

**Question for written answer E-002456/2022  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Application of the return requirement in Mobility Package I to semi-trailers

The Commission has published Q&As on the implementation of the provision for the return of trucks to their home countries every eight weeks, which was adopted together with Mobility Package I. However, some of the Commission's clarifications have raised concerns:

1. Although none of the Member States or institutions have questioned that this rule only applies to trucks classified as motor vehicles, the scope of this provision has been extended through its application not only to trucks but also to some number of trailers and semi-trailers. What is the rationale behind this interpretation that puts trailers and semi-trailers under the scope of this provision?
2. Since the requirement that trucks return to their home countries is considered one of the establishment criteria, the host country would then not be able to impose sanctions on a company established in another EU country. Could the Commission clarify if only the country in which the company is established can impose sanctions?
3. What is the maximum reference period a single inspection can cover – is it the eight weeks prior to the inspection – and how will the cases in which a vehicle cannot be returned due to objective circumstances (accidents, natural disasters, etc.) be dealt with?