



BRINGING THE DREAM HOME

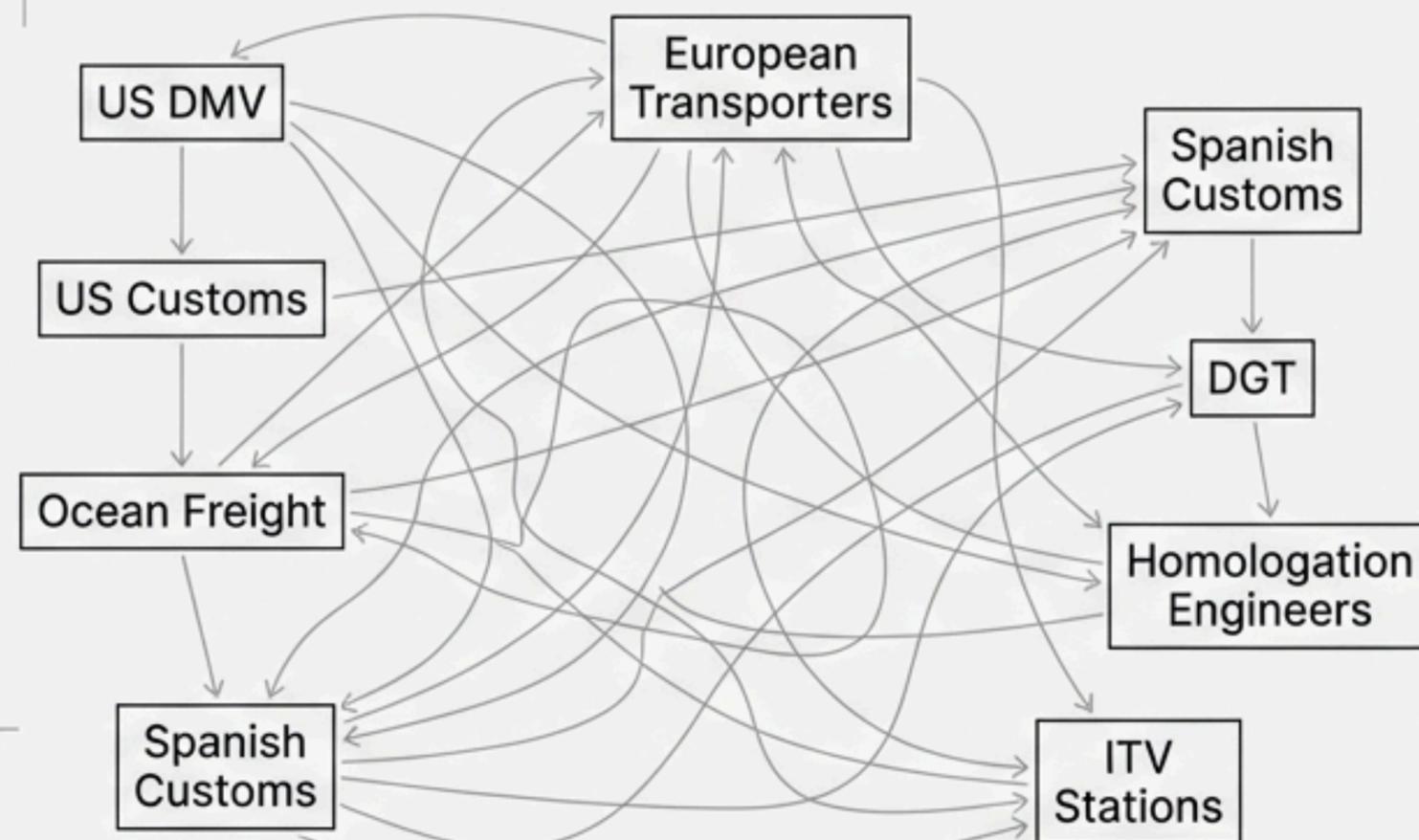
THE DEFINITIVE GUIDE TO IMPORTING US VEHICLES TO SPAIN

Navigating logistics, customs, and homologation with Bookelaar Global Car Imports.

A COMPREHENSIVE ROADMAP
FOR ENTHUSIASTS AND EXPATS

IS IMPORTING A VEHICLE FROM THE US EASY?

NO.



Importing a vehicle is a complex ecosystem, not a simple shipment. It requires coordination across two continents and multiple agencies.

It is a time-consuming process. However, since 2001, we have refined the workflow to minimise delays and ensure every step is handled efficiently.

PHASE 1: THE ASSESSMENT (GO / NO-GO)

Eligibility isn't automatic. We verify your vehicle before you ship.

RED FLAGS (CANNOT REGISTER)

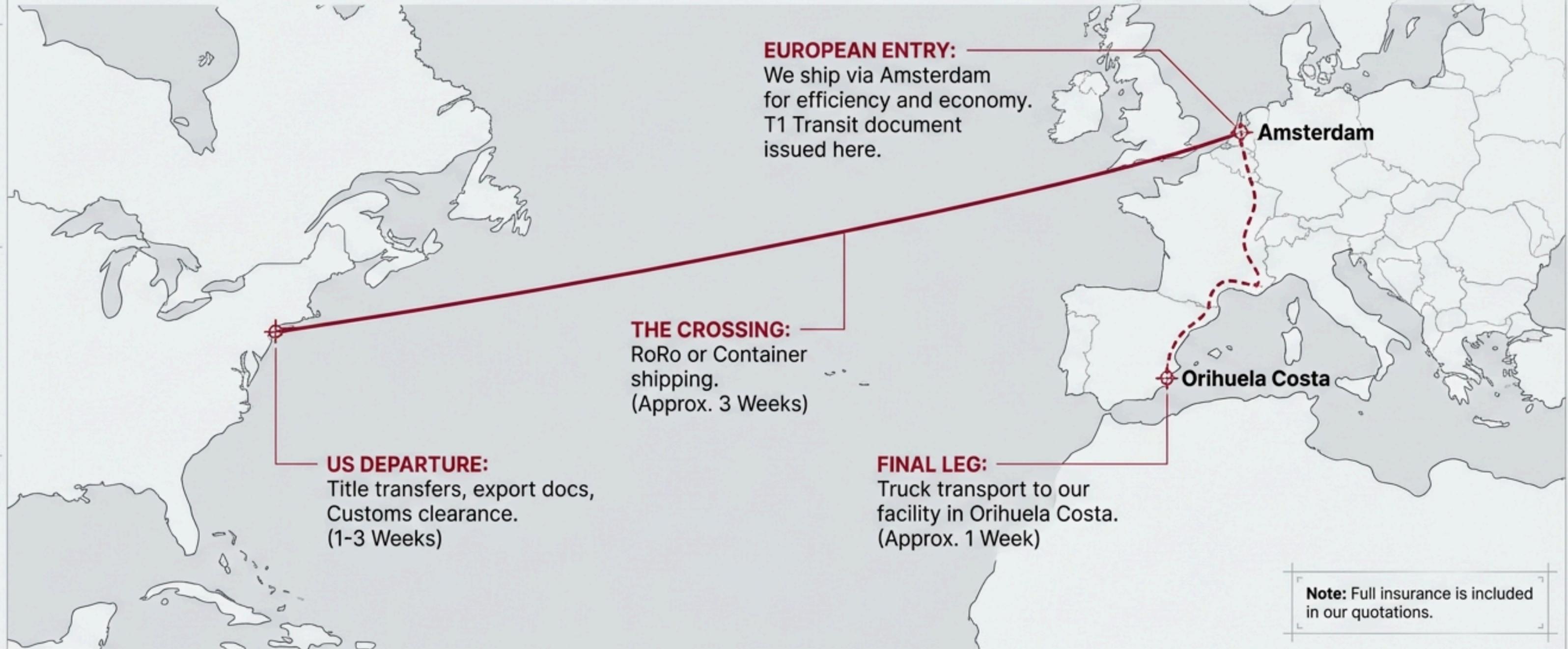
- First registered outside Europe before 2015 (unless historic)
- Heavily modified vehicles (extreme body kits, straight-pipe exhausts)
- Specific design constraints (e.g., Tesla Cybertruck)

GREEN FLAGS (ELIGIBLE)

- Standard modern vehicles (post-2015)
- Historic Vehicles: Over 30 years old (requires historic registration)
- Relocation: Vehicles imported as part of a move to Spain (Tax-Free exemption)

PHASE 2: LOGISTICS & THE ATLANTIC CROSSING

A streamlined process for shipping your vehicle, from US departure to delivery at our Spanish facility.



PHASE 3: HOMOLOGATION & TECHNICAL MODIFICATIONS

Making a US-spec vehicle legal for Spanish roads.

LIGHTING CONVERSION:

US red turn signals converted to EU Amber/Orange.

SIGNAL SEPARATION:

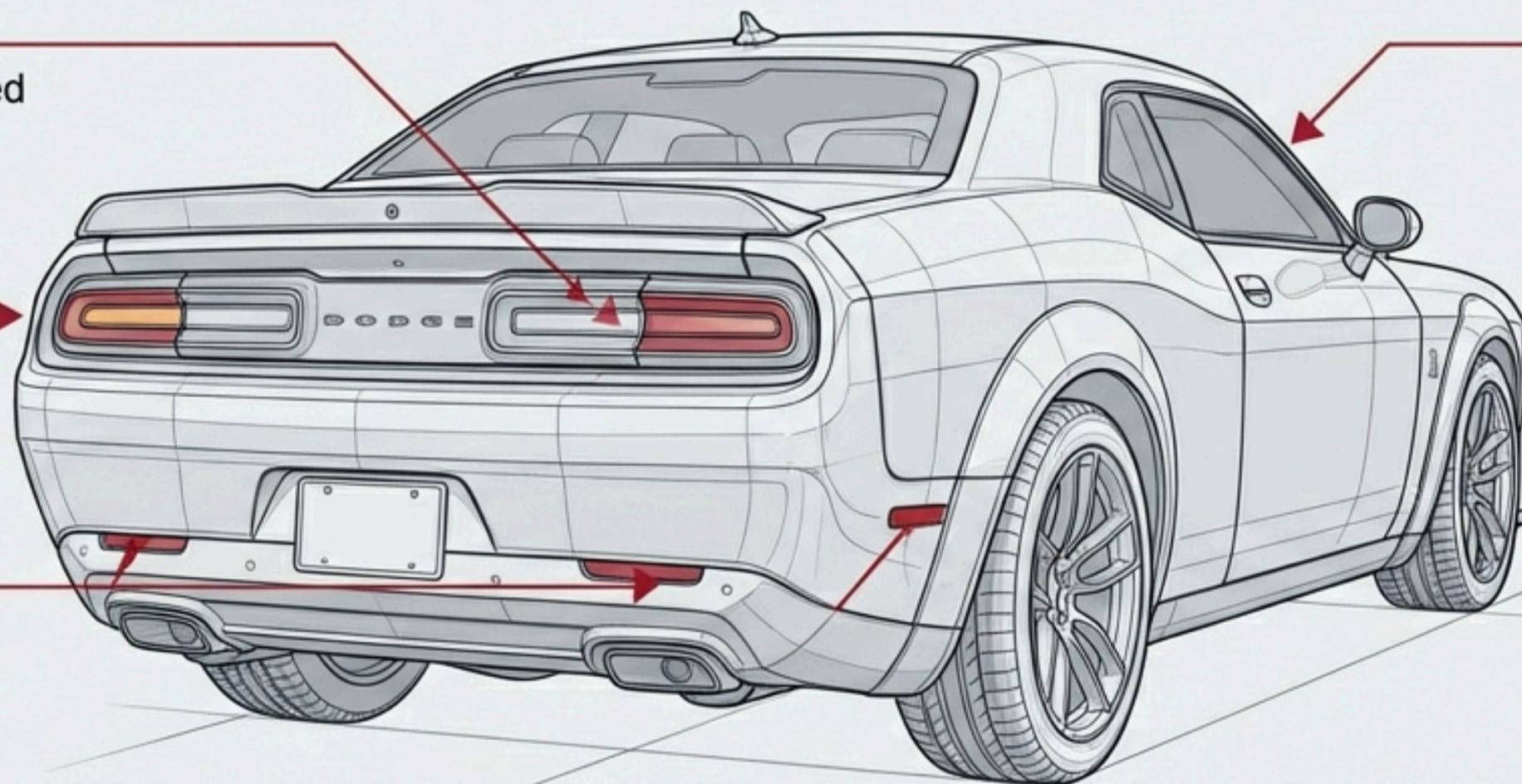
Indicators separated from brake lights.

ADDITIONS:

Installation of rear fog lights.

SPECS:

Side marker removal & window tint adjustment.



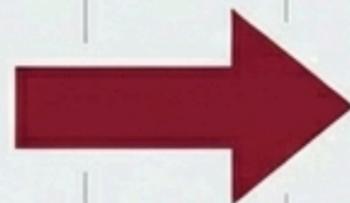
The Method: Modern LED units often require specialist modification. We handle this in-house or through trusted partners upon arrival.

PHASE 4: INSPECTION & REGISTRATION

THE HOMOLOGATION REPORT



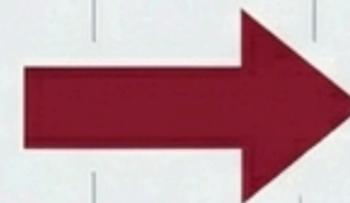
Individual technical report prepared.
Duration: ~1 Month



ITV (INSPECCIÓN TÉCNICA)



Emissions testing and safety checks.
Deficiencies are corrected immediately.
Location: Local Inspection Station



DGT REGISTRATION



Final paperwork with Traffic Authority to issue Spanish plates.
Duration: ~2 Weeks

Our Role: We use dealer plates to move the vehicle between stations, so you never have to drive unregistered.

THE 'CHANGE OF RESIDENCE' EXEMPTION

How to avoid the Impuesto de Matriculación (Registration Tax).

If relocating to Spain, you may be eligible to import your vehicle as "household goods," avoiding significant taxes.

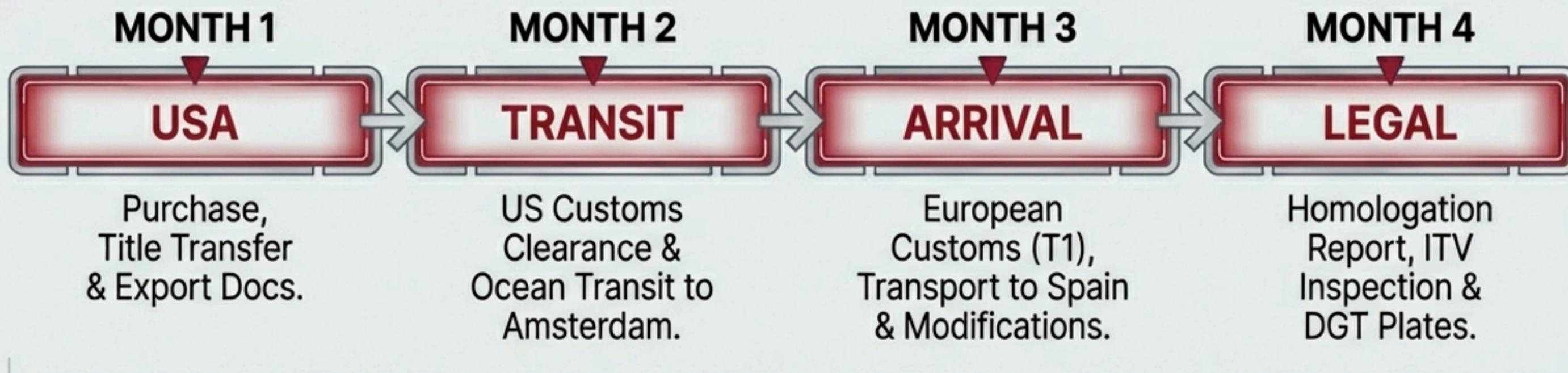


ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- RESIDENCY:** Must obtain NIE and register on the Padrón.
- OWNERSHIP:** Must have owned the vehicle for >6 months prior to move.
- HISTORY:** Proof of living abroad (tax statements, contracts).
- RETENTION:** Must not sell vehicle for 12 months after import.

CRITICAL: Deadlines are strict. Applications usually must be submitted within 60 days of becoming a resident.

PROJECTED TIMELINE



Total Estimated Time: 4 Months

Timelines are estimates based on bureaucratic variables. We minimize delays through precise planning.

TRANSPARENCY & COSTS

We provide a full projected cost breakdown BEFORE the process begins.

WHAT WE QUOTE

- Shipping & Insurance
- Customs Clearance & T1 Documents
- Homologation & Registration Fees

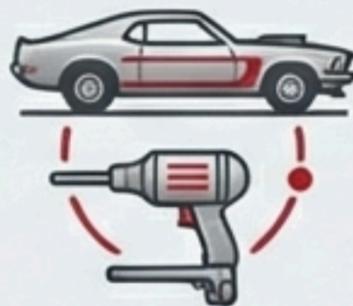
THE VARIABLES

- Governmental fee changes
- Unforeseen technical repairs for ITV (e.g., emissions)

We aim to provide comprehensive estimates upfront so there are no surprises.

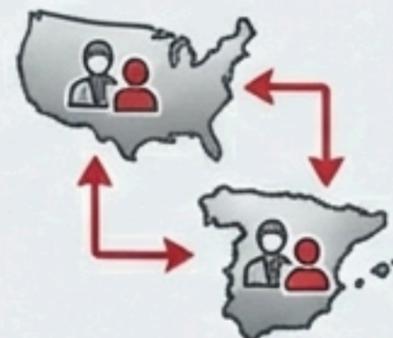
THE BOOKELAAR DIFFERENCE

We are not the largest importer, but we strive to be the most personal.



EXPERIENCE

Operating since 2001.
From rare muscle cars to
classic restorations.



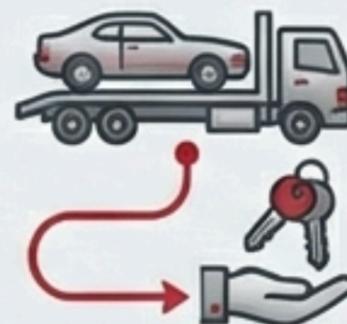
DUAL TEAMS

Dedicated staff in the US
for sourcing and dedicated
staff in Spain for registration.



PERSONAL CONTACT

Every client is known by
name. You have one
consistent point of contact.



DOOR-TO-DOOR

We handle everything
until the keys are in
your hand.

START YOUR ASSESSMENT

To determine eligibility and provide a quote, please send us:

- 1. PHOTOS:** Clear images of all 4 sides of the vehicle.
- 2. VIDEO:** A clip showing lights in action (indicators, brakes, reverse, fog).
- 3. PAPERWORK:** Scans of the Title and current vehicle documents.
- 4. STATUS:** Your ID and confirmation of residency status in Spain.

We also source vehicles. If you don't have the car yet, let us know what you are looking for.

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FROM THE US PORT TO YOUR SPANISH DRIVEWAY.

