Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) of 9 May 1980 as amended by the 1999 Protocol

Declarations and reservations

Reservations concerning arbitration

1. The reservation made by *Albania, the Czech Republic, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia and the Ukraine* in accordance with Article 12 § 3 of COTIF 1980 (see under COTIF 1980, Declarations and reservations) also applies in respect of COTIF 1999.

2. Reservation in accordance with Article 28 § 3 of COTIF 1999

**Azerbaijan**

In accordance with Article 28 § 3 of the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF), the Republic of Azerbaijan reserves the right not to apply § 1 and § 2 of Article 28 of COTIF.

**Georgia**

In accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 28 of the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (hereafter referred to as “Convention”), Georgia retains the right not to apply in whole § 1 and § 2 of Article 28.

**Pakistan**

In accordance with Article 28 § 3, Pakistan will not apply all of the provisions of §§ 1 and 2.

**Russia**

(Translation)

In accordance with Article 28 § 3 of the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF), the Russian Federation reserves the right not to apply § 1 and § 2 of Article 28 of COTIF.
Reservations concerning the scope of CIV/CIM

Azerbaijan

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV – Appendix A to the Convention), the Republic of Azerbaijan will apply these Uniform Rules on the Baku – Boyuk-Kesik railway line (505 km), after the new Baku–Tbilisi–Kars railway line is put into operation.

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM – Appendix B to the Convention), the Republic of Azerbaijan will apply these Uniform Rules on the following railway lines:

- The Baku – Boyuk-Kesik railway line (505 km), after the new Baku–Tbilisi–Kars railway line is put into operation;
- The railway line (6 km) between the Alyat Port and the Alyat railway station, after this line is put into operation.

Estonia

Pursuant to Article 24 of the Convention and paragraph 6 of Article 1 of Appendix A “Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail” (CIV) to the Convention, the Republic of Estonia will apply Appendix A to the Convention to the international carriage of passengers by rail performed only on the railway line Tallin-Tapa-Valga in both directions.

Pursuant to Articles 3 and 24 of the Convention and paragraph 6 of Article 1 of Appendix B “Uniform Rules concerning the Contract for International Carriage of Goods by Rail” (CIM) to the Convention, the Republic of Estonia will apply Appendix B to the Convention to the international carriage of goods by rail performed only on the railway line Tallin-Tapa-Valga in both directions and the point of departure or the point of destination of which is situated on the territory of a state, with whom it has not been agreed otherwise regarding such carriage.

Georgia

In accordance with Article 24 of the Convention and with § 6 of Article 1 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV) Appendix “A” to the Convention, Georgia retains the right to apply these uniform rules to the international carriage of passengers only on the section from the station Gardabani to the station Kartsakhi, to the state border (244 km), after this line is put into operation.

In accordance with Article 24 of the Convention and with § 6 of Article 1 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM), Appendix “B” to the Convention, Georgia retains the right to apply these uniform rules to the international carriage of goods on the following sections of the railway infrastructure of Georgia:

a) The section from “Poti” Port - to “Poti” Railway Station – 2,7 km;
b) The section from “Batumi” Port - to “Batumi” Railway Station – 1,9 km;
c) The section from Gardabani to the station Kartsakhi, to the state border – 244 km
(after it is put into operation).

**Russia**

(Translation)

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM) (Appendix B to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF)), the Russian Federation will apply Appendix B to the carriage performed on the parts of the railway infrastructure from the landing stage of the ferry terminal Baltiysk to the near-port railway station Baltiysk (2.84 km) and from the landing stage of the ferry terminal Ust-Luga to the near-port railway station Luzhskaya (1.745 km).

Additional notification (10.02.2015) in accordance with Article 24 § 3 of COTIF

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of CIM, Russia will also apply the CIM Uniform Rules on the railway line from the Kavkaz railway station to the port of Kavkaz (1.1 km).

**Ukraine**

According to Article 1 § 6 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV – Appendix A to the Convention) and according to Article 1 § 6 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM – Appendix B to the Convention), the Ukraine will apply these Uniform Rules to the following parts of the railway infrastructure in the Ukraine:

- Halmeu / Dyakovo – Batyovo – Chop / Cierna nad Tisou and Chop / Zahony (1435 mm) – 112 km;
- Epereszke / Batyovo – Mukacheve (1435 mm) – 34 km;
- Medyka / Mostiska II – Mostiska I (1435 mm) – 13 km;
- Dorohusk / Yagodin – Kovel (1435 mm) – 66 km;
- Dorneşti / Vadul – Siret (1435 mm) – 7 km

Additional notification (01.11.2010) in accordance with Article 24 § 3 of COTIF

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of CIM, Ukraine will also apply the CIM Uniform Rules on the railway line (7 km) from the Illichivsk ferry terminal to Illichivsk portside station (Illichivsk-Paromna) (1520 mm, 7 km).

Additional notification (08.12.2011) in accordance with Article 24 § 3 of COTIF (railway line Uzhgorod - Chop - 22 km)

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1 Took effect on 15 May 2015
2 Took effect on 1 January 2011
3 Line subject to the CIM UR with effect from 15 January 2012, deleted with effect from 3 November 2015
Additional notification (01.11.2012) in accordance with Article 24 § 3 of COTIF\textsuperscript{4}

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of CIM, Ukraine will also apply the CIM Uniform Rules on the railway line Uzhgorod – Matevce (8,7 km)

Additional notification (03.10.2014) in accordance with Article 24 § 3 of COTIF\textsuperscript{5}

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of CIM, Ukraine will also apply the CIM Uniform Rules on the railway lines Halmeu / Dyakovo (1520 mm, 3,6 km) and Dornești / Vadul – Siret (1520 mm, 18,8 km).

Additional notification (01.02.2016) in accordance with Article 24 § 3 of COTIF\textsuperscript{6}

In accordance with Article 1 § 6 of CIM, Ukraine will apply the CIM Uniform Rules not only on the railway line from the Illichivsk ferry terminal to Illichivsk portside station (Illichivsk-Paromna), but also on the railway line from Illichivsk portside station to Izov/Hrubieszów (1520 mm, 965 km).

Additional notification (02.11.2017)

Renaming the Marine Trade Port of Illichivsk as Chornomorsk and renaming the railway station of Illichivsk-Paromna as Paromna.

\textsuperscript{4} Took effect on 14 December 2012
\textsuperscript{5} Took effect on 3 December 2014
\textsuperscript{6} Took effect on 15 March 2016
Declarations concerning liability in case of death or injury

Austria

(Translation)

In accordance with Article 2 § 1 of Appendix A of COTIF and in accordance with Article 2 § 1 of Appendix E of COTIF in the version of the Annex to this Protocol, the Republic of Austria reserves the right not to apply the whole of the provisions concerning the liability of the carrier in case of death of, or personal injury to, passengers when the accident has occurred on its territory and when such passengers are Austrian nationals or have their usual place of residence in Austria.

Estonia

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Article 30 of Appendix A (CIV) was withdrawn with effect from 15 September 2013]

Latvia

In accordance with Paragraph 1 of Article 2 of the Uniform Rules of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV – Appendix A to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail revised by Protocol of 3 June 1999) the Republic of Latvia declares that it will not apply to passengers involved in accidents occurring on its territory the whole of the provisions concerning the liability of the carrier in case of death of, or personal injury to, passengers, when such passengers are nationals of, or have their usual place of residence in, that State.

Ukraine

1) According to paragraph 1 of Article 2 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV – Appendix A to the Convention), the Ukraine reserves its right not to apply to passengers who become victims of an accident on the territory of the Ukraine the whole of the provisions concerning the liability of the carrier in case of death of, or personal injury to, passengers, if they are nationals of the Ukraine or if the Ukraine is their permanent place of residence;

2) according to paragraph 1 of Article 2 of the Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of Use of Infrastructure in International Rail Traffic (CUI – Appendix E to the Convention), the Ukraine reserves its right not to apply the whole of the provisions on liability in case of corporal injuries to the victims of an accident which occurs in the territory of the Ukraine, if the victims are nationals of the Ukraine or if the Ukraine is their permanent place of residence.
Declarations in accordance with Article 42 § 1 first sentence of COTIF

Austria

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was limited to “the date of entry into force of the accession of the European Community to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) of 9.5.1980, as amended by the Modification Protocol of 3.6.1999”, i.e. until 1.7.2011.]

Azerbaijan

In accordance with Article 42 § 1 of COTIF, the Republic of Azerbaijan reserves the right not to apply the following Appendices:

− Uniform Rules concerning Contracts of Use of Vehicles in International Rail Traffic (CUV – Appendix D to the Convention);
− Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of Use of Infrastructure in International Rail Traffic (CUI – Appendix E to the Convention);
− Uniform Rules concerning the Validation of Technical Standards and the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions applicable to Railway Material intended to be used in International Traffic (APTU – Appendix F to the Convention);
− Uniform Rules concerning the Technical Admission of Railway Material used in International Traffic (ATMF – Appendix G to the Convention).

Belgium

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 8 February 2012.]

Bulgaria

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 17 December 2012.]

Czech Republic

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 29 July 2016.]

Denmark

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 7 July 2011.]

Estonia

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 9 August 2013.]
Finland

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 1 July 2011.]

France

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendix E (CUI) was withdrawn with effect from 4 March 2014, of Appendix F (APTU) with effect from 3 February 2014 and of Appendix G (ATMF) with effect from 1 July 2015.]

Georgia

In accordance with § 1 of Article 42 of this Convention, Georgia shall not apply in whole the following Appendices:

– Uniform Rules concerning Contracts of Use of Vehicles in International Rail Traffic (CUV – Appendix “D” to the Convention);

– Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of Use of Infrastructure in International Rail Traffic (CUI – Appendix “E” to the Convention);

– Uniform Rules concerning the Validation of Technical Standards and the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions applicable to Railway Material intended to be used in International Traffic (APTU – Appendix “F” to the Convention);

– Uniform Rules concerning the Technical Admission of Railway Material used in International Traffic (ATMF – Appendix “G” to the Convention).

Germany

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendix E (CUI) was withdrawn with effect from 31 December 2011 and of Appendices F (APTU) and G (ATMF) with effect from 1 January 2013.]

Greece

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 13 September 2011.]

Hungary

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 16 February 2012.]

Latvia

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 26 April 2013.]
Lithuania

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 10 November 2011.]

Luxembourg

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 12 January 2012.]

Netherlands

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 1 January 2012.]

Norway

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 18 June 2014.]

Pakistan

In accordance with Article 42 § 1 of COTIF, the Government of Pakistan declares that Pakistan will for the time being not apply the following Appendices to the Convention:

i) Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV - Appendix A to the Convention)

ii) Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID - Appendix C to the Convention)

iii Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of Use of Vehicles in International Rail Traffic (CUV - Appendix D to the Convention)

iv) Uniform Rules concerning the Contract of Use of Infrastructure in International Rail Traffic (CUI - Appendix E to the Convention)

v) Uniform Rules concerning the Validation of Technical Standards and the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions applicable to Railway Material intended to be used in International Traffic (APTU - Appendix F to the Convention)

vi) Uniform Rules concerning the Technical Admission of Railway Material used in International Traffic (ATMF – Appendix G to the Convention)

Portugal

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 13 May 2013.]
Romania

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 1 March 2013.]

Russia

(Translation)

In accordance with Article 42 § 1 of the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF), the Russian Federation reserves the right not to apply the Appendices A, C, D, E, F, G to COTIF.

Slovakia

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 27 August 2015.]

Slovenia

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 19 October 2012.]

Spain

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 16 April 2014.]

United Kingdom

[The declaration concerning the non-application of Appendices F (APTU) and G (ATMF) was withdrawn with effect from 28 August 2015 and of Appendix E (CUI) with effect from 28 July 2017.]

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland declares pursuant to Article 42 of the Convention, that it shall not apply the following Appendix to the Convention:

Appendix E – “CUI” – Uniform Rules concerning the contract of Use of Infrastructure in International Rail Traffic.\(^7\)

\(^7\) Takes effect on 31 December 2018