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Although Canada continues to participate in the Transit International Routier (TIR) Convention, the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) does not accept the TIR Carnet as a valid cargo control document (CCD) for the import, in-transit, or export movement of goods.

GUIDELINES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) governs the use of the international cargo control document (CCD) known as the TIR Carnet.
2. Although Canada continues to be a participant in the TIR Convention, the CBSA does not accept the TIR Carnet as a valid cargo control document for the import, in-transit, or export movement of goods.
3. TIR Carnet shipments arriving in Canada for transportation inland or in transit for export must also be accompanied by the appropriate CBSA cargo control documents for the mode of transportation being used. The TIR Carnet must be attached to the CBSA CCD.
4. Although border services officers will not accept the TIR Carnet as a valid CCD, as a courtesy, they will complete and stamp any TIR Carnet attached to a CBSA CCD.

5. In addition to the appropriate CBSA CCD, any shipment arriving in Canada on a TIR Carnet for import must also be accounted for on the appropriate CBSA accounting document such as an E29B, *Temporary Admission Permit*, or a Form B3, *Canada Customs Coding Form*. For information on how to document temporarily imported goods, please see Memorandum D8-1-1, *Temporary Importation (Tariff Item no. 9993.00.00) Regulations*. For additional information on how to document imported goods using form B3, please see Memorandum D17-1-4, *Release of Commercial Goods*.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

6. The CBSA's Border Information Service (BIS) line responds to public inquiries related to import requirements of other government departments, including Industry Canada. You can access BIS toll-free throughout Canada by calling **1-800-461-9999**. If you are calling from outside Canada, you can access BIS by calling 204-983-3500 or 506-636-5064 (long-distance charges will apply). To speak directly to an agent, please call during regular business hours from Monday to Friday (except holidays), 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. local time. More BIS information can be found on the CBSA's Web site at www.cbsa.gc.ca.

REFERENCES

<p>ISSUING OFFICE – Carrier and Cargo Programs Commercial Border Policy Division Border and Compliance Programs Directorate Admissibility Branch</p>	<p>HEADQUARTERS FILE – N/A</p>
<p>LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES – <i>Customs Act</i>, sections 12 to 23</p>	<p>OTHER REFERENCES – D8-1-1, D17-1-4</p>
<p>SUPERSEDED MEMORANDA “D” – D3-1-2, January 25, 2001</p>	

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