The Global Identification Number for Consignment (GINC)

The Global Identification Number for Consignment can be used by companies to identify a consignment comprised of one or more logistic units that are intended to be transported together.

- Logistic units in a particular shipment may be associated with different GINCs during various transport stages; for example, when the shipment gets consolidated with other shipments during its journey, and deconsolidated again before it reaches the consignee. The GINC allows freight forwarders and transport providers to keep track of the logistic units being transported together.

- The GINC is typically used by freight forwarders to instruct transport providers; for example, on a Master Airway Bill (MAWB) or a Master Bill of Lading (MBL).

- The GINC can be encoded in a barcode or as text on a MAWB / MBL, or in addition to the Serial Shipping Container Code (SSCC), on a logistics label.

- The GINC can be electronically used in transport instruction and transport status messages between freight forwarder and transport provider.