

Customs Clearance CVI Bern 2018

Dear Competitors and Chefs d'Equipe

We are looking forward to welcoming you at the CVI Bern 2018 in Switzerland. We kindly ask you to take note of the following information regarding customs clearance for horses travelling to Switzerland. As Switzerland is not a member of the European Union, the import of horses requires special documents. We can offer you the following two solutions:

- A. Together with our customs agent N&P Verzollungen GmbH, we can issue an official document called "Carte Blanche" or "Freipass" which allows you to cross the border. As most competitors will leave the country Sunday night (when border crossing points normally only accept Carnet ATA's as described in paragraph B) you **must use** the border crossing point **Basel Weil am Rhein, Autobahnzoll** to benefit from this special arrangement:

Within this arrangement the Swiss authorities raise a fee for customs clearance of 60 EUR per trailer/truck, regardless of the number of horses inside. These costs can be reduced if you drive in a convoy of two or more trucks/trailers. If you both **enter and leave** the border at the same time, the whole convoy will count as one truck/trailer and the costs will be divided by the number of parties participating in the convoy. The convoy can contain horses from different nations.

Example: if you cross the border in a convoy of three trucks/trailers the costs decrease to 20 EUR per truck/trailer. The costs for this arrangement will be directly billed by us and can be paid with the entry fee at the show office. Please note that no fee will be charged by us, if you use a Carnet ATA as described in paragraph B.

All competitors who want to benefit from the offered customs clearance service described in this paragraph should contact us by email as soon as possible and must send passport copies of their horses and licence plate numbers of their cars/trailers/horse trucks by the date of the definitive entries (**22.05.2018**).

- B. Carnet ATA: The Carnet ATA is an international document issued by the chamber of commerce of your home nation. All major highway border-crossing points process **Carnet ATA's 24 hours a day and 7 days a week without charging you any fee**. To be 100% sure you can check the opening hours of your desired border crossing point here:
<http://www.ezv.admin.ch/dienstleistungen/04051/index.html?lang=en>



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This means you are not required to use **Basel Weil am Rhein, Autobahnzoll** as in A, when you have a Carnet ATA.

You need to open up your Carnet ATA in advance at your chamber of commerce. The cost they will charge you to issue the Carnet ATA will vary from country to country. You can find the contact information of your national chamber of commerce following the link below and they will guide you through the required steps: <http://www.eurochambres.be/content/default.asp?PageID=1&DocID=1937>

For any additional information or questions please do not hesitate to contact:

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