

SESSION TEMPLATE

Basic Training for European Border and Coast Guard Standing Corps (Category 1)

Module: MODULE 4: Border checks and return Chapter: BC&R 11 2.7 Return	
Session: BC&R 11/1 Introduction to return: return process, legal framework	
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Session 1(5): BCR 11/1_2.7.1	
Introduction to return (theory)	
Session 1: Introduction to Return: Return process, Legal Framework.	
Session Aim: To establish prior knowledge regarding return in general and introduce the concept of return and the role of Frontex in return matters.	
Chapter/Subject	Learning outcomes
2.7.1.	LO1: Describe the return concept and role of Frontex within the EU integrated return management framework.
2.7.1.	LO2: List EU standards and laws relevant to return.
Training environment and facilities: Contact classroom for 20 learners (U shape)	
Training equipment: Laptop or tablet, beamer, flipchart/whiteboard, markers.	
Planned max. number of learners: 20 learners	Planned min. number of trainers and their specific expertise: 1 (expertise in pre-return matters)
Trainer needs: Power Point presentation No 1, projector, WiFi, flipchart/whiteboard, markers, topic cards.	
Learner needs: Notebook or paper, pen/pencil; optional: WiFi, digital device (laptop, mobile, tablet).	
Duration of the session: 1 x 45 min.	
Description of learning activities and the time for each activity: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Activating exercise to establish prior knowledge - 15 mins <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Quiz (using tools like Mentimeter, Kahoot, Socrative, etc. OR print-outs) to map the prior knowledge of trainees. 3-5 questions on main concepts to be dealt with in more detail later on during the introductory sessions. Make sure to provide the correct answer to each question. Explanations will follow later in the day. b. See questions in Note at the end of this document. 2. Lecture: “Return policy in the EU and the role of Frontex” - 30 mins <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Brief historical overview of the growing importance of return at the EU level (role of the migration crisis in 2015 and the Communications issued by COM stressing the 	

essential importance to link effective returns with achieving a well-functioning area of freedom, security and justice) - 10 mins

- b. Introducing the Return Directive in broad terms - main points of relevance without going into detail on specific Articles - 10 mins
- c. Role of Frontex in return matters - a very general overview based on Reg. 2019/1896, incl. voluntary return - 10 mins.

Learner Support and Feedback to learners:

Formative, when discussing the results from the quiz.

Assessment:

The LOs of this session are assessed at the end of the chapter in theoretical test.

Learning material:

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Essential:

- Directive 2008/115/EC (Return Directive)
- Regulation 2019/1896 (EBCGA 2.0)

Recommended:

- COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT on EU Return Policy (COM(2014) 199 final).
- EU Agenda on migration
- EU Action plan on return
- EU renewed Action plan on return

Note:

Questions to establish prior knowledge:

1. Which of the following is applicable for return operations:

- a) International law
- b) EU law
- c) National law
- d) **All of the above**

2. The document setting out the procedural standards and fundamental rights safeguards for Joint Return Operations coordinated by Frontex is called: Mark the correct answer.

- a) Code of Conduct Applicable to All Persons Participating in Frontex Operational Activities
- b) EU Return Handbook
- c) **Code of Conduct for Joint Return Operations by Air**
- d) Joint Return Operations Directive

3. It is legitimate for Member States to return illegally staying third-country nationals, provided that a fair and efficient system of international protection is in place, with full respect to the fundamental principle of: Mark the correct answer.

- a) Proportionality
- b) **Non-refoulement**
- c) Fair trial
- d) Necessity

4. In the documentation related to return operations by air, the term "FIT-TO-FLY FORM" or "FIT-TO-TRAVEL " is related to:

- a) Technical conditions of the airplane
- b) Medical condition of the escorts
- c) Medical condition of the crew
- d) Medical condition of the returnee

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