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Russia Track and Trace Requirements: Getting Started



If your company manufactures, ships, or distributes products for the Russian market, you may be struggling to understand the upcoming track and trace requirements: the regulation introduces the most complex and comprehensive serialization and reporting mandates the industry has seen to date.

Start your planning with this overview infographic, covering the regulation, its scope, and who it affects, including:

- The deadlines for different products.
- The events that must be reported on.
- What companies will need to do in order to comply.

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A guide to the upcoming mandates affecting companies manufacturing or importing medicinal products into Russia.

WHAT IS LAW 425-FZ?

The regulation aims to:

- Prevent illegitimate medicines entering Russia
- Ensure the quality of medicines
- Monitor expenditure, supply and demand

KEY DATES & DEADLINES

Based on the most recent updates to the law, these deadlines are now in effect:

December 31, 2019
Compliance deadline for the 7 HCN/Nosologies drugs.

July 1, 2020
Compliance deadline for all medicines being manufactured in Russia or imported into Russia.

CRITICAL DRUG CATEGORIES

Certain categories of drugs deemed as being critical to specific treatments or at risk of widespread shortages are subject to serialization, reporting, and verification requirements as of December 31, 2019.

- **7 HCN/Nosologies drugs:** treatment for rare medical conditions with expensive treatments, such as haemophilia, cystic fibrosis, pituitary dwarfism, Gaucher disease, multiple sclerosis, and immunosuppressive therapy for organ transplant patients.

WHO DOES IT AFFECT?

Everyone in the pharmaceutical supply chain is involved:

Pharmaceutical Manufacturer/MAH*	Importer	3PL	Distributor	Dispenser
SERIALIZE – Product at secondary & tertiary packaging levels	VERIFY	VERIFY – Accept order	VERIFY – Accept order	VERIFY – Accept order
AGGREGATE – Document parent-child relationships		AGGREGATE – Document parent-child relationships		
REPORT – Foreign shipment, Product data, Pack data	REPORT – Sampling	REPORT – Move destruction, Withdrawal	REPORT – Move order	REPORT – Retail sale

*Note: OMS, distributors or dispensers could be involved depending on the distribution channels of MAHs for secure-ready products.

REPORTING AND NOTIFICATIONS

Companies report to a central system via electronic documents in XML format. Compliance reporting will be time-bound and must be submitted in the correct sequence a company can't submit its report until the previous company in the supply chain has submitted its report.

In addition to submitting reports to a central regulatory system, Russian regulations also require that companies be able to manage upstream and downstream notifications between trade partners triggered by a wide range of compliance events.

WHICH PRODUCTS ARE INCLUDED?

All drugs manufactured or imported into Russia are subject to the requirements:

- Prescription drug products
- Over the counter (OTC) products

WHAT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED?

Pharmaceutical manufacturers must apply a serialized barcode to the packaging of their products at the secondary (saleable unit) and tertiary (case) levels. This is a 2D Data Matrix barcode and must include 4 encrypted data elements:

1. Product code / GTIN
2. Serial number
3. Crypto key
4. Crypto code

What is encryption?
Encryption scrambles data using an algorithm or cipher. A long string of data, called a cryptographic key, works like a password to protect the file. The only way to read it is by using the key to decrypt (unscramble) the data.

A NOTE ON AGGREGATION

The Russian regulation will require products to be aggregated, and that changes to the parent-child relationships be tracked through the supply chain. For example, if a case is opened up and a unit removed for sampling, the related aggregation events and new relationships must be reported to the government.

WHAT KIND OF EVENTS NEED TO BE TRACKED? AND HOW MANY?

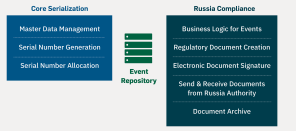
The Russian law requires the tracking of several dozen events which vary based on the manufacturer's business operations.



UP TO 35 EVENTS
For product manufactured outside of Russia

WHAT CORE CAPABILITIES ARE REQUIRED?

In order to meet Russian regulations, a compliance solution will need to incorporate company-specific business logic and complex reporting functionality.



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