



# The roadworthiness package

An enforcement perspective

# Euro Contrôle Route



- Euro Contrôle Route (ECR) is a group of European road control services collaborating to improve: the quality of enforcement so as to improve road safety and the compliance to road transport regulations and to promote fair competition.
- 12 members and 4 observer countries.
- The three pillars of ECR are:
  - Training of enforcement officers
  - Exchange of data and coordinated controls
  - Harmonization of enforcement practices



# Roadworthiness package



- ▶ Seen from a purely enforcement point of view



roadworthiness: direct impact on road safety,  
focus on the roadside checks

# Roadside checks in reality



## ECR welcomes

- ▶ the move to regulation => harmonized enforcement
- ▶ the emphasis put on risk based enforcement



# Roadside check : reality



- ▶ Fewer and fewer resources for enforcement (financially and manpower)
- ▶ Multitude of different areas to be checked (ideally in 30')
- ▶ More and more legislation
- ▶ Legislation increasingly complex
  - Increased administrative burden
    - longer checks

# Enforcement concerns



- ▶ Current draft would require considerable investment in manpower and material. Difficult to realize in the current climate.
  - Extending to vehicles below 3.5 tons impossible to reach the enforcement targets with the current resources
- ▶ Wording not conducive to harmonized interpretation in all 27MS



# Cargo securing



Cargo Securing = vital element of road safety

Because of this it should be dealt with more in depth and not included in an annex.

What is needed?

- Harmonized rules for cargo securing
- Training for enforcement staff



- ▶ Cargo securing checklist
  - does not help the current problems with cargo securing enforcement
  - yet another new form increase administrative burden (and increases the duration of checks)
  - was clearly opposed during the consultation process by both enforcement and industry