

## DTS – Workaround Vs Full Aggregation

### FULL AGGREGATION

Solution implemented at manufacturer level that allows all cigarettes and their ‘aggregated’ packs to be tracked through the supply chain to ensure their authenticity and full end-to-end traceability.

### WORKAROUND SOLUTION

The agreed “workaround solution” is a short-term process requiring additional manual intervention from manufacturers and importers to support tracking through the supply chain.

The “workaround” has been implemented to enable manufacturers and importers to comply with the legislation whilst in parallel they implement the necessary capability to meet the requirements for full aggregation.

When the DTS scheme is fully up and running, all cigarettes and their ‘aggregated’ packs will be tracked through the **supply chain** to ensure their authenticity and compliance:

- Individual packs will have a physical stamp and a digital code printed on them
- Cartons, boxes, palettes and containers will have a digital code printed on them – each will link the larger package to its component parts (eg a digital stamp on a carton will link to the ten packs it contains....)
  - This is referred to as a ‘parent and child’ system
  - It will ensure that all excise is correctly paid to the appropriate Emirate, underpinned by automated reporting

Until August, it is recognised that in some entities “full aggregation” is not in place. Until this capability is established, a temporary, and more manual, solution has been created, where:

- A shorter digital code will be used
- The standard order process as defined for the full solution will be used, with the following conditions:
  - Manufacturers** will print this shorter code on the individual packs
  - When they receive their shipment, **Importers** will need to make a manual declaration of the intended Emirate level distribution of the packs they are importing

