



Europe on the Move

INTERNAL MARKET CABOTAGE

Cabotage is the term used to describe situations where a foreign truck makes domestic deliveries on the territory of an EU Member State right after an international trip from another Member State or from a country outside the EU. **Until now**, EU rules allowed for **3 cabotage operations within 7 days** of the international delivery. The **new rules** will allow for **any number of cabotage operations within 5 days** of the international delivery.

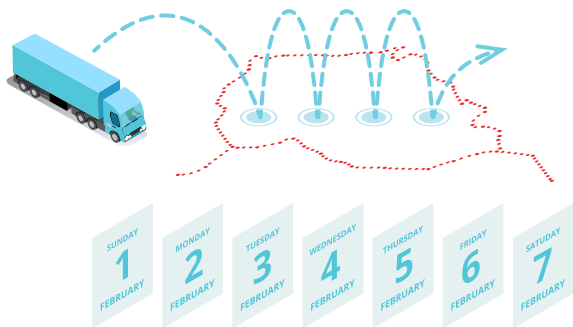
It's important to understand that **international truck deliveries** (between EU Member States) **are fully liberalised in the EU**, there is no need to go back to the country of origin of the truck before a new international trip is carried out. Only cabotage is still subject to restrictions.



PROPOSED CHANGES:

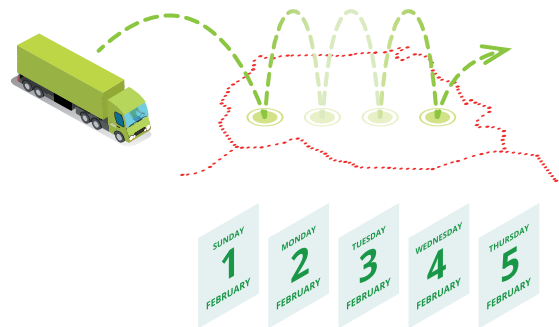
TODAY

3 operations in 7 days



AFTER

Any number of operations in 5 days



BENEFITS:

- Simpler and realistic enforcement > no need to count operations
- More flexible and simpler for business/truck companies/drivers
- More sustainable > Less empty runs
- Same rules in the whole EU

in **2015**, **23%**
of all heavy good vehicles in the EU ran **empty**

