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How Portuguese Customs support the Combat against Counterfeiting

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Customs **Tools** available for dealing and fighting counterfeit



Four main aspects needs to be invoked



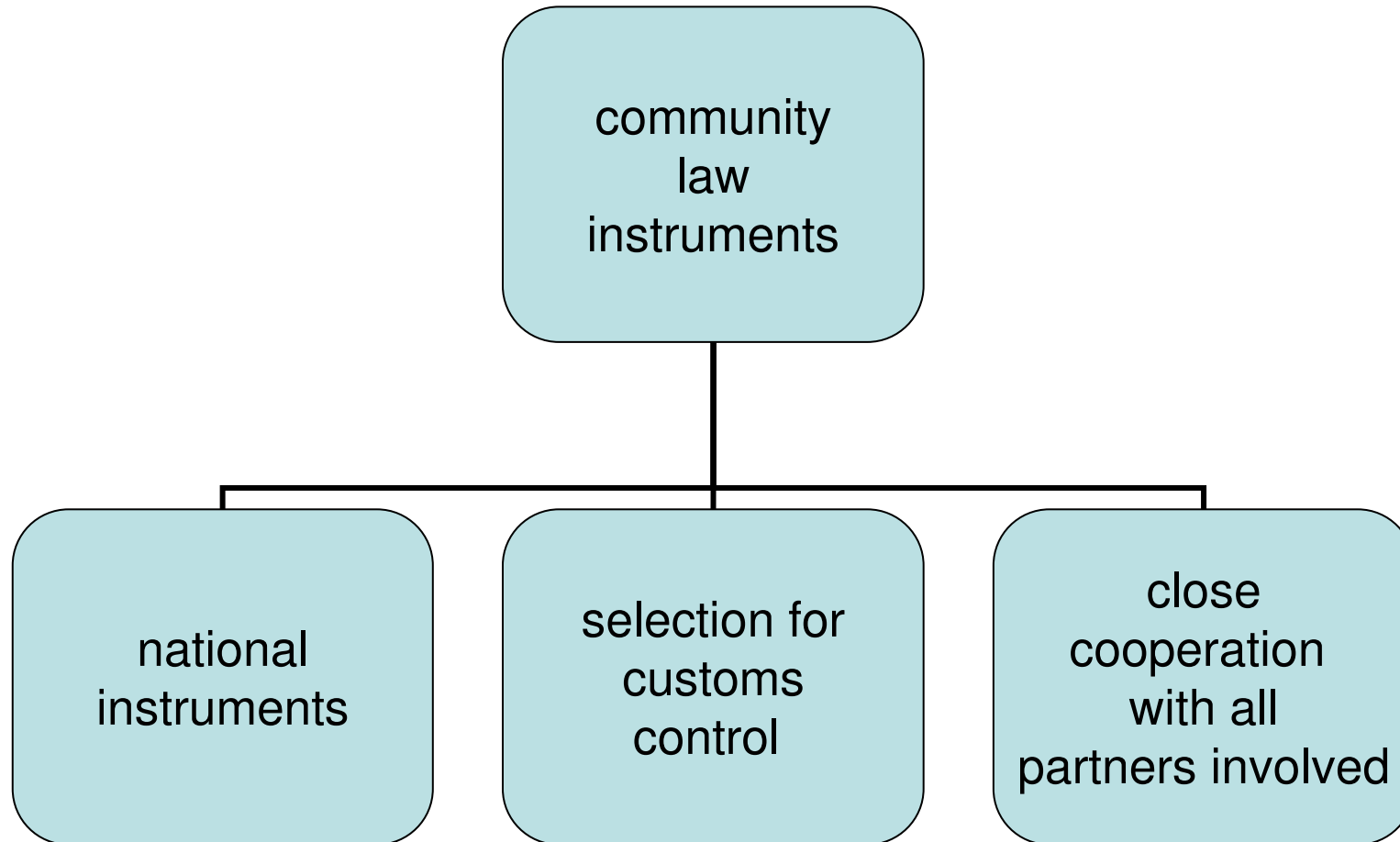


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Communitary aspect

Two main legal instruments:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1383/2003 of 22 July
- Commission Regulation (EC) N^o [1891/2004](#) of 21 October, recently amended by Regulation N^o 1172/2007 of 5 October.





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National aspect

- Industrial property code
- Instructions for implementation of communitary regulations
- Protocol with INPI
- Customs website www.dgaiec.min-financas.pt



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- exchange of information between local customs offices and other law enforcement agencies
- an intranet database is being developed
- an expert group for training “on job”, is under study
- national customs action plan – operational contact points network.



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Selection for control aspects

Risk analysis - working method

At national level:

- Study of trends
- Frame of risk indicators, shared via warning alerts or risk profiles
- Automated targeting system (implemented for **EXP.** and under development for **IMP.**)



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Selection for control aspects

Risk analysis - working method

At local level:

- Use of the intelligence products disseminated nationally
- Screen of all documentation/information data, presented together with Customs declaration





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Co – operational aspect

- . Customs-business partnership
- . Close cooperation with other national and international law enforcement agencies sharing field actions targeting all kind of counterfeit products
- . Seminars, meetings, workshops, training sessions
- . Membership of a High Level Anti-Counterfeiting Group with other 4 more national authorities (constructing together a specific site)



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Nowadays:

Applications for customs action

- lodged in paper by right holders (with all documentation)
- Kept in paper (spread to all local customs in paper)

Statistical seizures (Commission)

- send in EXCEL map.



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Near Future:

Applications for customs action

- lodged in paper by right holders (with all documentation)
- collected in system to be accessible to all local and central customs in all M.S.

Statistical seizures (Commission)

- M.S. can register the records directly in the new IT system.



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To increase citizens security, Portuguese Customs, is engaged, at our borders, and by all means, to fight against this phenomenon that damages honest business, costs billions in lost revenues and lines the pockets of criminals instead of funding public services.

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