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**Status and implementation of the Agreement on  
the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs  
and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage (ATP):  
exchange of information among Parties under Article 6 of ATP**

### **Responses to the questionnaire on the implementation of the ATP\***

#### **Note by the secretariat\*\***

#### **Introduction**

1. At WP.11's seventy-ninth session in 2022, the Working Party thanked the 21 countries that had provided data in response to the questionnaire on the implementation of ATP in 2021 and stressed that it was mandatory to have information from all ATP contracting parties and that it was a means of harmonizing implementation of the agreement.
2. The secretariat requested all countries represented in WP.11 to reply to the questionnaire with their 2022 data. The data received from 23 countries are presented in the tables below.
3. Information on the number of checks made and breaches detected in 2022 has been provided by twelve countries: Belgium, Czechia, Finland, France, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Norway, Poland, San Marino, Slovakia and Spain (see Table 1 below).

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\* Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage.

\*\* The document was submitted late because of a technical reason.



Table 1  
Number of checks made and breaches detected in 2022

Country	BE	CZ	FIN	FRA	HUN	IT	LV	NW	POL	SM	SLV	SP
Number of ATP road checks	3309	1627	112	562	*	*	310	10	5308	11	13	1093
Number of ATP rail checks	0	0	0	0	*	*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Breaches documents domestic/foreign	3/147	1/5	4/7	5/1	6/27	10/2	0/0	0	13/102	0/0	3/5	990/22
Breaches thermal appliances domestic/foreign	0/0	3/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	98/6	9/12	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Breaches body domestic/foreign	0/0	0/0	3/4	10/0	0/0	286/14	6/8	3/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Other breaches domestic/foreign	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	5/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	32/2
<b>Total breaches domestic/foreign</b>	<b>3/147</b>	<b>4/5</b>	<b>7/11</b>	<b>15/1</b>	<b>6/27</b>	<b>399/24</b>	<b>15/20</b>	<b>3/0</b>	<b>13/102</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3/5</b>	<b>1022/24</b>
% of defective equipment	<1	<1	16.1	5.3	-	-	11.29	2	2.16	0	-	3.25

Notes:

\* Information not available.

\*\* In the Netherlands checks on the application are done by the national food authority. This organization monitors application of all food legislation and safety (and also other products). They report in general and not specific on ATP vehicles, so data cannot be easily isolated. For this reason we do not receive information on this and the notification is "no information available".

4. The secretariat received the following information from Bulgaria:

*"The Bulgarian Food Safety Agency is authorized by the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Bulgaria at the UN Office and other international organizations in Geneva as a competent authority in the framework of the Convention on the International Carriage of perishable food products and the Special Means of transport intended for such carriage (ATP) before the Economic Commission for Europe at the UN. There is no ATP test station built in the Republic of Bulgaria. The Republic of Bulgaria recognizes ATP certificates issued by stations officially recognized and included in the Convention of other competent authorities.*

*As a competent authority for food safety, BFSAs does not carry out control activities regarding the compliance with the Convention, therefore we could not provide answers to the questions in the questionnaire requesting data on the application of the Convention on the International Carriage of perishable food products and the Special Means of transport intended for such carriage (ATP)."*

5. Additional information on the number of certificates issued in 2022 has been provided by twenty-two countries: Belgium, Belarus, Croatia, Czechia, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom and United States of America (see table 2 below).

Table 2  
**Additional information on compliance with ATP: number of certificates issued in 2022**

Country	BE	BELA	CRO	CZ	DK	FIN	FRA	GR	HUN	IT	LV
1 <sup>st</sup> cert new equipment	469	149	64	368	1240	591	15962	61	48	10997	81
2 <sup>nd</sup> cert inspection	377	172	194	1257	226	339	12940	222	1	4338	149
2 <sup>nd</sup> cert K value	0	0	0	2	0	0	102	8	2	3651	0
3 <sup>rd</sup> cert inspection	143	246	149	**	0	199	3156	47	0	4480	58
3 <sup>rd</sup> cert K value	0	0	0	**	0	0	28	18	1	3530	0
4 <sup>th</sup> cert inspection	21	131	0	**	0	39	27	2	0	3864	22
4 <sup>th</sup> cert K value	0	0	0	**	0	0	199	18	0	1753	0
5 <sup>th</sup> cert inspection	18	192	0	**	0	29	0	1	0	0	0
5 <sup>th</sup> cert K value	0	0	0	**	0	0	72	6	0	2871	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1028</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>1627</b>	<b>1466</b>	<b>1197</b>	<b>33954</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>35584</b>	<b>310</b>
Duplicates	2	15	1	6	24	*	480	-	0	93	21

\* Certificates marked as "duplicate" are not issued in Finland. Instead, new certificates are issued to replace lost or erroneous ones. The number of such certificates in 2022 was 37 and they are included in the figures in the table.

\*\* Information not available.

Table 2 (cont'd)

Country	NL	NW	POL	POR	SM	SK	SLV	SP	SW	UK	USA
1 <sup>st</sup> cert new equipment	328	148	2702	630	0	378	124	11462	690	2041	0
2 <sup>nd</sup> cert inspection	702	11	1604	824	1	82	220	9555	34	153	0
2 <sup>nd</sup> cert K value	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1420	0	0	0
3 <sup>rd</sup> cert inspection	298	0	2301	367	2	19	107	4560	8	64	0
3 <sup>rd</sup> cert K value	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	721	0	0	0
4 <sup>th</sup> cert inspection	97	0	2024	0	5	5	61	3959	12	38	0
4 <sup>th</sup> cert K value	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	666	0	0	0
5 <sup>th</sup> cert inspection	0	0	1338	0	3	0	37	4691	36	0	0
5 <sup>th</sup> cert K value	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	1901	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1440</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>9981</b>	<b>2079</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>39945</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>2296</b>	<b>0</b>
Duplicates	2	0	42	18	0	1	6	266	0	0	0

\*\* Information not available