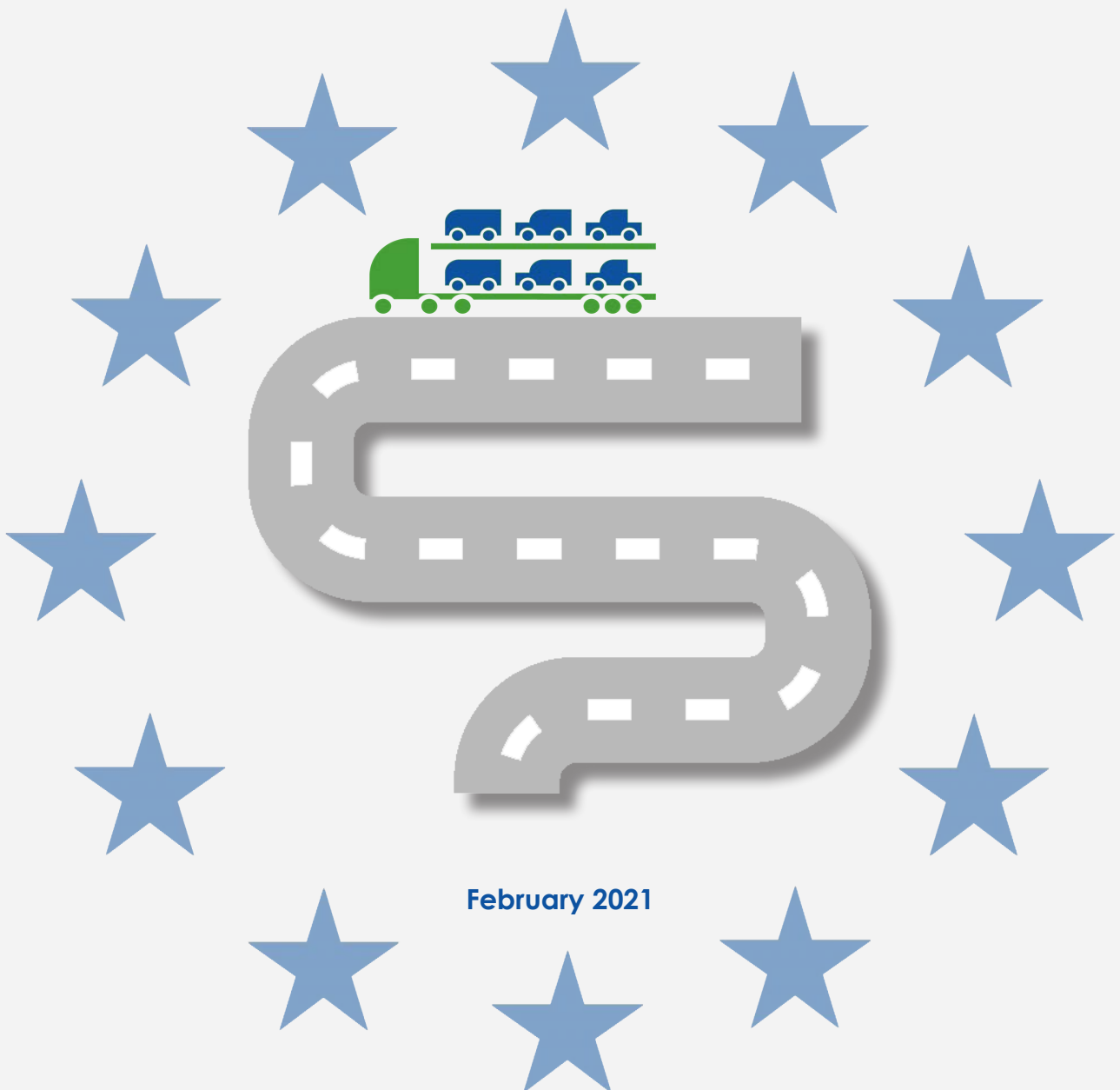
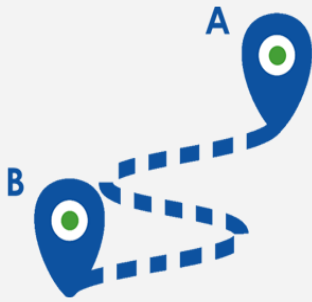


ECG briefing note on cabotage in the European Union



Explanation of the current rules as per Regulation (EC) No 1072/2009 article 8(2)¹



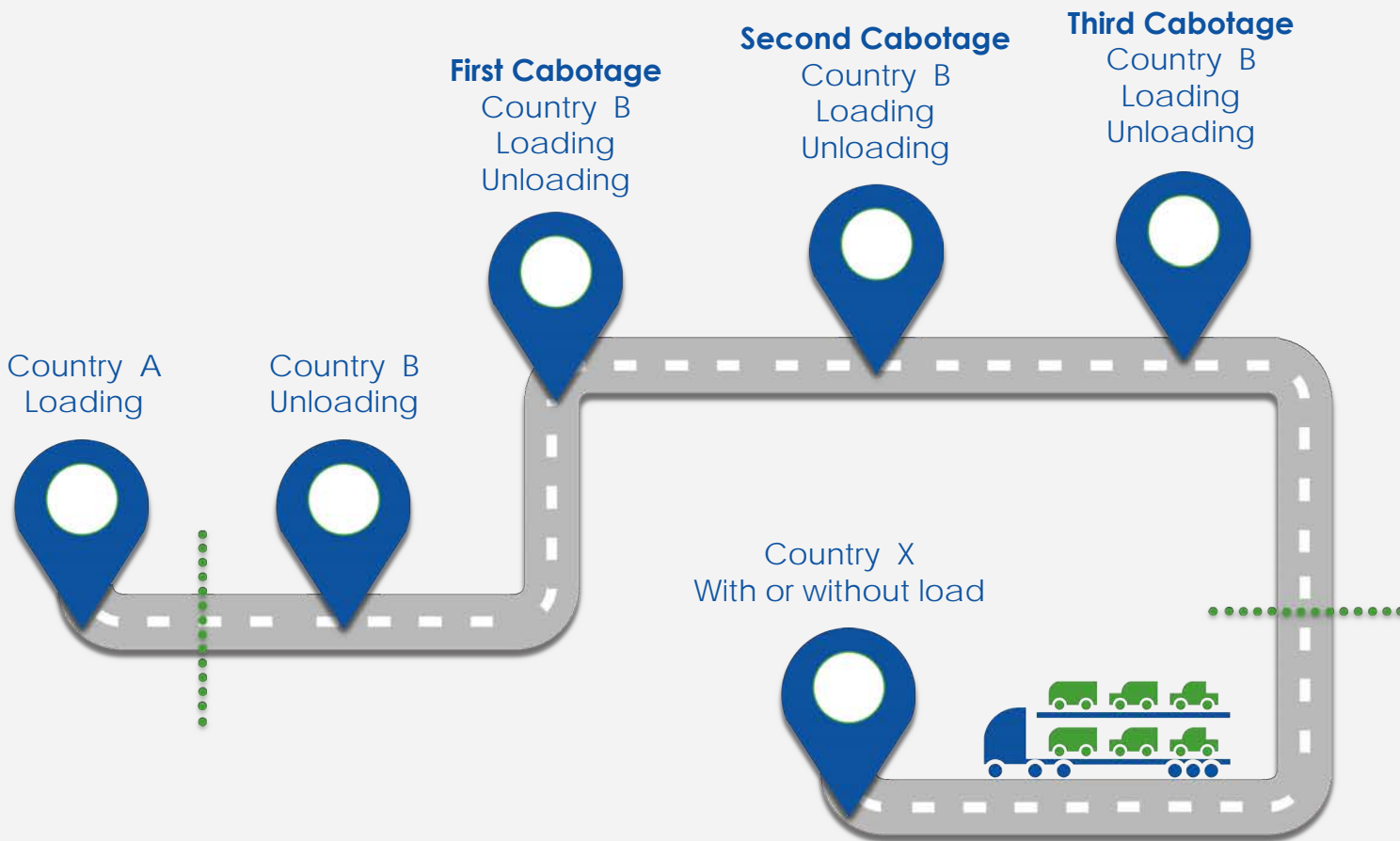
Truck loaded in country A in the EU or the European Economic Area (EEA) performs an international movement² to country B (in the EU or EEA)



Then up to 3 cabotage operations are allowed in country B



All movements must be done within 7 days from completion of the international movement and with the same truck (or tractor unit)



In the European Commission's view multi-drop loads are considered as one cabotage movement. In some countries the authorities might count one CMR as one movement as this is the only audit trail they have. It is thus advised by the European Commission to have one consignment note that covers all the load, with multiple delivery addresses shown.

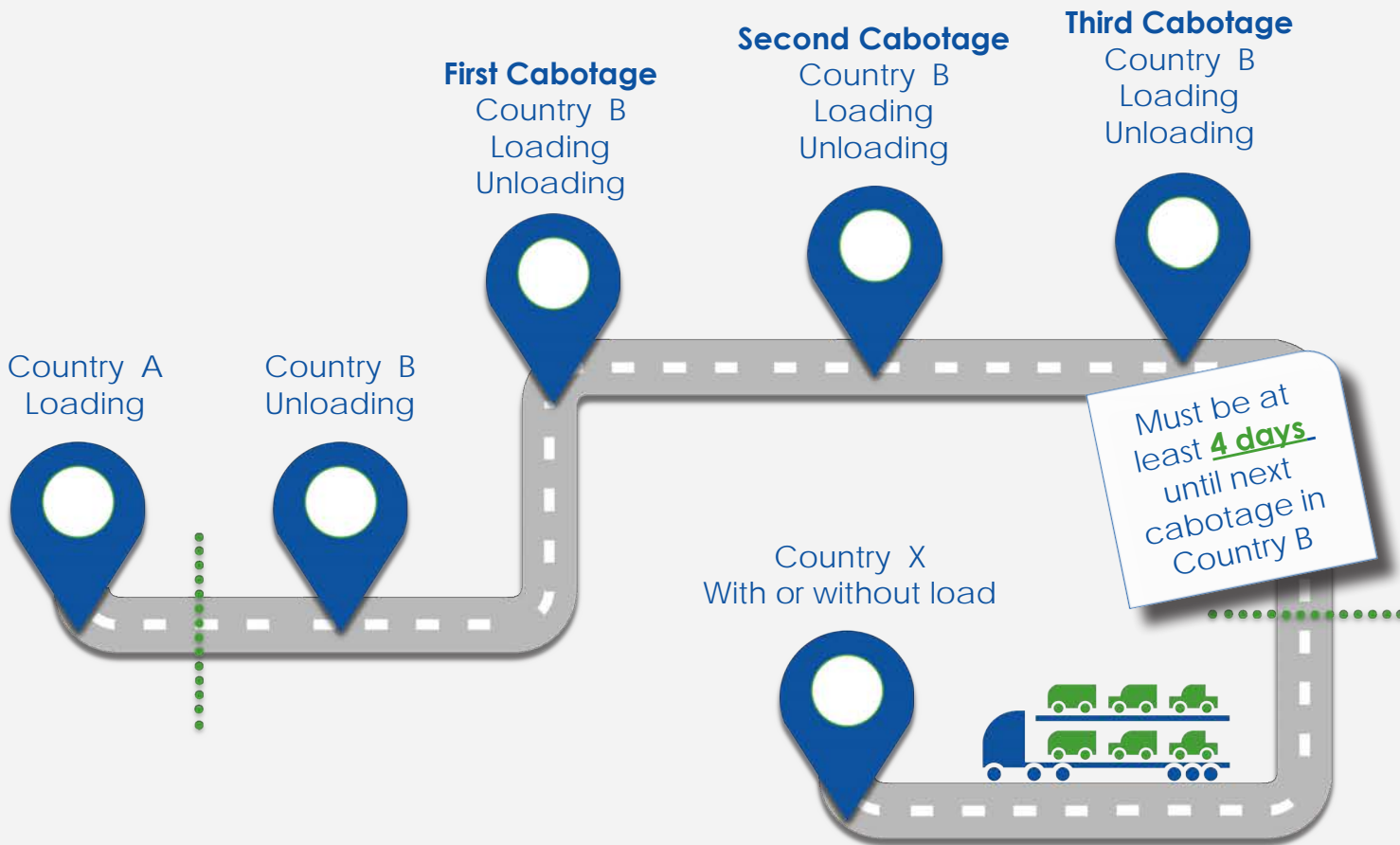
¹ Rules in application since 14 May 2010 and valid until 20 February 2022

² From and to an EU Member State, Norway or Iceland

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Explanation of the upcoming rules as per Regulation (EU) 2020/1055 article 2(4)



To the aforementioned rules the following new rule is added: Hauliers are not allowed to carry out cabotage operations, with the same vehicle (or tractor unit), in the same Member State within four days following the end of the last cabotage operation in that Member State.



In addition, Directive 2020/1057 (EU) on the posting of drivers in the road transport sector will also become relevant for cabotage, as a driver performing cabotage operations shall be considered as a posted worker as of 2 February 2022.³



This will impact the administration processes



Social protection of drivers will be enhanced, which include

- the minimum rates of pay, including overtime rates.
- minimum paid annual holidays.
- health, safety and hygiene at work.



Compliance monitoring will take full advantage of digital tachographs

³ ECG will publish a separate note on the changes relevant to posting of workers in due course