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Purpose and procedure for standardisation

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1. Purpose of Eumos standards

As mentioned in the Eumos statutes, the association's main objective is to make available know-how related to cargo transport safety, including packing, storage, loading and cargo securing, to certified experts and trainers specialising in this subject, throughout Europe. In the pursuit of these objectives the Association shall in particular organize the establishment and usage of professional standards related to cargo transport safety in Europe, including packaging, handling, storage and cargo securing.

Eumos does not have the purpose to create standards for a field of application if ISO or EN standards are available. A new Eumos standard is created according to the procedure described below within a typical time span of 6 months.

Eumos shall create standards to assist Eumos certified experts to evaluate and/or improve cargo transport safety including packing, storage, loading and securing all over Europe. However Eumos can not avoid that Eumos standards are used by others.

2. Procedure for standardisation within Eumos

- Step 1: Any Eumos expert member can request the creation of a new or revised Eumos standard. This request includes a first draft of this new or revised standard. The request is handed over to any member of the Eumos advisory board.
- Step 2: This member of the Eumos advisory board has to register the request on the agenda of the next meeting of the Eumos advisory board.
- Step 3: The Eumos advisory board advises the Eumos management board on the opportunity of a new / revised standard. A positive advice includes
 - a first draft of the standard
 - a description of purpose and need of the new standard or revision
 - a proposal for a representative technical committee, including a convenor
 - a plan to finance the activities of the technical committee and a planning
- Step 4: The Eumos management board agrees or does not agree on the creation of a new/revised Eumos standard. The Eumos management board also installs a technical committee. All information concerning the new/revised standard is handed over to the convenor of the committee.

- Step 5: The technical committee prepares a final draft of the new/revised standard. The final draft is signed by at least 75% of the members of the technical committee and submitted to the management board.
- Step 6: The management board presents the final draft on the next general assembly . It is approved or not approved according to the decision making process of the general assembly.
- Step 7: In case the final draft is approved, the standard is made available for the Eumos members. The date of publication of the standard is the date of the general assembly or any date later as mentioned in the draft standard. If applicable Eumos members are supposed to behave according to the standard within 3 month after the date of publication.