



SAFER AND CLEANER
USED VEHICLES

USED VEHICLES INFORMATION SHARING SYSTEMS WITH DATA SUPPORT



The **main exporters** of used vehicles to Africa are:



EU



Japan



USA



The Republic of Korea



Africa is a **big continent** with 54 countries and **diverse status of Traffic Safety initiatives**, particularly regarding rules and regulations for the importation and inspections of vehicles for use on Public Roads.



A **regional approach** is adopted to implement used vehicle import regulations.

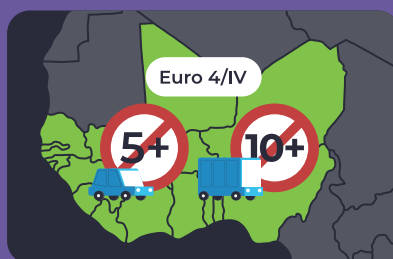


Regulatory requirements should be based on the framework of the 1958, 1998 and 1997 Geneva Agreements.



The import of used vehicles should be seen as a **process** that starts in the exporting countries and ends in the importing countries.

Importing countries are gradually adopting regulations :

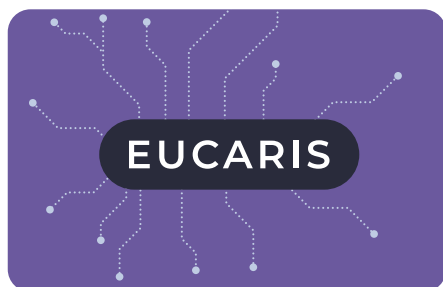


The **15 countries** of ECOWAS sub-region adopted a Vehicles Directive for Euro 4/IV emission standards and used vehicles, age restrictions 5 years maximum for light duty vehicles and 10 years for heavy duty vehicles in 2020.

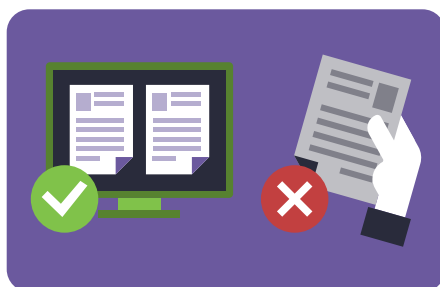


The **East Africa Community** adopted a harmonized **Euro IV/4 emissions standard** for new and used, light and heavy-duty vehicles in 2022.

With commitment in place, it is crucial to establish **communication and data exchange forums** between exporting and importing countries to access historical vehicle data.

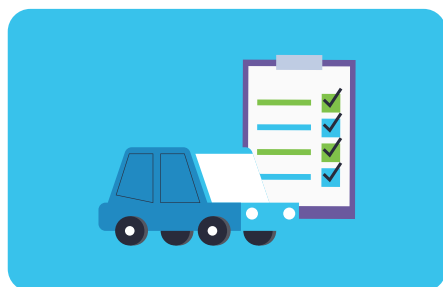


EUCARIS is already a system to interchanging information about vehicles for registration purposes between authorities.



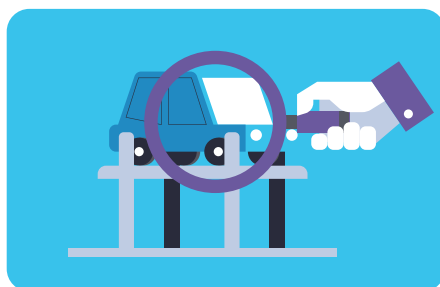
It is also essential that vehicle information and data is available in **electronic format** throughout the complete process and for all parties.

The information that exporting countries shall make available is:



Standards fulfilled by the vehicle when registered for the 1st time:

- Emissions level: i.e. Euro 3/III, Euro 4/IV, ...
- Safety standards fulfilled by the vehicle: frontal crash, side crash, braking system, etc.



Current status of the vehicle:

- Has it been modified? If yes, how?
- Date and result of the last roadworthiness test

Some countries, like The Netherlands and Poland, already make that information available



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IMPLICATIONS

To improve road safety through supporting the development of policies and the adoption of standards on exportation and importation of used vehicles. The aim is to put in place regulations, standards, and processes to ensure that countries will only receive quality used vehicles, which will have major road safety benefits, for both vehicle drivers, road users and co-benefits on the environment and economy.

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