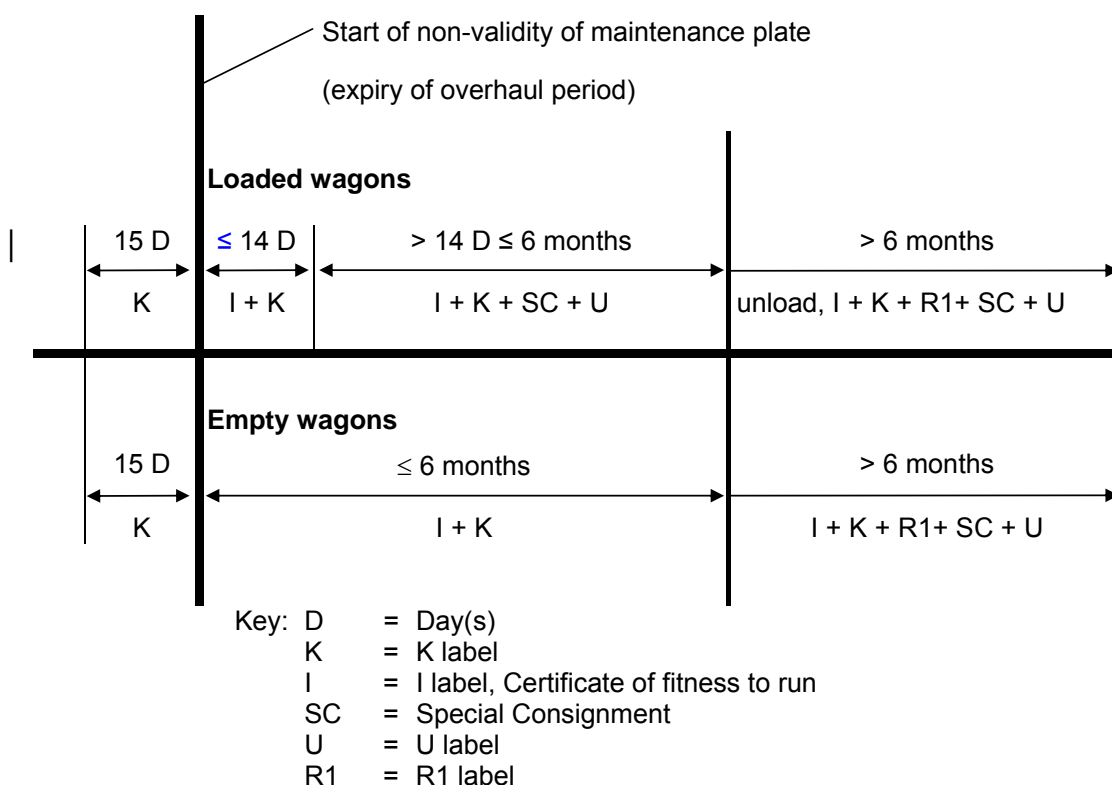


# **Handling of wagons with expired maintenance plate (after expiry of the overhaul period)**

Empty and loaded wagons with an expired maintenance plate (overhaul period exceeded) must be accepted.

Since wagons whose overhaul period is expired are no longer formally authorised to run, special measures must be taken at the time of expiry of the overhaul period to record and certify their fitness to run.

1. Until the expiry of the overhaul period, empty wagons and loaded wagons shall be treated in the same way. After expiry of this period, extended as appropriate by 3 months if the vehicle carries the "+3M" marking, a distinction shall be made between empty and loaded wagons. The details are given in the following diagram:



2. The issuing of an I label (certificate of fitness to run) is always based on an examination of fitness to run. For wagons whose overhaul period is exceeded by at least six months, this examination shall consist of a Technical Transfer Inspection as defined in section 2 (Annex 9 to the CUU). If no damage or irregularity preventing the continued conveyance of the empty wagon without a speed limit is noted, the wagon should be labelled with K and I labels. These wagons, which are fit to run without restriction, shall be handled like damaged vehicles carrying labels and can therefore be included in or remain part of any scheduled train service.

Note concerning the procedure:

The initial examination by the inspector is crucial. This shall be carried out according to when the overall period expired (see diagram), and remains valid until the wagon arrives at the destination station, back at the owning RU or the workshop where the overhaul is to take place. In this case, inspectors shall act in accordance with their own practical experience.

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3. The wagons shall be removed from the train if:
  - they are loaded and if the overhaul period is exceeded by more than 14 days; their continued conveyance is then authorised only as special consignments (SC)
  - damage or irregularities are noted which lead to a speed restriction being imposed; onward conveyance of these wagons is only authorised after repair or as special consignments (SC).
4. Empty and loaded wagons whose overhaul period is exceeded by more than 6 months and less than 5 years must be removed from trains. Loaded wagons must also be unloaded and their onward conveyance is only authorised as special consignments.  
A specific checklist (Annex 9) shall be used for the examination of fitness to run.
5. The costs incurred shall include the cost of conducting the examination of fitness to run, the filling out and affixing of the label I and the cost of shunting, as well as the costs associated with the acceptance, preparation and carrying out of the formalities for special consignments.  
The company responsible shall be determined on the basis of the CUU. The costs incurred shall be invoiced. A statement of account shall be drawn up in cases requiring a special consignment.