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Use of additional guarantees

Note by the secretariat

I. Background

1. The Board may also wish to be informed by the IRU on the status of the TIR+ project, which aims at facilitating TIR operations by providing an additional financial guarantee of EUR 100,000 to the Customs Authorities of the Eurasian Customs Union (Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation) through the International Road Transport Union and its member TIR Associations and is presented in the documents reproduced in Annex¹.



¹ Available at : http://www.tirplus.org

Annex





TIR+ facilitates TIR operations by providing an additional financial guarantee of EUR 100,000 to the Customs Authorities of the Eurasian Customs Union (Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation) through the International Road Transport Union and its member TIR Associations in addition to the guarantee of the TIR Carnet (i.e. EUR 60,000)

WHAT IS TIR+?

- TIR+ is a secure guarantee voucher provided by IRU and distributed to authorised TIR Carnet holders only.
- TIR+ is available to all transport operators using the TIR system.
- TIR+ means an additional guarantee of EUR 100,000 for Customs Authorities in addition to the guarantee provided by the TIR Carnet (total amount of guarantee provided for customs taxes and duties = EUR 160,000).
- Customs can check the validity of the TIR+ voucher and the TIR Carnet online on www.cutewise.org
- The TIR+ voucher can be activated in one click through a simple dedicated website www.tirplus.net

ADVANTAGES FOR TIR CARNET HOLDERS

- Savings (by replacing high-cost escorts and other national sureties)
- Time saving
- The TIR+ procedure is similar to TIR operations and, therefore, well-known to TIR Carnet holders and all other stakeholders.
- The TIR+ procedure is very simple: minimum steps required due to 100% secure control ensured by an online registration process.
- Flexibility: the TIR+ voucher can be activated anytime and anywhere before arriving at or while crossing the border.
- No additional paper work is required.

How to use it

Rules and actions for the TIR Carnet holder

- 1. The holder has to sign a specific agreement with his TIR Issuing Association.
- 2. The Holder can use a "TIR+" voucher issued exclusively to him together with a valid TIR Carnet during the part of the transport of goods under customs control, which takes place within the customs territory of the Eurasian Customs Union. The Eurasian Customs Union comprises the territory of Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation. Any reduction or extension in the list of countries covered shall be notified in writing by the TIR Issuing Association to the holder.
- 3. Only one "TIR+" voucher can be linked to any valid TIR Carnet.
- A "TIR+" voucher can be obtained from the national TIR Association, from a foreign TIR Association or from a third party duly authorised by the national TIR Association.
- It is strictly forbidden to resell or transmit any "TIR+" voucher issued to a holder to any other TIR Carnet holders or any other third party.
- The holder shall ensure that the "TIR+" voucher is registered on <u>www.tirplus.net</u> with the TIR Carnet before presentation to or at the customs office of entry/departure on the territory of the Eurasian Customs Union.

Rules and actions for the Association

- The Association issues "TIR+" vouchers to authorised TIR Carnet holders who have signed a specific agreement with their Issuing Association.
- The Association may issue "TIR+" vouchers through its remote issuing offices.
- The Association may issue "TIR+" vouchers through authorised third parties that have signed a specific agreement.
- 4. The Association may issue "TIR+" vouchers to foreign TIR Carnet holders.
- The Association may assist TIR Carnet holders in lodging a pre-declaration through the IRU TIR-EPD application for each transport, for which a "TIR+" voucher is used, before presentation of the TIR Carnet to the customs.
- The Association can suspend the issuance of TIR Carnets and / or "TIR+" vouchers to an authorised holder in the event of a claim being made or any customs irregularity in connection with the use of the "TIR+" voucher.

Where can it be obtained?

Duly authorised TIR Carnet holders can obtain a "TIR+" €100,000 voucher from their Issuing Association, as well as from National Associations that distribute TIR carnets.

Please contact your national association for more information at following email address: <u>tirplus.support@iru.org</u>.