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National Codification Bureau of Estonia



REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA
CENTRE FOR
DEFENCE INVESTMENT

AIM

- To manage Estonian Codification system in conformity with the NATO Codification System (NCS) based on rules and regulations established in AC/135.
- To identify and codify items of supply produced by Estonian manufacturers, assign NATO Commercial and Governmental Entity (NCAGE) codes and exchange codification data with other National Codification Bureaus.
- To maintain a Total Item Record (TIR) that stores identification data for each codified item of supply.
- To support the Estonian Defence Forces logistics and the objective of the interoperability at the national and international level.
- Manage item of supply and related data in the ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) system of Estonian Defence Forces.

ORGANISATION

Estonian NCB is responsible for Estonia's codification policy and the coordination of all codification activities for the armed services and other organisations.

Organisationally NCB is part of the Estonian Centre for Defence Investment (ECDI) which is governed by the Ministry of Defence.

The Estonian NCB is responsible for codification policy and assigns of the Estonian NCAGEs and NSN's.

EST NCB represents Estonia in Allied Committee 135 (AC/135).

HISTORY

1994	Partnership for Peace invitation
1995	Establishing Technical Bureau of Department of Logistics Under MoD
1996	Sponsorship Agreement with AC/135
1997	Establishing Department of Information Technology and Communications under MoD
1999	Establishing Department of Logistics under MoD Bilateral Agreement on codification with German NCB
2000	Establishing Codification Bureau of the Department of Logistics under MoD Signing BASELOG Subscription Agreement
2001	Memorandum of Understanding on codification with Danish NCB Signing Adagio Conjoint Agreement Signing Memorandum of Understanding with NAMSO
2002	Installation of codification tool ADAGIO Codification data exchange started

	Bilateral Data Exchange Agreement with Canada
2004	Estonia becomes a new member of NATO
	Bilateral Reciprocal Codification Agreement with USA
	Codification Bureau moved from MoD to Logistic Centre of Estonian Defence Forces
2012	Estonia started using codification tool MC CATALOGUE as a service (developed by Czech company AURA s.r.o)
2013	Member of MC Catalogue User Group.
2019	Codification Bureau moved from Logistic Centre of Estonian Defence Forces under the authority of Estonian Centre for Defence Investment.

MAIN TASKS

- Perform functions related to Estonian codification and standardization.
- Develop and control item identification in accordance with the doctrine of the NATO codification system.
- To provide and manage codification system at national level with the assistance and participation of representatives of the user communities of codification system.
- To develop, acquire, provide, distribute and enforce effective policies, and procedures for national codification.
- To act as the exclusive focal point at both national and international level for all matters related to codification and cataloguing within the Defence Forces.
- To ensure a high degree of professionalism and continuity within the codification workforce through the development, maintenance and sustaining of the working seminars.
- To represent the Estonia in all international NATO codification activities and special interest groups such as the AC/135 panel.
- To ensure maximum compatibility between NSPA, NATO countries and other foreign countries on codification matters.
- Maintain the Total Item Record and administer automated codification tool MC Catalogue.
- Manage item of supply and related data in the ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) system of Estonian Defence Forces.

CODIFICATION TOOL

The tool for codifying items of supply according to NCS rules is MC CATALOGUE (MCC). MCC has been developed by the Czech company AURA s.r.o. located in Brno. Estonia has used MC CATALOGUE since 2012.

SEGMENTS USED BY ESTONIA

In addition to input header and output header Item Identification Data are stored in MCC under the following segments:

- Segment A Identification Data
- Segment B MOE Rule Data
- Segment C Reference Data
- Segment V Coded Characteristics Data

ESTONIAN TIR

Currently the Total Item Record (TIR) consists of 10 409 active national NSNs - about 9007 of them are fully described, 397 partly described and 1005 – without description; and of 364 active NCAGEs.