

TRANSACTION DECLARATIONS INFORMATION DOCUMENT

INTRODUCTION

This document aims to explain what Transaction Declarations are, what they are used for and how they are controlled within the OBP Certification Program. Specific certification requirements related to Transaction Declarations are found in the corresponding OBP standard available on the program website (www.obpcert.org), on the document center. This document is "for information only" in case any discrepancies are found between this document and the standards and their complementary documents, the later prevails.

WHAT IS A TRANSACTION DECLARATION?

Transaction Declarations (TDs) are an essential component of the OBP certification program to allow traceability in changes in ownership of OBP products between companies on the supply chain. Certified companies within the Recycling Subprogram¹ are required to issue a TD with every sale of OBP products to a third party (even if the buyer does not request it), given it serves as evidence of their certified status' and products' validity.

TDs contain information about seller and buyer, seller's scope certificate and the products transacted. Each TD is registered in a registry held by ZPO and has a unique identifier that serves to prove its authenticity. TDs are also useful to verify OBP mass balances for certified companies. TDs are only shared with certification bodies during audits, and not shared with any other third party since they contain confidential commercial information.

HOW ARE TRANSACTION DECLARATIONS ISSUED?

Once certified companies receive their scope certificate, ZPO will send them a username to be able to use the TD tool with a link to reset the password. There is only one authorized username/email combination per certified company.

For issuing the TD, certified companies simply need to access the following page of the obpcert.org website: https://www.obpcert.org/obp-transaction-declarations/ and fill in the required information. Upon completion, the TD will be sent as an email

¹ There is a possibility for a company certified to the OBP-NEU-STD to also a TD if selling Non-Commercially Recyclable OBP as a mean of treatment, within the provisions of the standard. But that possibility is scare as most of the NCR OBP is naturally not treated through recycling.







automatically to the certified company. ZPO also receives a copy of each email sent with the TD and the information of each TD is archived in a database.

REGISTRATION PROCESS AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT

The above-mentioned webpage is only accessible to registered users. ZPO is managing the registration process for every new certified company creating a login and a link to set a password and sending this information by email. By default, ZPO uses the contact email registered in the certification body application form to create the user and sending the account information. The login is automatically set to expire at the time the scope certificate expires. When the company renews the certificate the expiration date is changed accordingly, but no new users or password are created, the company uses the same information.

HANDLING OF ERRORS

It is common, even if the process is straightforward and all steps are clearly indicated on the webpage, that certified companies make mistakes in the template and issue a TD with errors, especially at the beginning. The information of the TD cannot be corrected, so if a mistake is made, ZPO requests certified companies to contact ZPO directly by email to get the faulty TD deleted. Upon confirmation of the deletion the company can issue a new TD. ZPO keeps a copy of the eliminated faulty TD and the new one. If a new TD is issued without having the deletion confirmation of the erroneous TD, the transaction will be counted twice, resulting in an anomaly in the certified company mass balance.

ACCESS TO TD INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATION BODIES (CBS)

To verify if TDs have been properly issued or to check the authenticity of TDs, , CBs have access to a private page on the obpcert.org website. This page displays the list of all issued TDs content (without the identity of the buyer). Address of this page and password is provided by ZPO to the CB's certifier(s).

UPDATES OF THE TD FORMAT

The TD format has been recently updated on 01/01/2024 to include Social + OPB. The TD is also extended to include up to 5 different products per TD and the Source information cell (for Identity preserved supply chain model only) has been removed since this model is very seldom used. The TD format is also updated from 1 page to 2 pages.







ANNEX 1

Screenshot of the TD issuance page for certified companies









ANNEX 2

Dummy Completed TD



OBP TRANSACTION DECLARATION



DECLARATION DATA				
Declaration Unique Identifier		2. Declaration Date		
wpf65b24c5e360359.12816226		2024-01-25		
TRANSACTING PARTIES				
3. Selling Organization		4. Buying Caniza		
Name: Organization Selling OBP		Name Organization Buying OBP		
Address: Street Number, Street name, District, C Country	ity, Post Code,	Stree. Number, Street name, District, City, Post Code, Country		
5. Seller Scope Certificate (SC)	6. OBP Standard	et or Invoice Numb. related to the Transaction		
Number: Scope123456		yanization 'nvoice 01/0? 01		
Validity date: 2024-01-25	(C)			



OBY TRANSACTION DECLARATION



Proc. + Nan.	Pr duct Code (as per Seller S ope Certifi (4e)	OBP Category	Product Weight (metric tons)	% of OBP in Product	OBP Weight (metric tons)
BP Prr Juct Name	OBP Prount roue	Shoreline OBP	10	100	10
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If the number of lines is insufficient to cover all the products sold in that transaction more declarations shall be made, using the same invoice/continue "Part1", "Part2" and so on for each Transaction Declaration as needed.

For any doubt, question or concern with this declaration please contact Zero Plastic Oceans through the OBP Program website (www.obpect.org).

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