





Basic information	
2007/0037A(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	Procedure completed
Inland transport: abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions (amend. Regulation No 11, in implementation Art. 79(3) TEC) Subject 2.60 Competition 3.20 Transport policy in general 3.45.08 Business environment, reduction of the administrative burdens	

Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible		Rapporteur	Appointed
	TRAN Transport and Tourism		COSTA Paolo (ALDE)	26/03/2007
	Committee for opinion		Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	ENVI Environment, Public Health and Food Safety		The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration		Meetings	Date
	Transport, Telecommunications and Energy		2877	2008-06-12
European Commission	Commission DG		Commissioner	
	Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs		VERHEUGEN Günter	

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
24/01/2007	Additional information		Summary
06/03/2007	Legislative proposal published	COM(2007)0090 	Summary
29/03/2007	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
18/12/2007	Vote in committee		Summary
20/12/2007	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0513/2007	

14/01/2008	Debate in Parliament		
15/01/2008	Decision by Parliament	T6-0003/2008	Summary
15/01/2008	Results of vote in Parliament		
12/06/2008	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
12/06/2008	End of procedure in Parliament		
20/06/2008	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2007/0037A(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 152-p4b EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 095
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TRAN/6/46915

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE394.074	30/10/2007	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0513/2007	20/12/2007	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0003/2008	15/01/2008	Summary
European Commission				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Legislative proposal	COM(2007)0090 	06/03/2007	Summary	
Document attached to the procedure	SEC(2007)0303 	06/03/2007		
Document attached to the procedure	SEC(2007)0304 	06/03/2007		
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	SP(2008)1176	27/02/2008		

Additional information	

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act
Regulation 2008/0569 OJ L 161 20.06.2008, p. 0001 Summary

Inland transport: abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions (amend. Regulation No 11, in implementation Art. 79(3) TEC)

2007/0037A(CNS) - 12/06/2008 - Final act

PURPOSE: to amend Regulation No 11 concerning the abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions, by removing outdated documentation.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Regulation (EC) No 569/2008 amending Regulation No 11 concerning the abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions, in implementation of Article 79(3) of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community.

CONTENT: this Regulation aims to amend Regulation No 11 to reduce administrative burdens on businesses by the removal of outdated and unnecessary requirements. This refers particularly to the requirement that certain information which, as a result of technical progress, is now available in carriers' accounting systems be retained on paper.

This Regulation is part of a package comprising ten concrete proposals for "**fast track action**" were identified the Action Programme for reducing administrative burdens in the EU (see the summary dated 27/01/2007).

The "fast track actions" aim at significantly reducing administrative burdens on businesses through minor legislative changes without challenging the level of protection or the original purpose of the legislation.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 10/07/2008.

Inland transport: abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions (amend. Regulation No 11, in implementation Art. 79(3) TEC)

2007/0037A(CNS) - 15/01/2008 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a legislative resolution based on the report drafted by Paolo **COSTA** (ALDE, PT) amending, under the 1st reading of the codecision procedure, the proposal for a regulation amending Regulation No 11 concerning the abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions, in implementation of Article 79(3) of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community and Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs -transport aspects.

The resolution was adopted by 669 votes for, 4 against, and 7 abstentions.

Following the decision of the Conference of Presidents of 5 July 2007, Parliament's amendments deleted provisions related to the hygiene of foodstuffs. The legal base is now Article 75(3), and reference to Article 95 and Article 152(4)(b) has been deleted.

Inland transport: abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions (amend. Regulation No 11, in implementation Art. 79(3) TEC)

2007/0037A(CNS) - 06/03/2007 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to amend **Regulation No 11** concerning the abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions, by removing outdated documentation and to amend Regulation 852/2004/EC on the hygiene of foodstuffs by excluding micro-enterprises from the requirement of maintaining permanent procedures based on the HACCP principles.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CONTENT: on 14 November 2006, the Commission presented a Strategic Review of Better Regulation in the EU (see [INI/2007/2095](#)), including a proposal for a target to reduce the administrative burdens on businesses by 25% by 2012. Ten concrete proposals for "fast track action" were identified in the Action Programme for reducing administrative burdens in the EU (see the summary dated 27/01/2007), based on broad stakeholder consultation and suggestions from Member States and Commission experts. The "fast track actions" aim at significantly reducing administrative burdens on businesses through minor legislative changes without challenging the level of protection or the original purpose of the legislation.

One of these "fast track action" proposals concerns **Regulation No 11** concerning the abolition of discrimination in transport rates and conditions:

- Article 5 required transport undertakings (as well as Member States' governments) to provide information on transport tariffs, rates and conditions before 1 July 1961. This Article can be deleted since the information requirements imposed on transport undertakings are outdated.

- Article 6(1) of the Regulation requires a transport document containing several information elements concerning the consignor, the nature of the goods carried, the place of origin and destination of the goods as well as the route to be taken or distance to be travelled, including frontier crossing points where appropriate. Since these latter elements i.e. the route to be taken or distance to be travelled and frontier crossing points are no longer indispensable to achieve the objectives of the Regulation, they can be deleted.

The third sentence of Article 6(2) of the Regulation requires the carrier to retain a copy showing the full and final transport charges and any other charges and any rebates or other factors affecting the transport rates and conditions. This sentence can be deleted as nowadays, this information is available in the carriers' accounting systems anyway, so there is no need for the carriers to fill out and keep a separate document anymore.

Article 6(3) will contain an explicit reference to consignment notes, which are very well known and often used in the inland transport sector, and will clarify that these consignment notes, if containing all details required by Article 6(1), suffice.

Another "fast track action" relates to **Regulation 852/2004/EC** on the hygiene of foodstuffs (see [COD/2007/0037B](#)).