



Regulation

ON TRASFER OF SUBSCRIBER'S NUMBER INFORMATION IN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

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The Finnish Communications Regulatory Authority (FICORA) has, under sections 63 and 129 of the Communications Market Act (393/2003) of 23 May 2003, prescribed as follows:

Section 1

Scope of application

This Regulation applies to transfer of a subscriber's number information in a telephone service provided in a public communications network.

Section 2

Definitions

Calling line number in this Regulation means the number of the access from which the call originates.

Connected line number in this Regulation means the number of the access to which the call is connected.

Forwarding line number in this Regulation means the number of the access from which the call is forwarded.

Telephone service in this Regulation means a communications service enabling a user to make and receive national and international calls and to use emergency services by means of a number or numbers specified in the national or international numbering plan.

Subscriber's number information in this Regulation means the *calling line number* and the *connected line number*.

Section 3

Application of standards

Detailed technical characteristics of the requirements of this Regulation are specified in standards. Regulations primarily make use of national standards implementing the standards issued by ETSI, CEN or CENELEC and to which a reference is made in the Official Journal of the European Union; secondary sources are other national standards or standards issued by ETSI, CEN or CENELEC when they exist. If no European standards exist within the specific area, ITU recommendations, ISO or IEC standards or other publicly adopted and available specifications, issued for example by IETF, shall be used.

Section 4

Transfer of calling line number

The calling line number must be transferred between telecommunications operators in a telephone service provided in public communications networks.

The telecommunications operator shall ensure that the transferred calling line number, and in case of call forwarding the forwarded number, is correct and unambiguous. The calling line number and the forwarding line number which the telecommunications operator transfers to another operator shall facilitate correct charging. In addition, the calling line number transferred by the telecommunications operator shall within technical limitations be such that it is possible to call back to this access using the number.

As a general rule, the calling line number must not be changed when it is transferred through the communications network. Exception to this is transfer of the calling line number to a subscriber access, as appropriate prefixes to the calling line number must be added, or situations regarding number portability or other intelligent network applications, where the directory number shall be transferred instead of the access number.

Should the calling line number for technical reasons regularly be incorrect, the outgoing national traffic exchange or the incoming international traffic exchange may set the calling line identification restricted in the outgoing signalling irrespective of the default setting received by the exchange. Also in this case the calling line number is transferred to the address exchange but the address exchange will not send the number to the subscriber access, unless a special situation specified in statutes requires such efforts.

When telecommunications terminal equipment is connected to an access of more than one communications network (parallel use of the directory number), only numbers belonging to the number series of the operator concerned are used in signalling as the calling party number, unless the operators agree otherwise.

Section 5

Transfer of calling line number in international connections

When receiving a call from abroad with calling line number including the country code for Finland, the country code shall be removed in accordance with standards before the call is routed to the national network.

Section 6

Addition of prefixes to the calling line number

In local and trunk calls the calling line number is presented to the called and connected subscriber as a national significant number added with the national trunk prefix 0. A carrier access code is not used.

For international calls in mobile networks the + sign is added as the international prefix; for calls in a fixed telephone network the international prefix 00 is added. Alternatively, in a fixed telephone network an operator-specific international access code may be added in case the individual subscribers may determine the desired code.

Section 7

Transfer of connected line number

The connected line number is transferred between telecommunications operators in a telephone service provided in public communications networks in case the operators have agreed on this.

The telecommunications operator shall ensure that the transferred connected line number is correct and unambiguous. The connected line number transferred by the operator shall within the technical limitations be such that using the number it is possible to make a call again to the access concerned.

As a general rule, the connected line number must not be changed when it is transferred through the communications network. Exception to this is transfer of the connected line number to a subscriber access, as appropriate prefixes must be added to the connected line number, or, situations regarding number portability or other intelligent network applications where the directory number shall be transferred instead of the access number.

When telecommunications terminal equipment is connected to an access of more than one network (parallel use of the directory number), only numbers belonging to the number series of the operator concerned are used in signalling as connected line numbers, unless the operators agree otherwise.

Section 8

Addition of prefixes to the connected line number

In local and trunk calls the connected line number is presented to the calling line as a national significant number added with the national trunk prefix 0. A carrier access code is not used.

For international calls in mobile networks the + sign is added as the international prefix; for calls in a fixed telephone network the international prefix 00 is added. Alternatively, in a fixed telephone network an operator-specific international access code may be added in case the individual subscribers may determine the desired code.

Section 9

Period of validity

This Regulation enters into force on 16 March 2010 and will remain in force until further notice. This Regulation repeals FICORA's Regulation 49 C/2005 M of 1 April 2005 on transfer of subscriber's number information in communications networks.

Section 10

Information and publication

This Regulation is included in the Series of Regulations issued by the Finnish Communications Regulatory Authority and it can be obtained from the FICORA Customer Service Office:

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