

# **Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR) and its Protocols**

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# CMR

## At a glance



- To facilitate international road transport through a commonly agreed transport contract (consignment note), which sets the framework for claims and actions against a carrier in the event of the loss of the goods or if there is a delay.
- A consignment note is proof of the carriage contract between sender and carrier and is valid in a court of law.
- Concerns private law.
- There are 11 mandatory particulars that determine the status of a consignment note (article 6 of CMR)



### 56 Contracting Parties\*

- Open to States members of UNECE and those who qualify per paras 8 and 11 of ToR of the Commission)



# Additional Protocol to the CMR concerning the electronic consignment note

At a glance



- e-CMR facilitates/legitimises the use of electronic consignment notes in place of paper ones.
- Accession only possible for countries that are already contracting parties to CMR
- A very short convention – 16 articles of which 5 articles relate to the operationalization of e-CMR
- (1) Data integrity and (2) Agreement on procedures and implementation between the parties are the two core elements needed to operationalize e-CMR
- Guidance note on the legal aspects of e-CMR
- UN/CEFACT technical standards (for data sets)



### 23 Contracting Parties\*

- Open to States which are a CP to CMR and members of UNECE or those who qualify per paras 8 and 11 of ToR of the Commission)



# Thank you

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