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STANDARDS

Application of special provision TE18 of 6.8.4

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SUMMARY

Executive summary: The aim of this document is to elucidate the application of special provision TE18 in Column (13) of Table A in Chapter 3.2 of RID/ADR referring to UN No. 3257.

Action to be taken: Amend Table A of Chapter 3.2.

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Introduction

Special provision TE18 appears in Column (13) of Table A in Chapter 3.2 of RID/ADR for substances of UN No. 3257.

Difficulties of interpretation in the application of this provision have emerged for the carriage in tanks of certain substances.

Provision TE18 concerns the carriage of substances filled at a temperature higher than 190° C. It applies in the case of a tank equipped with deflectors placed at right angles to the filling openings.

If the tank is not equipped with deflectors, the provision is not included; this should not prevent substances being filled at a temperature lower than 190° C.

In order to resolve these problems, it is proposed that there should be two lines in Table A of Chapter 3.2 for UN No. 3257.

Proposal

In Table A of Chapter 3.2, amend entry 3257 as follows:

(1)	(2)	(12)	(13)
3257	ELEVATED TEMPERATURE LIQUID, N.O.S., at or above 100° C and below its flash-point (including molten metals, molten salts, etc.), filled at a temperature higher than 190° C.	LGAV	TU35 TC7 TE6 TE14 TE18 TE24
3257	ELEVATED TEMPERATURE LIQUID, N.O.S., at or above 100° C and below its flash-point (including molten metals, molten salts, etc.), filled at a temperature higher than 190° C.	LGAV	TU35 TC7 TE6 TE14 TE24

Justification

Safety: no problem.

Feasibility: no problem.

Applicability: this amendment is needed to obviate problems of interpretation.
