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**COMMISSION DELEGATED DECISION**

**of 3.2.2012**

**amending Directive 2009/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on  
statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea**

(Text with EEA relevance)

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

### 1. CONTEXT OF THE DELEGATED ACT

Directive 2009/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea<sup>1</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EU) No 1090/2010 of the European Parliament and the Council<sup>2</sup>, provides the possibility for the Commission to adopt delegated acts for adapting the data collection characteristics and the content of Annexes I to VIII to the Directive to economic and technical developments in so far as such adaptation does not involve a substantial increase in cost for Member States and/or in the burden for respondents.

Directive 2009/42/EC allows the regular production of maritime transport statistics at European level. These statistics support the European Transport Policy.<sup>3</sup>

The objective of this delegated act is to keep the statistical output in line with user needs, by simplifying statistics on vessel traffic and paving the way to compile more relevant statistics on maritime transport of goods.

A technical analysis of the data collected under the European legislation on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea and of the dissemination policy has been carried out at European level, in order to propose possible technical solutions to simplify, as much as possible, the various activities necessary for the statistical production, while keeping the final output in line with present and foreseeable user needs.

During this analysis, account has been taken of the possibility of using the resources devoted to statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea more efficiently, by concentrating activities in areas identified by users as more important (statistics on goods) than others (statistics on passengers and on vessel traffic).

As a result of this analysis, simplifications in the statistics on both passenger transport in the main European ports and vessel traffic in the main European ports were recently adopted<sup>4</sup>, while the collection of statistics on seaborne transport in the main European ports by type of goods (dataset B1) was made mandatory.

The purpose of this delegated act is to complete the reform of maritime transport statistics by further simplifying statistics on vessel traffic, modifying the type of cargo classification to make statistical output more relevant for multi-modal transport analysis, and enabling statistics on "Ro-Ro containers"<sup>5</sup> to be collected on a voluntary basis. Lastly, the nomenclature on maritime coastal areas is adapted to technical developments.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 141, 6.6.2009, p.29.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 325, 9.12.2010, p.1.

<sup>3</sup> White paper 2011 "Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area – Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system", COM(2011) 144, 28.3.2011.

<sup>4</sup> Commission Decision 2010/216/EU of 14 April 2010, amending Directive 2009/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea, OJ L 94, 15.4.2010, p.33

<sup>5</sup> "Ro-Ro container cargo" means containers with or without cargo loaded on Ro-Ro units which are then rolled on and rolled off the vessels which carry them by sea. "Ro-Ro units" means wheeled equipment

This delegated act does not impose any substantial increase in cost for the Member States and/or in the burden on respondents.

## 2. CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE ACT

At the beginning of 2006 a Task Force on Maritime Transport Statistics was set up to carry out a technical analysis of the existing policy on data collection and dissemination, under the European legislation on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods and passengers by sea.

The Task Force included representatives from a range of organisations (data producers, users and maritime transport experts), and in particular:

- The competent National Statistical Authorities (National Statistical Institutes, National Maritime Administrations, Ministries of Transport);
- Commission services;
- The European Maritime Safety Agency;
- Economic operators: European Sea Port Organisation (ESPO), European Community Shipowners' Associations (ECSA).

In order to prepare and support the work of the Task Force, Eurostat circulated a specific questionnaire in 2006 to the main users of maritime transport statistics within the Commission, namely DG TREN (now DG MOVE), DG COMP, DG ENV, DG FISH (now DG MARE), DG JLS (now DG HOME), DG TAXUD.

The members of the Task Force on Maritime Transport Statistics were all experts with specific knowledge of the existing legislation and the national systems for collecting and compiling maritime transport statistics and new trends in the development of maritime transport.

The Task Force completed its work at the end of October 2009.

The proposals, eventually drawn up by the Task Force, were discussed in the standard framework of the European Statistical System, by the "Working Group on Maritime Transport Statistics", the "Coordinating Group for Statistics on Transport"<sup>6</sup> and, lastly either by the "European Statistical System Committee"<sup>7</sup> (for legal acts prepared according to rules and standards existing prior to the implementation of the Lisbon Treaty) or by the "meeting of Directors General of National Statistical Institutes". Both the European Parliament and the Council were duly informed.

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for carrying cargo, which can be driven or towed on to a vessel, such as shipborne port-to-port trailers, road goods vehicles (trucks, trailers, semi-trailers), rail wagons. "Shipborne port-to-port trailers" means a trailer intended to carry cargo (including containers) between two ports on Ro-Ro vessels. It is primarily designed to operate either on board of Ro-Ro vessels or in areas on land within the control of port authority. "Ro-Ro vessel" means a vessel designed to carry Ro-Ro units.

<sup>6</sup> Formerly "Coordinating Committee for Statistics on Transport"

<sup>7</sup> See article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics, OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164

This delegated act is the fourth and final component of an overall coherent package of legislative initiatives intended to keep European maritime transport statistics in line with user needs, including:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1304/2007 of 7 November 2007<sup>8</sup>, establishing the classification NST 2007 for transported goods in all the modes of transport concerned;
- Commission Decision 2010/216/EU of 14 April 2010, simplifying statistics on passenger transport and vessel traffic;
- Regulation (EU) No 1090/2010 of the European Parliament and the Council of 24 November 2010, making the collection of statistics by type of goods (data set B1) mandatory.

During the same period, the previously existing legislation also underwent a process of recasting of the basic act<sup>9</sup> and codification of the Comitology acts<sup>10</sup>; this is in line with the Commission's policy approach to the simplification of legislation and better regulation<sup>11</sup>.

### **3. LEGAL ELEMENTS OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

The objective of this delegated act is to keep the statistical output in line with user needs, by simplifying statistics on vessel traffic and paving the way to the compilation of more relevant statistics on the maritime transport of goods.

This delegated Decision of the Commission amends Annexes I, II, IV and VIII, in accordance with Article 3(4) of Directive 2009/42/EC. The delegated act has no implications for the EU budget.

The delegated act concerns an EEA matter and should therefore extend to the European Economic Area.

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<sup>8</sup> OJ L 290, 8.11.2007, p. 14.

<sup>9</sup> Directive 2009/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009, OJ L 141, 6.6.2009, p.29

<sup>10</sup> Commission Decision 2008/861/EC of 29 October 2008, OJ L 306, 15.11.2008, p. 66

<sup>11</sup> COM(2006) 689; COM(2006) 693; COM(2007) 23; COM(2008) 35; COM(2009) 28.

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(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive 2009/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009 on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea<sup>12</sup>, and in particular Article 3(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In the production of European statistics there should be a balance between the needs of the users and the burden on respondents.
- (2) A technical analysis of the existing data collected under the Union legislation on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea, and of the dissemination policy, has been carried out at European level in order to propose possible technical solutions to simplify, as much as possible, the various activities necessary for the production of statistics, while keeping the final output in line with present and foreseeable needs of users.
- (3) As a result of this analysis, the variable "direction" in the existing quarterly statistics on vessel traffic in the main European ports should be simplified, while the legal status (mandatory vs. voluntary) of the corresponding data sets F1 and F2 should be clarified.
- (4) In addition, a harmonised legal framework should be established for a voluntary collection of statistics on Ro-Ro containers. Moreover, the type of cargo classification should be extended.
- (5) The nomenclature on the maritime coastal areas needs to be adapted to technical developments.
- (6) Directive 2009/42/EC should therefore be amended accordingly,

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<sup>12</sup> OJ L 141, 6.6.2009, p. 29.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annexes I, II, IV and VIII to Directive 2009/42/EC are replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

The first reference year for the application of this Decision shall be 2012, covering the data for 2012.

Done at Brussels, 3.2.2012

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
*José Manuel BARROSO*

## “ANNEX I

### VARIABLES AND DEFINITIONS

#### 1. Statistical variables

##### (a) *Cargo and passenger information*

- Gross weight of goods in tonnes,
- type of cargo, according to the nomenclature shown in Annex II,
- description of the goods, using the nomenclature shown in Annex III,
- reporting port,
- direction of movement, whether inwards or outwards,
- counterpart for inward cargo: the port of loading (i.e. the port in which the cargo was loaded on to the ship in which it arrived in the reporting port) using individual ports in the European Economic Area (EEA) countries shown in the port list, and the maritime coastal areas outside the EEA countries, shown in Annex IV,
- counterpart for outward cargo: the port of unloading (i.e. the port in which the cargo is to be unloaded from the ship in which it left the reporting port) using individual ports in the EEA countries shown in the port list, and the maritime coastal areas outside the EEA countries, shown in Annex IV,
- number of passengers starting or finishing a voyage, as well as the number of cruise passengers on a cruise passenger excursion,
- counterpart for inward passenger: the port of embarkation (i.e. the port in which the passenger was embarked on to the ship in which she/he arrived in the reporting port) using individual ports in the European Economic Area (EEA) countries shown in the port list, and the maritime coastal areas outside the EEA countries, shown in Annex IV,
- counterpart for outward passenger: the port of disembarkation (i.e. the port in which the passenger is to be disembarked from the ship in which she/he left the reporting port) using individual ports in the EEA countries shown in the port list, and the maritime coastal areas outside the EEA countries, shown in Annex IV.

For goods carried in containers or Ro-Ro units, the following additional particulars shall be provided:

- total number of containers (with and without cargo),
- number of containers without cargo,
- total number of mobile (Ro-Ro) units with and without cargo,

- number of mobile (Ro-Ro) units without cargo.

(b) *Information on the vessel:*

- number of vessels;
- deadweight of vessels or gross tonnage;
- country or territory of registration of vessels, using the nomenclature shown in Annex V;
- type of vessels, using the nomenclature shown in Annex VI;
- size of vessels, using the nomenclature shown in Annex VII.

## 2. Definitions

(a) ‘Freight container’ means an article of transport equipment:

1. of a permanent nature and, accordingly, strong enough to be suitable for repeated use;
2. specially designed to facilitate the carriage of goods by one or more modes of transport, without intermediate reloading;
3. fitted with devices permitting its ease of handling, particularly its transfer from one mode of transport to another;
4. so designed as to be easy to fill and empty;
5. having a length of 20 feet or more.

(b) ‘Ro-Ro unit’ means wheeled equipment for carrying cargo, such as a truck, trailer or semi-trailer, which can be driven or towed on to a vessel. Port or ships’ trailers are included in this definition. Classifications should follow United Nations ECE Recommendation No 21 ‘Codes for types of cargo, packages and packaging materials’.

(c) ‘Container cargo’ means containers with or without cargo which are lifted on to or off the vessels which carry them by sea.

(d) ‘Ro-Ro cargo’ means goods, whether or not in containers, on Ro-Ro units, and Ro-Ro units which are rolled on and off the vessels which carry them by sea.

(e) ‘Gross weight of goods’ means the tonnage of goods carried, including packaging but excluding the tare weight of containers or Ro-Ro units.

(f) ‘Deadweight (DWT)’ means the difference in tonnes between the displacement of a ship on summer load-line in water with a specific gravity of 1,025 and the total weight of the ship, i.e. the displacement in tonnes of a ship without cargo, fuel, lubricating oil, ballast water, fresh water and drinking water in the tanks, usable supplies as well as passengers, crew and their possessions.



- (g) 'Gross tonnage' means the measure of the overall size of a ship determined in accordance with the provisions of the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969.
- (h) 'Cruise passenger' means a sea passenger making a sea journey on a cruise ship. Passengers on day excursions are excluded.
- (i) 'Cruise ship' means a passenger ship intended to provide passengers with a full tourist experience. All passengers have cabins. Facilities for entertainment aboard are included. Ships operating normal ferry services are excluded, even if some passengers treat the service as a cruise. In addition, cargo-carrying vessels able to carry a very limited number of passengers with their own cabins are also excluded. Ships intended solely for day excursions are also excluded.
- (j) 'Cruise passenger excursion' means a short visit by a cruise passenger to a tourist attraction associated with a port while retaining a cabin on board.
- (k) 'Ro-Ro container cargo' means containers with or without cargo loaded on Ro-Ro units which are then rolled on and rolled off the vessels which carry them by sea.
- (l) 'Shipborne port-to-port trailer' means a trailer intended to carry cargo (including containers) between two ports on Ro-Ro vessels. It is primarily designed to operate either on board of Ro-Ro vessels or in areas on land within the control of the port authority.
- (m) 'Ro-Ro vessel' means a vessel designed to carry Ro-Ro units.

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**“ANNEX II**

**TYPE OF CARGO CLASSIFICATION**

Category <sup>(1)</sup>	Code 1 digit	Code 2 digits	Description	Tonnage	Number of units
Liquid bulk	1	1X	Liquid bulk goods (no cargo unit)	X	
		11	Liquefied gas	X	
		12	Crude oil	X	
		13	Oil products	X	
		19	Other liquid bulk goods	X	
Dry bulk	2	2X	Dry bulk goods (no cargo unit)	X	
		21	Ores	X	
		22	Coal	X	
		23	Agricultural products (e.g. grain, soya, tapioca)	X	
		29	Other dry bulk goods	X	
Containers	3	3X	Large containers	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		31	20 ft freight units	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		32	40 ft freight units	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		33	Freight units > 20 ft and < 40 ft	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		34	Freight units > 40 ft	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
Roll on roll off (self-propelled)	5	5X	Mobile self-propelled units	X	X
		51	Road goods vehicles and accompanying trailers	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		52	Passenger cars, motorcycles and accompanying trailers/caravans		X <sup>(3)</sup>
		53	Passenger buses		X <sup>(3)</sup>
		54	Trade vehicles (including import/export motor vehicles)	X	X <sup>(3)</sup>
		56	Live animals on the hoof	X	X <sup>(3)</sup>
		59	Other mobile self-propelled units	X	X
Roll on roll off (non-self-propelled)	6	6X	Mobile non-self-propelled units	X	X
		61	Unaccompanied road goods trailers and semi-trailers	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		62	Unaccompanied caravans and other road, agricultural and industrial vehicles	X	X <sup>(3)</sup>
		64	Rail wagons engaged in goods transport	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		65	Shipborne port-to-port trailers engaged in goods transport	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		66	Shipborne barges engaged in goods transport	X <sup>(2)</sup>	X
		69	Other mobile non-self-propelled units	X	X
Other general cargo (including small containers)	9	9X	Other cargo, not elsewhere specified	X	
		91	Forestry products	X	
		92	Iron and steel products	X	
		99	Other general cargo	X	

## SUPPLEMENT TO THE TYPE OF CARGO CLASSIFICATION FOR RO-RO CONTAINERS

Category <sup>(1)</sup>	Code 1 digit	Code 2 digits	Description	Tonnage	Number of units
Large Ro-Ro Containers	R	RX	Large Ro-Ro containers		X
		R1	20 ft freight units		X
		R2	40 ft freight units		X
		R3	Freight units > 20 ft and < 40 ft		X
		R4	Freight units > 40 ft		X

<sup>(1)</sup> These categories are consistent with United Nations ECE Recommendation No 21.

<sup>(2)</sup> The quantity recorded is the gross weight of the goods including packaging but excluding the tare weight of containers and Ro-Ro-units.

<sup>(3)</sup> Only total number of units.”

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### “ANNEX IV

#### MARITIME COASTAL AREAS

The nomenclature to be used is the Geonomenclature (the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States)<sup>13</sup> in force in the year to which the data refer.

The code consists of four digits: the ISO alpha 2 standard code for each country from the abovementioned nomenclature, followed by two zeros (e.g. code GR00 for Greece), except for countries which are divided into two or more maritime coastal areas, which are identified by a fourth digit other than zero (from 1 to 7), as below:

*Code Maritime coastal areas*

FR01	France: Atlantic and North Sea
FR02	France: Mediterranean
FR03	French overseas departments: French Guiana
FR04	French overseas departments: Martinique and Guadeloupe
FR05	French overseas departments: Réunion
DE01	Germany: North Sea
DE02	Germany: Baltic
DE03	Germany: Inland
GB01	United Kingdom
GB02	Isle of Man
GB03	Channel Islands
ES01	Spain: Atlantic (North)
ES02	Spain: Mediterranean and Atlantic (South), including the Balearic and Canary Islands
SE01	Sweden: Baltic
SE02	Sweden: North Sea
TR01	Turkey: Black Sea
TR02	Turkey: Mediterranean
RU01	Russia: Black Sea
RU03	Russia: Asia

<sup>13</sup> The version currently in force is laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 of 13 December 2006 on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States , OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19.

RU04 Russia: Barents and White Seas  
RU05 Russia: Baltic, Gulf of Finland only  
RU06 Russia: Baltic, excluding Gulf of Finland  
RU07 Russia: European inland waterways, including Caspian Sea  
MA01 Morocco: Mediterranean  
MA02 Morocco: West Africa  
EG01 Egypt: Mediterranean  
EG02 Egypt: Red Sea  
IL01 Israel: Mediterranean  
IL02 Israel: Red Sea  
SA01 Saudi Arabia: Red Sea  
SA02 Saudi Arabia: Gulf  
US01 United States of America: Atlantic (North)  
US02 United States of America: Atlantic (South)  
US03 United States of America: Gulf  
US04 United States of America: Pacific (South)  
US05 United States of America: Pacific (North)  
US06 United States of America: Great Lakes  
US07 Puerto Rico  
CA01 Canada: Atlantic  
CA02 Canada: Great Lakes and Upper Saint Lawrence  
CA03 Canada: West Coast  
CO01 Colombia: North Coast  
CO02 Colombia: West Coast  
MX01 Mexico: Atlantic  
MX02 Mexico: Pacific

*With the additional codes*

ZZ01 Offshore installations not elsewhere specified  
ZZ02 Aggregates and not elsewhere specified

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## “ANNEX VIII

### STRUCTURE FOR STATISTICAL DATA SETS

The data sets specified in this Annex define the periodicity for the maritime transport statistics required by the Community. Each data set defines a cross classification of a limited set of dimensions at different levels of the nomenclatures, aggregated across all other dimensions, for which statistics of good quality are required.

#### SUMMARY AND DETAILED STATISTICS

- The data sets to be provided for selected ports for goods and passengers are A1, A2, A3, B1, C1, C2, D1, E1, F1 and F2.
- The data sets to be provided for selected ports for goods but not for passengers are A1, A2, A3, B1, C1, C2, E1, F1 and F2.
- The data sets to be provided for selected ports for passengers but not for goods are A3, D1, F1 and F2.
- The data set to be provided for ports which are not selected (for either goods or passengers) is A3.

#### LEGAL STATUS OF DATA SETS

- Data sets A1, A2, A3, B1, C1, D1, E1 and F2 are mandatory.
- Data sets C2 and F1 are voluntary.

**Data set A1:** Seaborne transport in the main European ports, by port, type of cargo and counterpart

Periodicity of data transmission: quarterly

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	A1
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(1, 2, 3, 4)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
	Port of loading/unloading	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
	Maritime coastal area	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
	Type of cargo	One-character alphanumeric	Type of cargo, Annex II

*Data:* Gross weight of goods in tonnes.

**Data set A2:** Non-unit-load seaborne transport in the main European ports, by port, type of cargo and counterpart

Periodicity of data transmission: quarterly

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	A2
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(1, 2, 3, 4)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
	Port of loading/unloading	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
	Maritime coastal area	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
	Type of cargo	Two-character alphanumeric	Type of cargo (non-unit-load only), Annex II (subcategories 1X, 11, 12, 13, 19, 2X, 21, 22, 23, 29, 9X, 91, 92 and 99)

*Data:* Gross weight of goods in tonnes.

**Data set A3:** Data required both for selected ports and ports for which detailed statistics are not required (see Article 4(3))

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	A3
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(0)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	All ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)

*Data:* Gross weight of goods in tonnes.

Number of passengers (excluding cruise passengers).

Number of cruise passengers starting and ending a cruise.

Number of cruise passengers on cruise passenger excursion: direction: inwards (1) only - (optional).

**Data set B1:** Seaborne transport in the main European ports, by port, type of cargo, goods and counterpart

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	B1
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)

Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(0)
Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
Port of loading/unloading	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
Maritime coastal area	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
Type of cargo	One-character alphanumeric	Type of cargo, Annex II
Commodity	Two-character alphanumeric	Goods nomenclature, Annex III

*Data:* Gross weight of goods in tonnes.

**Data set C1:** Unit-load seaborne transport in the main European ports, by port, type of cargo, counterpart and loaded status

Periodicity of data transmission: quarterly

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	C1
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(1, 2, 3, 4)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
	Port of loading/unloading	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
	Maritime coastal area	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
	Type of cargo	Two-character alphanumeric	Type of cargo (container, Ro-Ro only) Annex II (subcategories 3X, 31, 32, 33, 34, 5X, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 59, 6X, 61, 62, 64, 65, 66 and 69)

*Data:* Gross weight of goods in tonnes (type of cargo: subcategories 3X, 31, 32, 33, 34, 5X, 51, 54, 56, 59, 6X, 61, 62, 64, 65, 66 and 69).

Total number of units (type of cargo: subcategories 3X, 31, 32, 33, 34, 5X, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 59, 6X, 61, 62, 64, 65, 66 and 69).

Number of units without cargo (type of cargo: subcategories 3X, 31, 32, 33, 34, 5X, 51, 59, 6X, 61, 64, 65, 66 and 69).

**Data set C2:** Ro-Ro container seaborne transport in the main European ports, by port, type of cargo, counterpart and loaded status

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	C2
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)

Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(0)
Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
Port of loading/unloading (optional)	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
Maritime coastal area (optional)	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
Type of cargo	Two-character alphanumeric	Type of cargo (Ro-Ro container only) Annex II (subcategories RX, R1, R2, R3, R4)

*Data:* Total number of units (type of cargo: subcategories RX, R1, R2, R3, R4).  
Number of units without cargo (type of cargo: subcategories RX, R1, R2, R3, R4) – (optional).

**Data set D1:** Passenger transport in the main European ports, by port, counterpart and nationality of registration of vessel

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	D1
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(1, 2, 3, 4)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
	Port of embarkation/disembarkation	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
	Maritime coastal area	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
	Nationality of registration of vessel (optional)	Four-character alphanumeric	Nationality of registration of vessels, Annex V

*Data:* Number of passengers excluding cruise passengers starting and ending a cruise and cruise passengers on excursion.

**Data set E1:** Seaborne transport in the main European ports, by port, type of cargo, counterpart and nationality of registration of vessels

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	E1
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(0)



Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards, outwards (1, 2)
Port of loading/unloading	Five-character alphanumeric	EEA-ports in the port list
Maritime coastal area	Four-character alphanumeric	Maritime coastal areas, Annex IV
Type of cargo	One-character alphanumeric	Type of cargo, Annex II
Nationality of registration of vessel	Four-character alphanumeric	Nationality of registration of vessels, Annex V

*Data:* Gross weight of goods in tonnes.

**Data set F1:** Vessel traffic in the main European ports, by port, type and size of vessels loading or unloading cargo, embarking or disembarking passengers (including cruise passengers on a cruise passenger excursion)

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	F1
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(1, 2, 3, 4)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards (1) only
	Type of vessel	Two-character alphanumeric	Type of ship, Annex VI
	Size of vessel DWT	Two-character alphanumeric	Deadweight size classes, Annex VII

*Data:* Number of vessels.  
Deadweight of vessels in tonnes.

**Data set F2:** Vessel traffic in the main European ports, by port, type and size of vessels loading or unloading cargo, embarking or disembarking passengers (including cruise passengers on a cruise passenger excursion)

Periodicity of data transmission: annual

	Variables	Coding detail	Nomenclature
Dimensions	Data set	Two-character alphanumeric	F2
	Reference year	Four-character alphanumeric	(e.g. 1997)
	Reference quarter	One-character alphanumeric	(1, 2, 3, 4)
	Reporting port	Five-character alphanumeric	Selected EEA ports in the port list
	Direction	One-character alphanumeric	Inwards (1) only

Type of vessel	Two-character alphanumeric	Type of ship, Annex VI
Size of vessel GT	Two-character alphanumeric	Gross tonnage size classes, Annex VII

*Data:* Number of vessels.  
Gross tonnage of vessels.

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