Transport of goods by inland waterway: freedom to provide services

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OBJECTIVE: to contribute to the completion of the internal market for transport by inland waterway. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 96/1356 on common rules applicable to the transport of goods or passengers by inland waterway between Member States with a view to establishing freedom to provide such transport services. SUBSTANCE: the Regulation provides a legal guarantee for free access to inland waterways for transport companies in the Member States of the Community between and through Member States. The Regulation does not affect the existing rights of third-country operators under the revised Convention for the Navigation of the Rhine (Mannheim Convention), the Convention on Navigation on the Danube (Belgrade Convention) or the rights arising from the European Community's international obligations. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 2 August 1996.