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Cabotage in Austria

Starting from May 14th 2010 articles 8 and 9 of the EU regulation No. 1072/2009 will enter into force. Any haulier who is holder of a Community license and whose driver, if he is a national of a third country, holds a driver attestation is entitled to carry out cabotage under the following conditions:

Once the goods carried in the course of an incoming international carriage have been delivered, hauliers are permitted to carry out, with the same vehicle, or, in the case of a coupled combination, the motor vehicle of that same vehicle, up to 3 cabotage operations following the international carriage from another Member State or from a third country to the host Member State. The last unloading in the course of a cabotage operation before leaving the host Member State shall take place within 7 days from the last unloading in the host Member State in the course of the incoming international carriage.

Within the time limit stated above, hauliers may carry out some or all of the cabotage operations in any Member State under the condition that they are limited to one cabotage operation per Member State within 3 days of the unladen entry into the territory of that Member State.

Articles 8 and 9 of the EU regulation No. 1072/2009 stipulate that each haulier wanting to carry out cabotage, has to carry within the vehicle clear evidence of the incoming international carriage and of each consecutive cabotage operation carried out and has to produce it in case of control.

Evidence shall comprise the following details for each operation:

- a) the name, address and signature of the sender;
- b) the name, address and signature of the haulier;
- c) the name and address of the consignee as well as his signature and the date of delivery once the goods have been delivered;
- d) the place and date of taking over of the goods have been delivered;
- e) the description in common use of the nature of the goods and the method of packing;
- f) the gross mass of the goods or their quantity otherwise expressed;
- g) the number plates of the motor vehicle and trailer

Each document or evidence is sufficient, which contains the data enumerated above.

A suitable evidence for cabotage in Austria can be anyhow an accordingly filled out CMR - waybill or an inspection sheet (Kontrollblatt) published by the BMVIT, which is available online at <http://www.bmvit.gv.at/verkehr/strasse/personengueter/kabotage/index.html> for download.

These new regulations are applicable in relation to all EU and EEA states with exception of Romania and Bulgaria, for which up to 2012 cabotage is not allowed.