



Australian Government  
Australian Customs Service

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF TEMPORARY IMPORTATION  
Sub-Paragraphs 162(3)(b)(i) and 162A(5)(ii) of the Customs Act 1901

In accordance with the provisions of Sub Section 162(3)(b) or 162A(5) of the *Customs Act 1901*, I request that the CEO \*extend the time / allow a **replacement carnet** for duty free admission of the goods detailed below. The goods were imported under \*CARNET (Part A) / SECURITY (Part B). I understand that where an extension or replacement is approved, all conditions previously notified to the importer continue to remain in force for the duration of the extension/replacement.  
(\*delete whichever is not applicable)

Owner's Details

Full Name:	Passport Number:	Nationality:
Address:		Company Name: (if holder is representing a Company, include business address)
Date of Arrival:	Port of Arrival:	Vessel/Flight Details:
Reason for Extension: [Provide full reasons for extension request and length of time for which extension is requested (Attach evidence in support, if held).]		
Signature of Owner:		Date: ___ / ___ / ___

**PART A**

Carnet Details: (To be endorsed by the Guarantee Association prior to lodgement with Customs)

Carnet Number:	Carnet Type:	Expiry Date:
Holder Name:		
Import Voucher	Import Date:	
Destination Port Code:	Stated Value:	VIN: (if applicable)
Goods Description: (other than vehicle)		
Extension Approved by Guarantee Association: *YES / NO	Extension Approved by Guarantee Association until: / / 2	Replacement Approved by Guarantee Association *YES / NO
Guarantee Association: (eg. VECCI, AAA)	Signature of Guaranteeing Association Representative:	Guarantee Association Stamp:

**PART B**

Security Details

Security Type: (Cash, Documentary or Undertaking)	Security Category: (Continuing or Single)	State in which security held: (if applicable)
Lodged Date:	Expiry Date: (if applicable)	Amount::

Customs Official Use Only

Customs File Reference:	Carnet Status:
Extension Approved: *YES / NO	Extension granted until: ..... / ..... / 20 .....
Replacement Approved: *YES / NO	Replacement Carnet Number: .....

Customs Officer Name:.....

Port Stamp:

Customs Officer Signature:.....

Date:

(\*delete whichever is not applicable)

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**Guide to the procedures for the application for extension of period of temporary importation in accordance with Sub-Paragraphs 162(3)(b)(i) and 162A(5)(ii) of the Customs Act 1901.**

The *Customs Act 1901* provides the CEO with the authority to extend the period of temporary importation of goods provided an application is made in writing to the CEO prior to the expiry of the temporary importation period.

**Extension of period of temporary importation (non-carnet under security):**

The application must indicate the circumstances that oblige the owner of the goods to make the request. Supporting evidence should be provided such as, in the case of serious illness of the importer or immediate family, a medical certificate from an Australian doctor or in other instances, any supporting document showing that the delay in question is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the importer.

**Extension to carnet:**

Where an extension to the period of temporary importation for goods imported under cover of a carnet is required, the application must indicate the reasons for the request. The international Convention on temporary admission does not provide for extensions to ATA carnets. However, the Australian Customs Service does allow for an extension to an ATA carnet in accordance with the legislation. An extension may only be granted where the period of extension does not exceed one month. All other ATA extension requests will require a replacement carnet to be issued.

CPD carnets may be extended once for a period of one year without a replacement carnet being issued. Any subsequent extension request will require that a replacement carnet be issued.

The carnet holder **must** provide to the Guarantee Association (VECCI or AAA):

- the carnet;
- a completed "Application For Extension Of Period Of Temporary Importation" (Form B257); and
- supporting documentation attached to the application (eg medical certificate, letter from garage, etc),

prior to lodgement with Customs.

The Guarantee Association shall consider the request for extension/replacement. If an extension is approved, then the date of extension (new expiry date) should be noted by the Guarantee Association. If a replacement is approved, then this is to be endorsed on the application. The Guarantee Association is to stamp the Application form. Without the Guarantee Association stamp Customs cannot consider the application. The Application must be lodged with Customs **prior** to expiry of the carnet.

**The importer must also ensure that he or she has in place a valid visa and where applicable, a valid permit to cover the period of extension.**

**Decision:**

Once a decision has been made by Customs, the application form will be returned to either the owner(non-carnet) or the Guarantee Association. In the case of a carnet extension, the validity date will be amended on the carnet by Customs prior to return to the owner or the Guarantee Association.

Where a replacement carnet has been approved, the Guarantee Association is then required to arrange for the issuing of a replacement carnet by the original Issuing Authority.

**Validation:**

Upon receipt of the extension approval or the issue of the replacement carnet, the owner/carnet holder **must**:

Extension of period of temporary importation (carnet or non-carnet under security):

1. Contact the Temporary Imports officer in the State of renewal to make an appointment for the extension to be completed.
2. Present the owner's passport with visa showing entry and validity conditions and expiry period (where applicable). An extension will only be for the period of the validity period of the importer's visa;
3. In the case of an electronic visa not attached to the passport, a letter from the Department of Immigration & Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs stating the validity period and conditions of the visa.
4. Present evidence of the security being extended.

Replacement carnet:

1. Contact the Carnet officer in the State of renewal to make an appointment for the transfer to be completed.
2. Present the carnet holder's passport with visa showing entry and validity conditions and expiry period (where applicable). A replacement of the carnet will only be for the period of the validity period of the carnet holder's visa;
3. In the case of an electronic visa not attached to the passport, a letter from the Department of Immigration & Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs stating the validity period and conditions of the visa.
4. Present both the old and new carnets for inspection and transfer.

The owner is reminded of the Conditions of Use that relate to the use of the goods in Australia.