

# Road transport: recording equipment, tachograph

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Adopting the report by Mr WIJSENBEEK, the European Parliament approved the proposal. It considered that on-board computers were without doubt the most appropriate instrument because they allowed both standard data on the speed and length of the journey to be recorded together with working times, fuel consumption and driving performance. However, it considered that the solution recommended by the Commission, i.e. to install a "driver card", should also be retained. Parliament called for entrepreneurs who so wished to be allowed to install leading-edge equipment without being obliged to maintain or install a tachograph with the addition of a "driver card". The European Parliament also called for Member States to ensure that digital data on the driver was stored and transmitted using a system which guaranteed data security and accuracy. It would also be prohibited to falsify, suppress or destroy data recorded on the record sheet or stored in the recording equipment or on the driver card. As far as the committee assisting the Commission is concerned, the European Parliament called for a committee made up of representatives of equipment manufacturers, employers and employees in the transport sector, rather than an advisory committee of national officials. Finally, the Commission was called on to submit a report to the European Parliament and the Council on the technical feasibility of electronic recording and processing apparatus for road transport monitoring and the possibility of introducing such apparatus by the year 2000.