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For **passports** issued after 24 November 2005 and which are not machine readable, Contracting States shall ensure the expiration date falls before 24 November 2015

→ **Standard 3.10.1 of Annex 9**

Overview

1. ICAO STANDARDS

2. HISTORY OF 3.10.1

3. STATE LETTER EC6/3-12/70

4. STATUS OF RESPONSES

1. ICAO STANDARDS

Assembly, Council, other bodies

Council: adopt international standards & recommended practices (Annexes)

Annex 9: Customs, Immigration, Health, Quarantine

Standard: Specification whose uniform observance is **necessary** & non-compliance to be notified under **Art. 38**

RP: Generally practicable & highly desirable: States to endeavour to conform

1. ICAO STANDARDS

Standard 3.10.1 of Annex 9

. . . . Contracting States shall ensure the expiration date falls before 24 November 2015.

→ **BINDING** unless (Art. 38)
“Difference” filed

1. ICAO STANDARDS

1. Proposal (e.g. FAL Panel)



2. Air Transport Committee review



3. State Letter seeking comments from States



4. Air Transport Committee: Final review



5. ICAO Council: Adoption of Amendment



6. State Letter: Notification, Disapprovals, Differences

2. HISTORY OF 3.10.1

1. 12TH FACILITATION DIVISION (2004, Cairo)

→ 1 April 2010 deadline for MRP-issuance

2. ATC (June 2004): States should issue MRPs as soon as possible

→ anti-terrorism

→ security of air travel system

→ all persons have same access to modern, efficient facilities at border controls

→ non-MRP long-validity: universal possession of MRPs realized much later than 2010

2. HISTORY OF 3.10.1

3. State Letter (July 2004): FAL/12 proposals + ATC's views

→ Need for an additional provision?

- date after which non-machine readable passports would no longer be valid for travel; or,
- deadline by which all persons holding non-MRPs would have to replace them with new MRPs before travelling

4. ATC (2005: Final review): “Sunset” date

→ RP: States should encourage its nationals holding passports that are not machine readable, to apply for new MRPs by 1 April 2015

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2. HISTORY OF 3.10.1

5. Council (2005) compromise on: a) 1 April 2010
deadline for MRPs

→ Standard 3.10

b) 24 Nov 2015 phase-out of non-MRPs

→ Standard 3.10.1

2. HISTORY OF 3.10.1

For passports issued after 24 November 2005 and which are not machine readable, Contracting States shall ensure the expiration date falls before 24 November 2015 [“phase out” of non-MRPs]

6. State Letter (2005): “Particular attention” drawn to new Standards concerning the universal issuance of Machine Readable Passports (MRPs).

3. STATE LETTER EC6/3-12/70

- **ICBWG/TAG-MRTD:**

- a) raise awareness; b) ensure States have adequate time to comply with Standard

- **State Letter dated 31 December 2012**

- Brief background of issue

- Governments urged to invite citizens holding non-MRPs to apply for MRPs

- Questionnaire: gather information on worldwide application of 3.10.1 – determine action to promote implementation

3. STATE LETTER EC6/3-12/70

QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME OF STATE: _____

Please circle the appropriate response.

1. All *non-machine readable passports* have expired, or are due to expire, before 24 November 2015 **Yes/No**

If the answer is “**Yes**”, please skip to Question 3.

2. If the answer to Question 1 is “**No**”, please respond to the following questions:
 - 2.1 The number of non-machine readable passports in circulation beyond 24 November 2015 will be approximately
 - 2.2 All non-machine readable passports are due to expire by (date)

3. STATE LETTER EC6/3-12/70

(Responses as at 30/9/13)

ICAO REGION	TOTAL RESPONSES	Q1: YES	Q2: NO	REMARKS Q.2.1/2.2
APAC	16/38	14	2	217/2016 1.5m/2020
ESAF	6/24	6	0	–
EURNAT	25/56	23	2	300,000/2017 50,000/2018
MID	9/15	9	0	–
NACC	10/21	9	1	–/2017
SAM	3/13	3	0	–
WACAF	5/24	5	0	–
TOTALS	74/191	69	5	–

CONCLUSION: WHAT NEXT?

Governments: Invite citizens holding non-MRPs to apply for MRPs

ICAO: 1. Promoting implementation: Seminars & other events

2. (Individual) Follow-up State Letter (?)

THANK YOU!

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