



International Registry of Interests in Rolling Stock

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

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WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY OF INTERESTS IN ROLLING STOCK?

The International Registry of Interests in Rolling Stock (the “International Registry”) supports the new, international legal structure created by the Luxembourg Rail Protocol to the Cape Town Convention (the “Protocol”) . The International Registry provides a central database for users to register interests and search for registered interests in rolling stock under the Protocol.

WHAT IS AN URVIS IDENTIFIER?

The Model Rules on the Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock introduce the URVIS (Unique Rail Vehicle Identification System) identifier – a permanent, unique identifier for rolling stock. An URVIS identifier is required in order to register an interest in the International Registry.

The International Registry is the official issuer of URVIS identifiers.

HOW DO I ACCESS THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY?

Visit the Get Started page on the International Registry to learn how to access the International Registry.

DO I NEED TO PAY IN ORDER TO ACCESS THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY?

The International Registry offers two levels of user access. Guest user access is offered at no charge. Authorised users and authenticated entities pay a yearly fee to maintain active status, which includes access to the registration services of the International Registry. All users are required to pay fees for services obtained, namely URVIS identifier allocation, registration services, and priority search certificates.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A GUEST USER AND AN AUTHORISED USER?

Guest users have limited access to the International Registry, as they may search and purchase URVIS identifiers but cannot register interests. Authorised users have full access to the International Registry, which includes URVIS identifier purchase, search, and registration of interests.

WHAT IS AN AUTHENTICATED ENTITY?

To be a named party on a registration or act as a service provider, a party must become an authenticated entity. Authenticated entities must provide supporting documentation to confirm their existence. Authenticated entities who act as service providers are referred to as designated representatives.

WHAT IS AN AUTHORISING ENTRY POINT? WHAT IS AN AUTHORISING ENTRY POINT CODE?

The Cape Town Convention, the Protocol, and the Regulations allow Contracting States to designate an entity through which information is transmitted to the International Registry. An authorizing entry point provides a unique authorising entry point code that must be entered when registering an interest in the International Registry.

Please consult the Protocol and the Regulations to determine if an authorising entry code is required for a registration.

HAVE ANY CONTRACTING STATES DESIGNATED AN AUTHORISING ENTRY POINT?

Spain is the only country to have designated an authorising entry point. An authorizing entry point code is provided by the Registry of Moveable Property, which may be contacted as follows:

Registro de Bienes Muebles de Sevilla
Avda. de la Buhaira 15
41018 Sevilla (España)
Contact: Mr. D. José María de Pablos O'Mullony
Email: jmpablos@registradores.org

IS THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY OF INTERESTS IN ROLLING STOCK RELATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY OF MOBILE ASSETS (AIRCRAFT EQUIPMENT)?

Yes. Both registries operate under the framework of the Cape Town Convention but are subject to different protocols.