



1 “PROBLEMS WITH EXCEL 2003”

The problem:

Some operators and CAs have experienced problems with the MP template using Excel 2003. In some of those cases some formulae and formats have been lost when opening the file with Excel 2003.

The solution:

It has been confirmed that it is important that all updates of MS Office are installed. In particular Service Pack 3 of Office 2003 seems important. For instructions on installing updates see for example

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/924074/en-us>

After installing these updates, the error has not been observed any more.

2 “SMALL EMITTER TOOL AND BIOFUELS”

The problem:

In the case of an aircraft operator declaring in section 5 that he is a small emitter and will use the Small Emitter Tool, the template states that he can proceed directly to section 9. However, where he wants to use alternative fuels, in particular biofuels, input might be required in section 8.

Answer:

In accordance with Article 54(2) of the MRR, a small emitter may use the simplified approach (“small emitter tool”) for the estimation of *fuel consumption*. This is regardless of the type of fuel used. Assuming that the aircraft operator wants to use the tool in order to minimise administrative burden, the small emitter is also assumed to use only commercial standard fuels (those which are listed in section 9(b) of the monitoring plan template). Therefore section 9(c) allows the small operator to explain briefly the monitoring approach for alternative fuels.

However, the better place for adding detailed information on the monitoring approach regarding calculation factors of fuels is section 8. This is why it does not turn grey when the user declares he wants to use the simplified approach.

Member States may explicitly add a note to section 9 stating that section 8 instead of point 9(c) is to be filled if alternative fuels are used.