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Subject: Tachograph - Implementation from 1-1-2025 of the obligation for vehicles carrying an analogue or digital non-smart tachograph and circulating in an EU Member State other than the Member State of their registration to be equipped with a version 2 smart tachograph

Related documents: The ref No. 170428/9-8-2024 (ADA ΨΒΜΧ465ΧΘΞ-ΤΘ7) circular "Obligation to install a 2nd edition smart tachograph in vehicles transporting goods or passengers that circulate in a Member State other than the Member State of registration"

1. According to Article 3(4) of Regulation (EU) 165/2014, from 1-1-2025, vehicles for the transport of goods and passengers falling within the provisions of this Regulation and circulating in a Member State of the European Union (EU) other than the Member State of their registration, must have replaced their analogue or digital tachograph with a smart tachograph of the 2nd edition (see relevant circular).

2. Following a consultation between EU Member States, which took into account that timely compliance by companies is experiencing difficulties, some of which are not due to their fault, EU Member States and the European Commission have reached a consensus for a period of two (2) months, from 1 January 2025 to 28 February 2025, during which roadside checks in all Member States will focus on informing and educating companies about the obligation to install a smart tachograph version 2 instead of imposing sanctions. The text of the above policy 2 agreement is posted on the website of the Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport (DG MOVE) of the European Commission under the link Tachographs - European Commission and here.

3. Following the above, until 28 February 2025, when it is established during a roadside inspection that the company has not complied with the obligation to replace the tachograph, the inspection authorities, instead of imposing the prescribed sanctions, will inform the driver about the obligation to comply immediately. From 1 March 2025, in the event of a violation, the sanctions provided for by each national law will be imposed.

We ask the road inspection authorities to provide instructions to their inspection bodies so that the above can be implemented at European level. Representatives of transport associations are asked to urgently inform their members.

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