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National weapons legislation

- Based on data as provided by EA Member States in 2009; verified in September 2015
by CIT Committee members against their national rules in place today -

WEAPONS DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF CIT-TRANSPORT (cfr. Non-paper of 17.7.2009)

Weapons mandatory (M), allowed (A) or prohibited (P)

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Belgium	A	A	A (*)	A	A (*)	A	Pistol 9 mm and revolver maximum 10 mm. Weapons are always allowed never mandatory. (*) those activities are not allowed in Belgium: banknotes without IBNS and coins with unarmoured vehicle.
Luxembourg	A	A	M	N/A	A*)	M	Handguns (revolvers and pistols) of calibre .357 MAG, .38 SPL, 9mm Para or similar. *) The question of transport of coins in an unarmoured vehicle is understood as a transport of less than 100.000 Euros. Above this amount, the vehicle must be armoured and carrying of weapons is in that case also mandatory.
The Netherlands	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Germany	A	Not in use	A/M*)	n/a	A	Not in use	In accordance with the German Firearms Act, all arms are permitted for which a firearms licence is required. Smith & Wesson .38 special handguns are normally used in Germany. Regulations stipulate, however, that no weapon-like “devices”, such as weapons deploying blank shots, gas or irritants may be used. *) No specific legal requirements, but laid down in insurance agreements.

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France	A	A	M	A	P	P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transport > 30,000 €: Banknotes : either armoured vehicle with 3 armed people, including the driver; or cabin-armoured vehicle with as many IBNS as served points and at least 2 armed people including the driver; or unarmoured vehicle with as many IBNS as served points and unarmed people. Coins : armoured vehicle is mandatory (as no IBNS is efficient to protect coins) Transport < 30,000 €: all the rules described above are also applicable but by exception, it is possible to use an unarmoured vehicle with IBNS and one armed people (to transport banknotes) and unarmoured vehicle with unarmed people (to transport coins)
Italy	M	M	M	M	M	M, but not much in use	CIT security staff should use common firearms – short-barelled. Only under exceptional circumstances, can long-barelled firearms be used (art. 42 of TULPS); War firearms and war type firearms (common firearms with war ammunition) are forbidden.
Spain	Not used	Not used	M ^{*)}	Not used	M ^{**)}	M ^{**)}	^{*)} Revolver Caliber 38 / Shotgun / Caliber 12 ^{**)} Revolver Caliber 38 / Shotgun / Caliber 12
Portugal	A	---	A	A	A	---	Small weapons (class B1: pistol or revolver) - authorised for pistols of calibre inferior to 7,65 mm - authorised for revolvers of calibre inferior to .38
Slovakia	A	A	A	A	A	A	Permitted type and calibre of weapons are not determined.

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Austria	A not used by the industry	Not in use	A, M due to industry standard	Not in use	A partially used by some carriers	Not in use	Mainly Glock 9mm or S&W 38
Slovenia	M	M	M	M	M	M	
Cyprus			P		P		
Ireland			P		P		
Finland	A	A	A	A	A	A	Handgun, Pistol 9mm, Revolver 38 / 357

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Estonia (2011)							<p>Permitted type and calibre of weapons are not determined. Security companies are allowed to use:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) guns with a smoothbore barrel; 2) guns with a rifled barrel; 3) pistols; 4) revolvers; 5) gas pistols; 6) gas revolvers; 7) truncheons. <p>Security companies are allowed to transport 2 million euros or more only with police knowledge and permission. Transporting Central Bank money is covered by police force. Depends are amount and security risk police a allowed to use automatic weapons.</p>

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Latvia (2014)	A	A	A	A	A	A	For the performance of security guard activities, category B semi-automatic, non-automatic or single-shot firearms and category B, C or D long-barrelled-smooth-bore firearms that are classified as service firearms may be used.
Lithuania (2015)	A	A	A	A	A	A	Private security service is allowed to use guns with a smooth bore barrel, pistols and revolvers. Calibre of weapon is not determined.

No answers from EL, MT