

EU Regulation 2020/1056 on electronic freight transport information (eFTI)

An overview

Transport Community Technical Committee for Waterborne Transport and Multimodality

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Digitalisation of transport documents – Impact assessment main findings



EU policy intervention objectives

"This Regulation establishes a [harmonised] legal framework for the electronic communication of regulatory information between the economic operators concerned and competent authorities in relation to the transport of goods on the territory of the Union" (Article 1)





eFTI Regulation - Key elements

Obligation for all competent authorities in all EU MS

- To accept the information electronically
- To use the same requirements/technical specifications for acceptance

Option for the economic operators

- Can present the information electronically or use paper
- When opting for electronic, obligation to use certified eFTI platforms or service providers

Existing regulatory information requirements → Common data specifications

- EU and national legislation regulating freight transport in the EU hinterland (rail, road, inland waterways, aviation)
 - Combined transport, cabotage (road), dangerous goods and waste shipments, aviation security, non-discrimination of tariffs
 - Rules concerning the means of transport and the personnel not concerned

Common requirements for service providers and platforms

- Platforms' functionalities
- Service providers' obligations

One stop shop certification

Harmonised rules for third-party certification valid EU-wide





Complementarity with EU e-customs and emaritime systems



Commission

**Regulation (EU) 2019/1239 establishing the European Maritime Single Window Environment (EMSWe)

eFTI Regulation implementation and application – Indicative timeline



Commission

DA - Delegated act (Commission Regulation)

IA – Implementing act (Commission Regulation)

Preparing eFTI Reg. secondary acts - Who does what ? (1)

| Entity | Composition | Role | Scope |
|---|---|--|---|
| Digital Transport and Logistics Forum (DTLF) | ✓ Industry representatives (majority) ✓ Member States experts (≈12 MS currently actively represented) | Advise the European Commission (EC) in considering different implementation options → Recommendations | All aspects covered by eFTI secondary acts (eFTI data (sub)set(s), functional & technical specifications for authorities and private sector systems, certification) + uptake |
| Delegated Act (DA) Expert Group (DTLF Subgroup 3) | ✓ Member States experts (all MS should be represented) ✓ European Parliament experts ✓ Industry representatives (selected DTLF representatives) | Assist the EC in defining the implementation specifications → Consultation → EP & Council 2 months to formulate any objections after EC adoption | ✓ National legislation requirements (Art. 2) ✓ eFTI common data set and subsets (Art. 7) ✓ Certification rules for eFTI platforms & service providers (Art. 12 & 13) |
| Implementing Act (IA) Committee (Digital Transport and Trade Facilitation Committee) | Member States experts (only!) | Assist the EC in defining the implementation specifications → Vote before EC can adopt the IA | ✓ Functional & technical specifications for authorities' systems (Art. 8) ✓ Functional & technical specifications for eFTI platforms & service providers (Art. 9 & 10) |



Preparing eFTI Reg. secondary acts - Who does what ? (2)

DTLF SG1

Technical support

DTLF

Team 1 Data

Team 2 Functional

Team 3 Technical

Team 4 Certification &

Implementation

Advice

Delegated Act (DA) Expert Group (SG 3 of DTLF) *Consultation*

Consultant Team

Implementing Act (IA) Committee (DTTF Committee eFTI)

Vote

IA on functional & technical specifications for authorities' systems (by Feb 2023)

European Commission

DA on national requirements

& eFTI data set (by Feb 2023)

IA on functional & technical specifications for eFTI platforms & service providers (by Aug 2023)

DA on rules for certification of eFTI platforms & service providers (by March 2024)

Adoption



Expected impacts of eFTI Regulation implementation







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eFTI Regulation

eFTI Regulation impact assessment



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Expert group register: DTLF



Thank you

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