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## Introduction

In the Green paper on postal services [1992] the European Commission emphasised the need to establish common rules for the development of community postal services and the improvement of quality of service. The Commission identified requirements for quality of service measurement that included the reliability of services and treatment of problems of loss, theft and damage.

CEN was asked to draw up standards related to the methodology for the measurement of loss of mail at reasonable cost for some mail types within the universal service.

This standard refers to a number of principles and minimum requirements to be applied for the measurement of the level of loss of domestic and cross-border registered letter mail.



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