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MISCELLANEOUS DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO THE MODEL REGULATIONS
ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Proposal to amend Chapter 5.1 General provisions

Transmitted by the European Confederation of Paint, Printing Ink
and Artists Colours Manufacturer's Association (CEPE)

Introduction

At the fourteenth session of the Sub-Committee, paper ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/1997/57 was submitted by CEPE, which sought to resolve problems and conflicts arising from the need to meet all the legislative and commercial requirements for information provision on the surface of small, single, uncartoned packagings meeting the test criteria of Chapter 6.1. As a result of the subsequent discussion, CEPE withdrew the paper and advised its intention to submit a revised paper at a future session of the Sub-Committee seeking an alternative solution to the problem.

CEPE proposes to resolve these problems by proposing that where small single packagings meeting the test criteria of Chapter 6.1 are transported in overpacks, that the transport marking and labelling need only be applied to the exterior of the overpack.

Proposal to amend Chapter 5.1.

Insert an additional paragraph 5.1.2.3 as follows:

“5.1.2.3 When single packagings meeting the test criteria of Chapter 6.1 are transported in overpacks and are of such a small size that they cannot satisfactorily bear a label conforming to the requirements of 5.2.2.2.1.1, the marking and labelling requirements of Chapter 5.2 for each item of dangerous goods contained in the overpack need only be applied to the exterior surface of the overpack.”

A consequential amendment to 5.2.2.1.6 will be required to ensure consistency with 5.2.1.1.

In 5.2.2.1.6:

Replace “Each label shall:” with;

“Unless provided otherwise in these Regulations, each label shall:”

Justification

This proposal will make it possible for industry to use small single packagings meeting the test criteria of Chapter 6.1 and comply with a wide and varied set of legislative and commercial requirements for information provision.
