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**Secrétaire général**  
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**TO THE MEMBER STATES AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF OTIF AND TO  
REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS WHICH HAVE ACCEDED TO COTIF**

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**Depositary Notification**

Entry into force of the decisions taken by the Committee of Technical Experts using the written procedure:

- Modification of the UTP concerning rolling stock noise
- Modification of the UTP concerning freight wagons
- Modification of the UTP concerning vehicle marking
- Full revision of the rules for certification and auditing of entities in charge of maintenance (ECM Regulation)
- Full revision of the specifications concerning vehicle registers

In his capacity as the Depositary, the Secretary General of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) notifies you of the following.

The decisions adopted by the Committee of Technical Experts using the written procedure were notified by the Secretary General on 9 October 2020 in circular [NOT-20038](#). The decisions concerned:

- Modification of the UTP concerning rolling stock noise;
- Modification of the UTP concerning freight wagons;
- Modification of the UTP concerning vehicle marking;
- Full revision of the rules for certification and auditing of entities in charge of maintenance (ECM Regulation);
- Full revision of the specifications concerning vehicle registers.

By 9 February 2021, the Secretary General had not received any objections to the above-mentioned decisions, in accordance with Article 35 § 4 of COTIF, from those Member States which, in accordance with Article 42 § 1 of COTIF, have not made a declaration not to apply Appendices F (APTU) and G (ATMF). Consequently, in accordance with Article 35 § 3 of COTIF, the above-mentioned modifications will enter into force on 1 April 2021.

In accordance with Article 8 § 1 of APTU, the texts are published on OTIF's website ([www.OTIF.org](http://www.OTIF.org)) under:

[Reference texts > Technical Interoperability > Prescriptions and Other Rules](#)

Yours faithfully,



(Wolfgang Küpper)  
Secretary General

**cc for information**

- Non Member States that are candidates for accession or which might be interested in acceding to COTIF and the international organisations and associations which are invited to the Committee of Technical Experts