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**PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN**

Transitional measures

Transmitted by the Government of Belgium<sup>1, 2</sup>

**SUMMARY**

Executive summary:	Proposal to delete 9.3.3.8.1 (first entry) and 9.3.X.20.1 in table 1.6.7.2.2.2 and add 9.3.3.8.1 to table 1.6.7.3
Action to be taken:	Delete two entries in table 1.6.7.2.2.2 and add one entry in table 1.6.7.3

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<sup>2</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.7 (b)).

## **Introduction**

1. The transitional measures concerning vessels in the ADN consist of general provisions in 1.6.7.2 and supplementary transitional provisions applicable to specific waterways in 1.6.7.3. The table in 1.6.7.2.2.2 contains a provision concerning 9.3.3.8.1 "Classification of Type N open vessels with flame arresters and Type N open vessels". The Regulations for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods on the Rhine (ADNR) do not contain this provision. As far as can be ascertained previous versions of the ADNR since 1995 did not contain such a provision. However, it was noted that the table in 1.6.7.3 of ADN 2007 also contained a provision concerning 9.3.3.8.1 "Classification of Type N open vessels".

2. The table in 1.6.7.2.2.2 contains a provision concerning 9.3.2.20.1 and 9.3.3.20.1 "Access and ventilation openings 0.50 m above the deck". These paragraphs however deal with cofferdams and not with access or other openings, which are dealt with in 9.3.X.10. It is also noted that the ADNR does not contain this provision in its table of transitional provisions concerning tank vessels.

## **Proposal**

3. Existing tank vessels that in future will have a certificate of approval in accordance with ADN fall into 2 categories: either they previously had a certificate in accordance with ADNR or they had another certificate of approval. In the case that they had an ADNR certificate they do not need this transitional provision. In case they had another certificate of approval, tank vessels of Type N open should still be able to use the provision in the table in 1.6.7.3.

4. Therefore it is proposed that the Joint Meeting delete the first entry for 9.3.3.8.1 in table 1.6.7.2.2.2 and reinstate this entry in table 1.6.7.3.

5. It is also proposed that the Joint Meeting delete the entry for 9.3.2.20.1 and 9.3.3.20.1 in table 1.6.7.2.2.2.

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