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TANKS*

6.8.2.4.5 inspection certificate

Submitted by the Government of Belgium

Summary

Information to be included in the certificate required pursuant to 6.8.2.4.5.

Introduction

1. The certificate showing the results of the tests, as described in 6.8.2.4.5, certifies that the tank meets the criteria set out in the regulations for the carriage of certain specific dangerous goods.

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2. The information to be included in that certificate as set out in 6.8.2.4.5 is inadequate and the Government of Belgium proposes amending 6.8.2.4.5 as follows:

Proposal

3. Amend the first paragraph of 6.8.2.4.5 as follows (new text):

6.8.2.4.5 The tests, inspections and checks pursuant to 6.8.2.4.1-6.8.2.4.4 shall be carried out by the expert approved by the competent authority. Certificates shall be issued showing the results of these operations. These certificates shall refer to the list of the substances permitted for carriage in this tank or to the tank code and the special construction (TC), equipment (TE) and type approval (TA) requirements of 6.8.4 applicable to the type, in accordance with 6.8.2.3.

Justification

4. The main purpose of the tests, inspections and checks required pursuant to 6.8.2.4.1-6.8.2.4.4 is to confirm that the tank in question meets the requirements for the safe carriage of the dangerous substances in question. Since there are different requirements for different substances, the results of the tests, inspections and checks clearly cannot be satisfactorily verified unless the substances for which the tank was tested are clearly indicated. That can be done by referring to the list of permitted substances, but a reference to the tank code is not sufficient; the special requirements must also be included.
