

Regulation (EU) 1214/2011 on the professional cross-border transport of euro cash by road between euro-area Member States

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Background

Single currency but not single transport area:
substantial differences between national legislations
on the transport of euro cash



Need for common European rules

"Single license with the euro-passport"



Small business, fragmented market, limits as to infrastructure,
logistics and personnel

Advantages

Easier cross-border transport of euro cash within
the euro area

through common rules for the professional transport of
euro cash by road

under conditions that ensure a high level of security
for the CIT-staff and the general public

Content: basic principles

- The Regulation **replaces national CIT rules** for all professional cross-border CIT transports
- **National rules** remain in force for **domestic transport** – provided they do not discriminate (as less strict rules would)
- Transports between central banks, printing works and mints are **not** covered by the Regulation **if escorted**

Consequences:

- CIT companies need **new licenses** for cross-border transport as of 30 November 2012! Any old one becomes invalid!
- Member States must set up **authorities in charge of issuance of cross-border licenses!**
- Member States must **communicate** their **applicable transport arrangements!**

Content: main rules

CIT cross-border licence

- To be granted by the Member State of origin for a period of 5 years provided that the company fulfils the eligibility criteria laid down in the Regulation
- Exchange of information between Member States about companies that have been granted a cross-border CIT-licence



Commission's obligation to set up a secured database

Content: main rules

Definition 'cross-border transport of cash by road'

- **Professional transport** of euro banknotes and coins
- **by a CIT vehicle** by road
- between **euro-area Member States** for delivery or pick-up
- **majority** of delivery or pick-up in **host Member State**, or – if point-to-point – transport between two Member States
- **max. 20% non-euro cash** allowed
- During **one day** (except point-to-point)

Content: main rules

Transport conditions

- **Intra-day:** CIT vehicle must return to its country of origin on the same day
- **Day-time:** the transport must take place between 06.00 - 22.00
 - Exception: point-to-point transport possible around the clock if allowed by national legislation where transport takes place
- **The majority** of cash pick-ups/deliveries during the journey must be carried out in the host Member State

Content: main rules

National rules still applying to CIT:

National rules on the **role of national police forces** (e.g. prior notification, tracking device, point-to-point escort)

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National rules governing the **behaviour of CIT security staff outside the vehicle**

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National rules governing the **security of locations** where euro cash is delivered or picked up

... apply to cross-border CIT without prejudice to the Regulation!

Content: main rules

Exclusion of special transports from Regulation

(= no EU cross-border license)

- Transport of euro banknotes and coin between NCBs and between printing works or mints and NCBs, provided the transport is escorted by police

Content: main rules

CIT staff

- **Minimum training requirements:** at least 200 hours of initial training, consisting of initial national training + “cross-border training module” + regular training.
- **Language skills** (one in vehicle + in control centre, A1 and B1 level).
- Information between Member States about their CIT-training requirements.

Content: transport types

- **Banknotes**

- **Unarmoured ordinary vehicle with IBNS**
- **Unarmoured marked vehicle with IBNS**
- **Cabin-armoured vehicle with IBNS**
- **Fully-armoured vehicle not equipped with IBNS**
- **Fully-armoured vehicle with IBNS**

- **Coins**

- **Unarmoured vehicle of ordinary appearance**
- **Cabin-armoured vehicle with clear markings**

Main rules: penalties

- **Granting authority:** warning, fine, suspension, withdrawal of licence.
- **Host MS** shall inform **MS of origin**, but may also suspend the right of a CIT company to transport euro cash by road on its territory (if, for instance, minimum staff number or rules on firearms are not respected) and may impose a fine in some cases.
- Information exchange between Member States about infringements and penalties (data protection/only strictly necessary information)

Implementation schedule

Provisions of CIT Regulation		Possible IMI solution*				Actors	Storage & search requirements		Commission publication duties (Official Journal and/or IMI)
Article	Type of information	1	2	3	4		Info accessible to all MS	Info accessible to companies	
10	<i>Neutralised banknotes removed from circulation</i>	X				NCB -> NCB	no	no	
11.1	<i>National rules and IBNS homologation, including subsequent changes</i>		x		x	MS -> EC	yes	yes	yes
11.2	<i>Cross-border licences</i>		X			MS -> EC	yes	no	
11.3	<i>Criminal records, repute, integrity of CIT security staff</i>	X				MSD -> MSO	no	no	
11.4	<i>National training requirements CIT staff</i>		x		x	MS -> EC	yes	yes	yes
11.5	<i>National contact points' contact details</i>		x		x	MS -> EC	yes	yes	yes
11.6	<i>Withdrawal of weapons' licences</i>	X				MS -> MSO	no	no	
11.7	<i>Competent authorities for notifying transport details</i>		x		x	MS -> EC	yes	yes	yes
12.1	<i>Notification of start of granted cross-border activity</i>		X			MSO -> MSD + MST	yes	no	
13.5	<i>National transport arrangements</i>		x		x	MS -> EC	yes	yes	yes
13.6	<i>IBNS deficiencies</i>			x		MS -> MSO +EC	yes	yes	
13.6	<i>IBNS temporary prohibition</i>			x		MS -> EC + MS	yes	no	
22.2	<i>Infringements of rules or licence conditions</i>	X				MST/ MSD -> MSO	no	no	
23.1	<i>Temporary emergency security measures</i>			x		MS -> EC	yes	no	yes
23.2	<i>Prolongation temporary security measures</i>			x		MS ->EC	yes	no	
Annex II No. IV ¹ - TBC	<i>Transmission of homologation certificate</i>					MS -> NCB	yes	no	

X End November 2012

x March 2013

*Possible IMI solution:

1. Information Request workflow – Communication 1-to-1. Existing and operational functionality. No development effort needed.
2. Repository – First repository for CIT licences: development on-going. Operational as from November 2012. Other repositories will follow in 2013.
3. Notification Workflow – Communication 1-to-many. New functionality to be developed and operational as from Q3 2013.
4. Content Syndication – Automated transfer of information to be published on a web site. New functionality to be developed and operational as from Q4 2013.

Implementation

Article 25 of the Regulation- Committee on the cross border transport of euro cash

- **Role:** exchange of views on the implementation of the Regulation through consultation of stakeholders in the sector including the social partners
- **Composition:** Commission + MS (2 representatives each) + ECB (2 representatives)
- **Meetings:** at least once a year; experts (business and researchers) can be invited
- **Shall be consulted** for the periodical review of the Regulation by the Commission

Review

- **Commission reports to EP and Council by 1 December 2016 and every 5 years thereafter on the implementation of the Regulation**
 - **Main points** of the Report:
 - Possibility to have common training requirements for the carrying of arms
 - Technological progress for the IBNS
 - Possible need to revise the Regulation
 - *Quid* CIT business excluded from Regulation so far?

Thank you!

