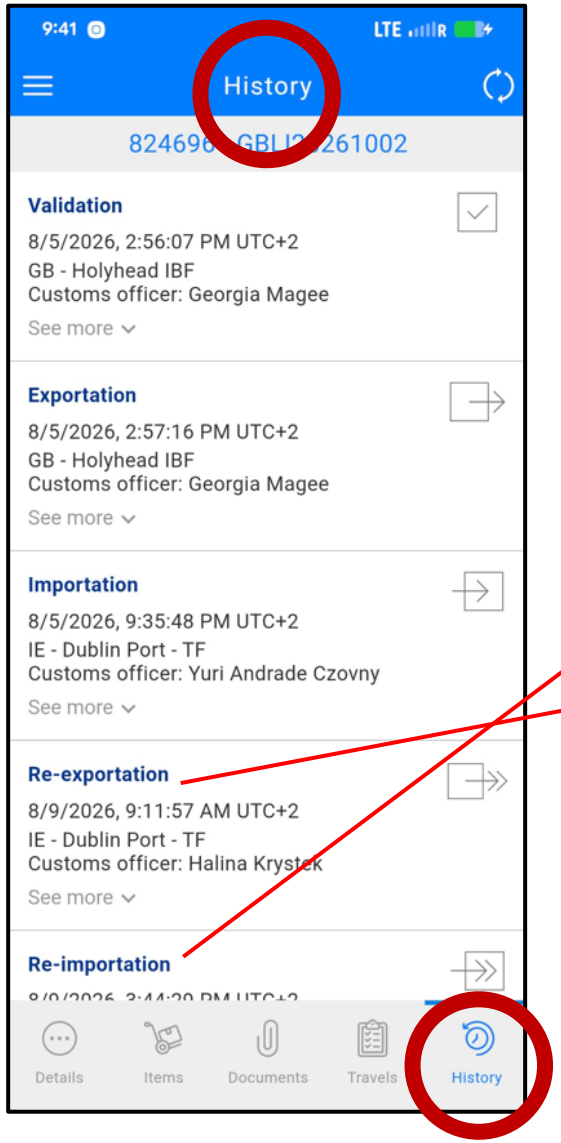
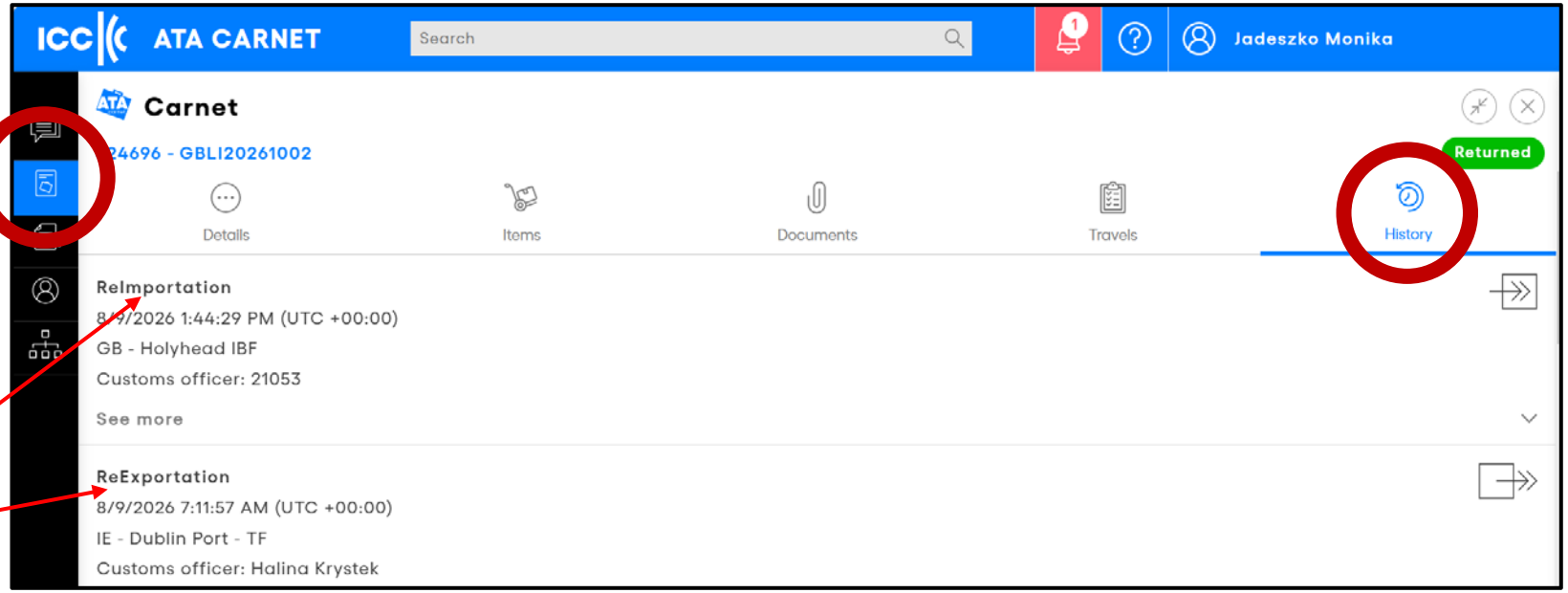
TRANSACTION HISTORY

Visible in the Carnet Mobile App and the Desktop App.





AFTER USE: CLOSING and/or RETURNING YOUR CARNET

- **Let boomerang carnets know you have finished using your carnet.** You must inform us that you are ready to close your digital carnet and return your paper version.

- Use one of these two methods to inform us you're ready **to close your digital carnet**:

  - Via email, carnets@atacarnet.com or,
  - Online in our issuing system

- **Return your paper carnet** via receipted mail to: Boomerang Carnets, 8715 Cary Algonquin Rd, Cary, IL 60013-2401. Please keep a copy of the entire carnet, including blank pages, for your records.

- Your returned carnet, **digital & paper versions**, will undergo a thorough examination before officially closing it.

GLOBAL DIGITAL CARNET TRANSITION PLAN

- Currently, the United States is a **paper** carnet country with the goal of transitioning to **digital carnet issuance and acceptance by the end of 2026.**
- The UK, EU Switzerland and Norway began **digital carnet issuance and acceptance June 1st**.
- U.S. carnet Holders will be required to clear their goods through customs with either digital or paper versions of their carnet, or both in many instances.

When to use paper Carnet or digital Carnet during the transition?

Itinerary including **paper** countries only

Itinerary including **digital** and **paper** countries

Itinerary including **digital** countries only

4. KEY DIFFERENCES vs. PAPER CARNET

What's new:

- "Travels" are Customs Declarations
- QR codes **replace** vouchers/validations
- Real-time digital tracking
- No physical document handling

What stays the same (for now):

- Customs approval still required at every border
- Paper Carnet often still required during transition

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5. PRACTICAL TIPS (from real-world rollout)

- ✓ Always **carry a charged phone** (and backup battery)
- ✓ Always have U.S. customs scan the Green Activation QR code AND scan the Yellow Export QR code. **Two QR codes** must be scanned prior to departure from the U.S.
- ✓ Take screenshots of your QR codes in case of connectivity issues
- ✓ Know which countries/ports support digital vs. paper
- ✓ Allow extra time during the transition phase

6. BOTTOM LINE

The digital ATA Carnet doesn’t change the process—
it digitizes the process:

- Same steps
- Same Customs controls
- Much faster, more transparent execution

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