

EU SYSTEM OF TOBACCO TRACEABILITY

REPORTING OF PRODUCT MOVEMENTS WITHIN THE DISTRIBUTION CHAIN

AGGREGATION

Message 3.2 (EPA) relates an aUI to subordinate aUIs or upUIs at one level below.



REMEMBER

To send this message no later than max. 24 hours after the aggregation event took place;
To send separate messages for each aggregation;
Not to re-use aUIs for which the disaggregation message has not been sent to the system;
To report a new aggregation only once subordinate UIs are correctly reported to the system.

DISPATCH

Message 3.3 (EDP) is necessary for the consignment to lawfully leave the facility.



REMEMBER

To send this message no sooner than 24 hours before but no later than the moment that the dispatch takes place;
To report the dispatch at the highest available aggregation level;
To report dispatches separately for each destination even if the consignments are loaded together.

TRANS-LOADING

Message 3.5 (ETL) is necessary for the consignment to lawfully change the means of transport, e.g. from truck A to truck B, in between dispatch and arrival.



REMEMBER

To send this message no sooner than 24 hours before but no later than the moment that the trans-loading operation takes place;
To report the trans-loading at the highest available aggregation level (without altering the content of the initial consignment as indicated in the dispatch message);
Not to dismantle the existing aggregations.

ARRIVAL

Message 3.4 (ERP) is necessary for the consignment to lawfully enter its destination facility (except for the retail outlets).



REMEMBER

To send this message no later than max. 24 hours after the arrival took place;
To report the arrival at the highest available aggregation level (the same one as indicated in the dispatch message);
Not to dismantle the existing aggregations during the arrival operation.

DISAGGREGATION

Message 3.6 (EUD) is necessary whenever a self-generated aUI may be re-used for another aggregation.



REMEMBER

To send this message no later than max. 24 hours after the disaggregation event took place, unless there is no intention to reuse the aUI;
Removing one or more items from a given aggregated package fully dismantles it.

GENERAL RULES

- Information on product movements must be transmitted in a chronological and sequential order. For example, an aggregation preceding a dispatch needs to be correctly transmitted ahead of the dispatch message.
- Information concerning a given event is deemed to have been transmitted correctly upon its positive acknowledgement by the repositories system; without receipt of a positive acknowledgement a reporting obligation cannot be assumed to be discharged;
- UIs must be captured at the highest level of available aggregation during dispatch, trans-loading or arrival;
- Recording of aggregated packaging requires that the packaging is physically marked with an aUI, i.e. the regulatory framework does not permit "virtual" marking;
- Each aggregation and disaggregation message requires an EOID and a FID, which means that these operations have to take place at a facility.

GLOSSARY

upUI – unit packet level unique identifier, which must be issued by a competent ID issuer; **aUI** – aggregated level unique identifier, which is self-generated in line with the applicable ISO standards or issued by a competent ID issuer; **EPA, EDP, ETL, ERP, EUD** – message abbreviations as used in the technical specifications published by the operator of the secondary repository; **EOID** – economic operator identifier code; **FID** – facility identifier code.

More information: https://ec.europa.eu/health/tobacco/tracking_tracing_system_en

