

# CERTIFICATE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN

## What is a Certificate of Origin?

A Certificate of Origin is a specific document identifying goods and containing an express certification by a government authority or other empowered body that the goods originate in a specific country.

Many countries require their import documents to include a certificate of origin. They may also require commercial invoices and / or other documents to be endorsed by a Chamber of Commerce.

## Procedures for Certifying

- Certificate **MUST** be typed.
- Exporters Information Form Update (Which can be obtained from the Canberra Business Chamber) **MUST** be completed and forwarded to the Canberra Business Chamber together with a list of signatories authorised to sign the certificates on behalf of your company.
- Evidence **MUST** be supplied for stamping i.e. copies of invoices, bill of lading, letter of credit, or statutory declaration. It is recommended that you send this in prior to stamping to ensure a quicker turnaround time.
- Exporter **MUST** book a time for stamping to ensure the availability of authorised officer.
- Documents to be stamped **MUST** be the original copy.
- All export documents **MUST** be signed by the exporter on the bottom left hand-side under the exporters declaration before submission for authentication.

Please note that the Canberra Business Chamber Origin forms cannot be used for any other origin than Australian.

## Documentation Charges

<b>Certificate of Origin</b>	<b>Member: \$35.00</b>	<b>Non-Member: \$55.00</b>
<b>Other Export Docs.</b>	<b>Member: \$35.00</b>	<b>Non-Member: \$55.00</b>

***\*\*Documents are considered one document when you have an original and several copies.\*\****

## Certificates of Free Sale/Manufacture & Health Certificates

Exporters are often requested to supply certificates other than Certificates of Origin; these may be requested from Foreign Government Authorities.

### **Examples of these documents are:**

**Certified Declaration of Origin** - verifies that the goods were manufactured outside Australia and is required when origin certification is requested by the destination country.

**Free Sale Certificates** – certifying goods are sold freely in Australia.

**Certificates of Manufacture** - certifying goods are manufactured in accordance with specified requirements.

**Health Certificates** – issued in circumstances where goods are of a type not falling within the responsibility of a government department or authority.

## **ATA Carnet**

**NOTE: Canberra Business Chamber does not currently offer ATA Carnet certification**

### **What is an ATA Carnet?**

An ATA Carnet is simply a customs document that facilitates the temporary export of your goods into a country without having to pay the import duty and sales tax at the customs port. The initials ATA are an acronym of the French and English word 'Admission Temporaire/Temporary Admission'. The word 'carnet' comes from the French meaning 'notebook'.

### **What are the advantages of using an ATA Carnet?**

Saves time and money / simplifies and expedites formalities / hassle free / assists re-entry back into Australia / limited paperwork.

### **Which goods qualify?**

Commercial samples / goods for international exhibitions, conferences, lectures / scientific equipment / musical instruments, theatrical costumes, professional sound and television equipment / photography and advertising / equipment for sporting events....and many more.

ATA carnets are not intended for goods that will not be returning to Australia, such as food products which will be consumed as samples at a trade show. In the case that goods registered under an ATA Carnet are not returned to Australia, the company responsible for those goods will have to pay duty.