

2022 FIFA WORLD CUP IN QATAR – Professional equipment allowed from October till the end of December 2022

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The ATA Secretariat has been informed by the Qatar Chamber of Commerce (QCCI) that the Customs Authority in Qatar has approved the use of ATA Carnet for products under the Annex B2 of the Istanbul Convention on an exceptional basis only during the FIFA World Cup 2022.

You may recall that Qatar implemented the ATA Carnet procedure on 1 August 2018, and the scope of application covers Annex B1 of the Istanbul Convention (Exhibition and Fairs) only. **Professional equipment** covered under Annex B2, such as broadcasting equipment, was originally unable to be imported into Qatar under the cover of ATA Carnets for temporary admission. Considering the need of the media industry and to facilitate the FIFA World Cup 2022, QCCI has devoted great efforts to discuss with the Qatari authorities about an expansion of the scope. Today we are happy to communicate that the goal has been achieved. On behalf of the ATA network, we appreciate the great contribution of QCCI.

Please note, the expansion is on an exceptional basis, and only valid during the FIFA World Cup 2022 (from October till the end of December 2022). The final date of re-exportation will be given by the Qatari Customs officials at the time of entry, taking into consideration the time needed to import and re-export from Qatar.

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