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REGULATION (EEC) No 2313/69 OF THE COMMISSION

of 19 November 1969

on the internal Community transit document for certifying the Community nature of goods

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 542/69[1] of 18 March 1969 on Community transit, and in particular Articles 58 and 60 thereof;

Whereas in cases falling within Articles 2 (2), 7 (3) and 47 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 542/69, the sole purpose of the internal Community transit document is to certify the Community nature of the goods to which it refers;

Whereas the document will best suit its purpose if it differs from the T2 model only by the incorporation of necessary alterations; whereas to prevent falsification the new T2 form must have a printed guilloche pattern background;

Whereas when in the course of a Community transit operation, carriage is effected through the territory of a third country, carriage through that third country must, in accordance with Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 542/69, be covered by a single transport document made out in a Member State; whereas it is appropriate to subject the use of the T2L document to the same conditions;

Whereas in order to avoid as far as possible fraudulent use of T2L documents, care should be taken to certify them only if it is likely that they will actually be used;

Whereas the proper operation of the provisions relating to the free circulation of goods requires the production of the T2L document, in the Member State of destination at the customs office where the goods are placed under a customs procedure other than that under which they arrived, even if they are not entered for home use until later;

Whereas it is desirable to safeguard further the use of form T2L by introducing a system of subsequent control;

Whereas the provisions laid down in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Committee on Community Transit;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The internal Community transit document to be used for certifying the Community nature of goods which are not carried under the Community transit system, shall be made out in a single copy on a T2L form.

T2L forms shall be issued as from 1 January 1970.

Article 2

1. T2L forms shall conform to the specimen in the Annex to this Regulation.

2. The paper used shall be white, free of mechanical pulp, dressed for writing purposes and weigh between 55 and 65 g/m². It shall have a printed guilloche pattern background in green such as to reveal any falsification by mechanical or chemical means.

3. The size of the form shall be 210 × 297 mm; the line spacing being 4·24 mm (1/6th of an inch); the layout of the form shall be strictly observed.

4. Member States shall be responsible for having the forms printed. The forms may also be printed by printers appointed by the Member State in which they are established, in which case, each T2L form shall make reference to the appointment. Each form shall bear the name and address of the printer or a mark enabling the printer to be identified. It shall also bear an individual serial number.

[1] OJ No L 77, 29.3.1969, p. 1.

Article 3

T2L forms shall be printed and completed in one of the official languages of the Community to be designated by the competent authorities of the Member State of departure. The competent authorities of the Member State in which the document is produced may, where necessary, require it to be translated into the official language or one of the official languages of that Member State.

Article 4

The T2L document may be used for the purpose of certifying the Community nature of the goods to which it refers only if such goods are transported directly from one Member State to another.

The following shall be regarded as directly transported from one Member State to another:

(a) goods transported without passing through the territory of a non-Member country;

(b) goods transported through the territory of one or more non-Member countries provided that carriage through such countries is covered by a single transport document made out in a Member State.

Article 5

1. The T2L document shall be issued for goods falling within Article 1 (3) (a) and (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 542/69. It shall not be issued for goods:

— which are intended for export outside the Community; or

— in respect of which the customs formalities for exportation have been carried out with a view to granting refunds upon exportation to third countries within the framework of the common agricultural policy; or

— in packagings which do not fall within any of the categories specified in Article 1 (3) (a) and (b) of Regulation (EEC) No 542/69.

2. The T2L document shall be stamped by the customs authorities of the Member State of departure on application by the person concerned. It shall be delivered to him as soon as the customs formalities connected with the forwarding of the goods to the Member State of destination have been completed.

3. When the T2L document is issued retroactively it shall be endorsed with one of the following phrases in red:

'Délivré a posteriori'
'Nachträglich ausgestellt'
'Rilasciato a posteriori'
'Achteraf afgegeven'.

Article 6

1. The T2L document shall be produced at the customs office where the goods are to be entered to a customs procedure other than that under which they arrived.

2. Where the goods have been transported by sea, air or pipeline the T2L document shall be produced at the customs office at which the goods are placed under a customs procedure.

Article 7

Member States shall render one another mutual assistance in checking the authenticity of T2L documents and the correctness of the information which they contain.

Article 8

1. In the case of goods which may benefit from a refund upon exportation to third countries granted within the framework of the common agricultural policy and which are routed to the Member State of destination, otherwise than by air, in such a way that part of the journey is effected outside the customs territory of the Community, the T2L document shall be made out in triplicate. The original and one copy shall be delivered to the person concerned and the second copy shall be retained by the issuing office.

2. In the Member State of destination, the person concerned shall produce at the office referred to in Article 6 the original and the copy delivered to him. That office shall send the copy to the issuing office for verification purposes and shall be notified of the result only if some irregularity is revealed.

Article 9

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 November 1969.

For the Commission
The President
Jean REY

ANNEX

T2L INTERNAL
COMMUNITY TRANSIT DOCUMENT
FOR CERTIFYING THE
COMMUNITY NATURE OF GOODS

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See notes overleaf

10. Declaration: .....
represented by .....
declares that the goods described below are Community goods.

At ..... (place) on ..... (date)

(Signature) .....

30. Number, kind, marks and number of packages	31. Description of goods		
32.		36. Gross weight	

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32.		36. Gross weight	

CUSTOMS CERTIFICATE
Satisfied declaration correct

Export document: type ..... No..... Date.....

Customs office at .....

Remarks .....

Official Stamp

Date ..... 19.....

.....
(Signature)

REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION OF THIS T2L DOCUMENT

The undersigned customs officer requests that the authenticity of this document and the accuracy of the information contained herein be verified.

Official Stamp

At ..... on ..... 19 .....
(place) (date)

.....
(Signature)

RESULT OF VERIFICATION

The verification carried out by the undersigned customs officer has shown that this document:

1. was duly issued by the customs office named and that the information contained therein is correct[1];
2. does not satisfy the requirements as to conditions of authenticity and regularity (see remarks annexed hereto)[1].

Official Stamp

At ..... on ..... 19 .....
(place) (date)

.....
(Signature)

[1] Delete as necessary.

I. Rules for completion of the T2L document

A. A single T2L document shall be made out only for goods dispatched by one means of transport for carriage from one office of departure to one office of destination.

B. The T2L document may be used for the purpose of establishing the Community nature of goods to which it refers only where such goods are transported directly from one Member State to another.

The following shall be regarded as directly transported from one Member State to another:

(a) goods transported without passing through the territory of a non-member country;

(b) goods transported through the territory of one or more non-member countries provided that carriage through such countries is covered by a single transport document made out in a Member State.

C. The form shall be completed legibly and indelibly, preferably typed, without erasures or superimposed corrections.

Any alterations shall be made by crossing out the incorrect information and by adding the required information as appropriate.

Any such alteration shall be authenticated by the person making it and countersigned by the customs authorities.

D. Only the following items are to be completed:

1. When the goods are transported under the TIR or TIF Conventions, or the Rhine Manifesto systems, or are covered by an ECS or ATA Carnet, the indication 'TIR', 'TIF', 'Rhine Manifesto', 'ECS' or 'ATA' should be entered as the case may be, followed by the date of issue and the number of the document relating to the system used.

10. Enter the surname and forenames or name of firm, and address of the person concerned and, if applicable, of the representative.

Where the form is signed by a person duly authorised, his name shall be shown in block letters.

30. In respect of goods which are not packed, indicate the number of articles, or if appropriate enter as loose goods.

31. The goods shall be described by their usual commercial name, or in accordance with the tariff nomenclature.

32. This refers to the weight as shown in the commercial documents relating to the consignment. The weight is to be specified in kilogrammes. Gross weight means the total weight of the goods and all packing material. All outside and inside containers, packings, wrappings and supports are regarded as packing; this excludes transport equipment, in particular containers, and sheets, tackle, covers and other transport accessories.

II. Production of T2L documents at customs

The T2L document shall be produced at the customs office where the goods are to be entered to a customs procedure other than that under which they arrived.

If the goods have been transported by sea, air or pipeline, the T2L document shall be produced at the customs office at which the goods are placed under a customs procedure.