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Unique European Identification Number (Unique ID)

The Unique ID is a number which has the purpose to uniquely identify any hull used on inland waterways throughout its entire lifetime. It is an 8 digit numerical number

General template for the Unique ID:

current Rhine Vessel Number							
A	A	A	x	x	x	x	x
Code of the official party that assigns the Unique ID			Serial number				
Unique ID – remains invariable throughout the existence of the hull							

Official party AAA: three-digit code according to the following number ranges

xxxxx: five-digit serial number

Proposed numbering system for the official party

- 001 – 019 France
- 020 – 039 Netherlands
- 040 – 059 Germany
- 060 – 069 Belgium
- 070 – 079 Switzerland
- 080 – 099 reserved for craft from countries that are not party to the treaty of Mannheim and for which a Rhine Vessel certificate has been issued before the entering into force of this Directive
- 100 – 119 Norway
- 120 – 139 Denmark
- 140 – 159 United Kingdom
- 160 – 169 Iceland
- 170 – 179 Ireland
- 180 – 189 Portugal
- 190 – 199 reserved
- 200 – 219 Luxembourg
- 220 – 239 Finland
- 240 – 259 Poland
- 260 – 269 Estonia
- 270 – 279 Lithuania
- 280 – 289 Latvia
- 290 – 299 reserved
- 300 – 309 Austria

310 – 314	Sweden
315 – 319	Liechtenstein
320 – 329	Czech Republic
330 – 339	Slovakia
340 – 349	Hungary
350 – 359	Croatia
360 – 369	Serbia and Montenegro
370 – 379	Bosnia-Herzegovina
380 – 399	reserved
400 – 419	Russian Federation
420 – 439	Ukraine
440 – 449	Belarus
450 – 459	Moldova
460 – 469	Romania
470 – 479	Bulgaria
480 – 489	Georgia
490 – 499	reserved
500 – 519	Turkey
520 – 539	Greece
540 – 549	Cyprus
550 – 559	Albania
560 – 569	Macedonia
570 – 579	Slovenia
580 – 599	reserved
600 – 619	Italy
620 – 639	Spain
640 – 649	Andorra
650 – 659	Malta
660 – 669	Monaco
670 – 679	Gibraltar
680 – 999	reserved

Special provision for vessels with an IMO number

Maritime vessels with an IMO number may only be assigned with an European Unique ID, when the vessel is equipped with an additional certificate for inland navigation (e.g. certificate in accordance with the directive 82/714/EG revised of the European Union or the Rhine Inspection Rules). The European Unique ID consists of the number 9 followed by the IMO number in this case.

Transitional provision for vessels with a Rhine vessel number

Hulls, which have already a valid 7 digit vessel number in accordance with the Rhine Inspection Rules at the date of application, are assigned with an European Unique ID consisting of the number 0 followed by the vessel number.
