Scope of Analysis in view of the Comparative Study of Cash in Transit Legislation within 25 EU Member States



General information

- This study is a follow up study of the CIT survey published in 2004
- The main focus is on the situation in the new M.S.
- General observations have been made in view of the entire E.U.

General observations for 10 new Member States since previous survey

Legal CIT definition

Yes	No
Estonia	Cyprus
Lithuania	Czech Republic
Poland	Hungary
Slovenia	Latvia
	Malta
	Slovakia

ACCESS CONDITIONS

- COMPANIES
- HOC / MANAGEMENT
- EMPLOYEES

Access conditions Companies

- Duration license :
 - Mainly 5 years
 - Some yearly renewable
 - Some indefinite
- Licensing authorities
 - Ministry of Interior
 - Police Dpt. (H.o.P.)
 - Ministry of transport
 - Local authorities
 - Sometimes combination

Access conditions HOC / Managers

- Authorization is granted by :
 - Ministry of Internal Affairs
 - Police
 - Local dep't. responsible for issuing license
- Conditions
 - Age
 - Avg. min. 18 yrs
 - No max.

Access conditions employees

- Authorities
 - Ministry of Internal Affairs
 - Chief of Police
- Conditions
 - Age limit
 - Min. 18 -21
 - Generally no max
 - Criteria of morality
 - Clean criminal record

Training

- HOC / Mgmt
 - Organised by :
 - Mainly in company training
 - Relating to :
 - Legal matters (i.e. saftey law, fire protection,
 - Technical CIT matters
 - Duration:
 - mainly non specified

new EU Member States who joined EU on

Training employees

- Organized by
 - Official institution
 - Special administration of Police Dep't or specialized organisation
 - Internal training
 - Vocational training
- Duration: varies between non specified and 320 hrs
- Content & certification
 - Theory and OJT
 - Legal issues, understanding of sector and job
 - Technical elements
 - Often descibed by responsible licensing authority
- Refreshment
 - Voluntary by company

Weapons - Employees

- Autorisation
 - 80 % of the M.S. allows
- Type of fire arms
 - Mainly small weapons or handguns
- conditions
 - Permit Itd period (avg = 5yrs) and renewable
 - Police usually issues permit
 - Clean criminal record
 - Limited to job and no private weapons

Weapons – Companies

- Autorisation
 - Ministry of Internal Affairs
 - Police
- Detaining
 - Specific requirements ie storing and carrying the weapons
- Duration
 - avg. 5 yrs

Modalities for execution of CIT activities

Nature of the transported goods

- Classic content coins, banknotes, jewels, documents, gold,...
- Generally armoured vehicle
- Armourinig level varies
- Tracking system varies from n/a to GPS

Means of communication and signalling

- Communication: mainly radio and mobile phone
- Signalling: mainly distinct markers on vehicle to allow recognition from a distance
- The available regulation mainly pertains to the size and type of signalling

Intelligent Banknotes Neutralisation System

- Cross pavement neutralisation systems are widely used
- Not regulated as a rule
- Regulations of content (amount / type) and technical description of system
- Certified for limited period of time (technological evolution)

Firearms

- Generally limited to handguns
- Usually carried by crew
- Sometimes 1 in vehicle
- Conditions are often described in weapons regulation

Security guards

- Rules imposed by transport law:
 - Driving time: avg. 8 hrs / shift
 - Working time: avg max. 12 hrs / shift
- Rules imposed by security law
 - Driving at night: generally allowed
- Collective equipment :
 - mainly unavailable
- Composition of the crew :
 - Varies and avg. 2-3 men crew
- Escort :
 - yes in some cases

Obligations to be fulfilled by the customer

Remains largely unregulated

Highway code

- Generally speaking no specific exceptions
- In some cases depending on the urgency or type of transport (ie buslanes,...)

Premisses of the CIT company

- Generally speaking no specific regulations
- Insurance requirements
- Some general requirements (fences, locking)

Obligations towards police

- General rules of collaborating with the police when invited to do so;
- Respond to request of police;
- No special regulation in this area

Specific national rules

- Organisation of itineraries
- Conditions under which the crew can leave the vehicle

Largely unregulated and left to the discretion of the company

Incidents during CIT operations

- Psychological follow up
- Social protection

Largely unregulated
Sometimes compensated in company
policy

Control and Sanctions

- Controlling bodies
 Mainly Ministery of internal affairs or the police
- Nature of sanctions
 - Withdrawal of license
 - Warning
 - Fines
 - Imprisonment

Conclusions

There is a noticeable difference in level of regulation

Mainly with respect to the organisation of the CIT transports.

General absence of specific CIT regulation as opposed to Security regulation