PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL OF ROAD VEHICLES

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LEGAL BASIS

General provisions

• Chapter III (a), Articles 12 - 14

Road vehicles

• Technical regulations: Annex 2
• Procedure for approval: Annex 3
• Certificate of approval: Annex 4

Containers

• Technical regulations: Annex 7, Parts I and III
• Procedure for approval: Annex 7, Part II
• Approval plate: Annex 7, Part II, Appendix 1
Approval Certificate
of a road vehicle for the transport of goods
under Customs seal

Certificate No ……………….
DEFINED BY NATIONAL LEGISLATION:

- Customs
- Ministry of Transport
- An authorized private company

APPROVAL AUTHORITIES
TWO PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL

• Individually or

• By design type (series of road vehicles)
PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL: COMMON POINTS

• Approval certificate is issued for all approved vehicles
• If the owner has changed, the certificate remains valid
• Vehicles are produced every two years for inspection and renewal of approval
• If a vehicle no longer complies with the technical regulations, it should be restored to the original condition
• If the essential features are changed, the vehicle must be re-approved
APPROVAL BY DESIGN TYPE: FEATURES

• Granted by the competent authorities of the country of construction at request of the manufacturer

• When a vehicle is exported to another country, no additional approval is required

• Holder fills in item 1 (registration No.) or, in some cases, item 8 (name and business address) on the approval certificate
APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

• Model in Annex 4

• Format A3 folded in two

• Printed in the language of the country of issue and in French or English

• Photo or diagrams may be attached (authenticated by the issuing authority). Their number is indicated under item 6

• Number of seals, if more than one, is indicated under item 5

• Original must be kept on the road vehicle
MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF APPROVAL

• Contracting Parties recognize the validity of the approval granted in other Contracting Parties

• However, they reserve the right to refuse to recognize the approval of road vehicles which do not meet the TIR technical conditions

• Contracting Parties shall avoid delaying traffic when the defects found are of minor importance and do not involve any risk of smuggling
DEFECTS AND THEIR RECTIFICATION: ENDORSEMENT

• If a major defect is found, the competent authority may either refuse the vehicle to continue or allow to do so under the necessary precautions. In any case, before a new TIR transport the defect should be rectified.

• Defects are indicated under item 10 of the approval certificate, while their rectification is endorsed under item 11.

• Items 10 and 11 may be filled in by different competent authorities.

• Unless the endorsement in item 10 has been cancelled, the vehicle may not be used again for the TIR procedure.