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✓ State of Implementation
✓ E-business provisions
✓ Support

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State of Implementation
Current ratification status

- 141 Ratifications
- 86.0%
Current overall implementation

60.5%
Rate of implementation commitments to date
Implementation Rate of Developing Countries by Region

Share of Categories A, B, C by region

Based on % of all notifiable article items

Africa
Asia & the Pacific
Caribbean
Commonwealth of Independent ...
Europe
Latin America
Middle East

%
Top 5 measures with highest implementation rate

Based on implementation commitments by all WTO Members

- Art. 9 – Movement of goods
- Art. 10.5 – Preshipment inspection
- Art. 10.6 – Use of customs brokers
- Art. 5.2 – Detention
- Art. 10.9 – Temporary admissions

Rate of implementation commitments today
Rate of implementation commitments requiring additional time and assistance

Bottom 5 measures with lowest implementation rate

Based on implementation commitments by all WTO Members

- Art. 7.6 – Average release times
- Art. 3 – Advance rulings
- Art. 5.3 – Test procedures
- Art. 7.7 – Authorized operators
- Art. 10.4 – Single window

Rate of implementation commitments requiring additional time
Rate of implementation commitments yet to be designated
Timeline of Implementation Commitments
TACB Needs

Human Resources & Training

Legislative & Regulatory Framework

Information & Communication Technology

Institutional Procedures

Infrastructure & Equipment

Diagnostic & Needs Assessment

Awareness Raising
TFA E-Business Provisions
Streamline and simplify formalities & document requirements to reduce time and cost.
Taking into account:

- Business practices
- Availability of techniques & technology
- International best practice
- etc.

Electronic origin certificates ephyto
TFA Provisions and Electronic Business

- Internet publication
- Advance rulings
- Pre-arrival processing
- Risk management
- Electronic payment
- Single window
### Article 10.4 – Single Window

**25 Members have notified in Category A**

1. Brazil  
2. Brunei Darussalam  
3. Central African Republic  
4. Chile  
5. Colombia  
6. Costa Rica  
7. Georgia  
8. Guatemala  
9. Hong Kong, China  
10. Indonesia  
11. Israel  
12. Korea, Republic of  
13. Malaysia  
14. Mexico  
15. North Macedonia  
16. Oman  
17. Paraguay  
18. Qatar  
19. Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of  
20. Senegal  
21. Singapore  
22. Chinese Taipei  
23. Thailand  
24. Turkey  
25. Uruguay

**9 Members have notified in Category B**

1. Argentina  
2. Bahrain, Kingdom of  
3. China  
4. India  
5. Macao, China  
6. Peru  
7. Rwanda  
8. South Africa  
9. Togo

**59 Members have notified in Category C**

1. Afghanistan  
2. Albania  
3. Angola  
4. Armenia  
5. Bangladesh  
6. Barbados  
7. Belize  
8. Bolivia, Plurinational State of  
9. Botswana  
10. Cambodia  
11. Chad  
12. Cuba  
13. Dominica  
14. Dominican Republic  
15. Ecuador  
16. El Salvador  
17. Eswatini, Kingdom of  
18. Fiji  
19. Gambia, The  
20. Grenada  
21. Guatemala  
22. Guyana  
23. Honduras  
24. Jamaica  
25. Jordan  
26. Kazakhstan  
27. Kyrgyz Republic  
28. Lao People’s Democratic Republic  
29. Lesotho  
30. Madagascar  
31. Malawi  
32. Mali  
33. Mauritius  
34. Moldova, Republic of  
35. Mongolia  
36. Montenegro  
37. Morocco  
38. Mozambique  
39. Myanmar  
40. Nepal  
41. Nicaragua  
42. Niger  
43. Nigeria  
44. Pakistan  
45. Philippines  
46. Saint Kitts and Nevis  
47. Saint Lucia  
48. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines  
49. Samoa  
50. Seychelles  
51. Sierra Leone  
52. Solomon Islands  
53. Sri Lanka  
54. Tonga  
55. Trinidad and Tobago  
56. Ukraine  
57. Vanuatu  
58. Viet Nam  
59. Zambia
Single Window

Share of Categories A, B, C

Based on % of all notifiable article items – 10.4 – Single window

- A – 19.6%
- B – 7.2%
- C – 46.8%
- Not yet notified – 26.4%

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### Article 7.2 – Electronic payment

**55 Members have notified in Category A**

1. Angola
2. Antigua and Barbuda
3. Argentina
4. Bolivia, Plurinational State of
5. Botswana
6. Brazil
7. Brunei Darussalam
8. Chile
9. China
10. Colombia
11. Costa Rica
12. Dominica
13. Dominican Republic
14. El Salvador
15. Eswatini, Kingdom of
16. Georgia
17. Guatemala
18. Guyana
19. Honduras
20. Hong Kong, China
21. India
22. Indonesia
23. Israel
24. Jordan
25. Korea, Republic of
26. Kuwait, the State of
27. Macao, China
28. Malawi
29. Malaysia
30. Mauritius
31. Mexico
32. Moldova, Republic of
33. Montenegro
34. Morocco
35. Mozambique
36. Namibia
37. Nicaragua
38. North Macedonia
39. Oman
40. Paraguay
41. Peru
42. Philippines
43. Qatar
44. Rwanda
45. Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of
46. Senegal
47. Singapore
48. South Africa
49. Sri Lanka
50. Chinese Taipei
51. Thailand
52. Tonga
53. Turkey
54. United Arab Emirates
55. Uruguay

**17 Members have notified in Category B**

1. Afghanistan
2. Albania
3. Armenia
4. Bahrain, Kingdom of
5. Bangladesh
6. Barbados
7. Belize
8. Cuba
9. Ecuador
10. Fiji
11. Kazakhstan
12. Lesotho
13. Mongolia
14. Nigeria
15. Saint Lucia
16. Vanuatu
17. Viet Nam

**23 Members have notified in Category C**

1. Cambodia
2. Chad
3. Gambia, The
4. Grenada
5. Jamaica
6. Kyrgyz Republic
7. Lao People’s Democratic Republic
8. Madagascar
9. Mali
10. Myanmar
11. Nepal
12. Niger
13. Pakistan
14. Saint Kitts and Nevis
15. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
16. Samoa
17. Seychelles
18. Sierra Leone
19. Solomon Islands
20. Togo
21. Trinidad and Tobago
22. Ukraine
23. Zambia
Electronic Payment

Share of Categories A, B, C

Based on % of all notifiable article items – 7.2 – Electronic payment

- A – 44.0%
- B – 13.6%
- C – 18.4%
- Not yet notified – 24.0%

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Support
National Trade Facilitation Committee

Use of International Standards
Within the United Nations, the UNECE serves as the focal point for the development of UN recommendations and standards in trade facilitation and electronic business. These recommendations and standards support both commercial and government business processes with the aim of fostering growth in international trade and related services. This work is carried out by the UNECE’s United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT), which has a global remit and is open to participation from all UN member States. UN/CEFACT supports activities dedicated to improving the ability of business, trade and administrative organizations, from developed, developing and transition economies, to exchange products and relevant services effectively. Its principal focus is on facilitating national and international transactions through the simplification and harmonization of processes, procedures and information flows, and so contributing to the growth of global commerce.

All UNECE trade facilitation recommendations and standards are freely available.

One very valuable tool that UNECE has developed is the Trade Facilitation Implementation Guide (TFIG). This is a one-stop shop, in 5 languages, where policymakers and implementers can find essential trade facilitation information from more than 10 organizations. This web-based interactive tool also includes a section where users can directly link from each article and measure under the WTO trade facilitation Agreement to the tools and trade facilitation instruments for supporting implementation that are available from both the UNECE and other international organizations. To reflect the cross-organisational nature of the TTSG and the cooperation that it has fostered, the Guide is in the process of being transformed into the United Nations’ TFIG (with the maintenance and updating continuing to be ensured by UNECE).

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Partnership in variety of ways

- Annex D+

- Partner in events:
  - UNECE Single Window
  - WTO Advanced course for Chairs of NTFCs
  - TFA for CEFTA countries
  - International/Africa Forum for NTFCs
  - National Needs Assessments

- Global Survey on TF & Paperless Trade - Reg commissions
- WTO MC11 side event: "Advancing TF & Paperless Trade For Sustainable Growth"
- Distribution of materials: A4T and WTO Public Forum
Thank you!
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