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HARMONIZATION WITH THE UN MODEL REGULATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Waste - Information on the transport document

Transmitted by the Government of the United Kingdom¹, ²

SUMMARY	
Executive summary:	The purpose of this proposal is to harmonize the sequence of information on the transport document for the transport of wastes required by RID/ADR with that of the United Nations Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
Action to be taken:	Amend 5.4.1.1.3
Related documents:	ADR 2009 – ECE/TRANS/202 (Vol. II) RID 2009 OTIF/RID/CE/2007-A, paragraph 35

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

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Introduction

1. In discussions on the OTIF Secretariat's document OTIF/RID/CE/2007/5 at the 44th Session of the RID Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, it was pointed out that there are differences in the sequence of information on the transport document for the transport of wastes between RID/ADR 5.4.1.1.3 and the UN Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (and therefore the IMDG Code) 5.4.1.4.3(c) (5.4.1.4.3.3) about which some delegations expressed concerns regarding the consequences for multi-modal operations.

2. In RID/ADR the word "waste" is required before the UN number and the proper shipping name whereas in UN/IMDG Code the word "waste" is required before the proper shipping name (i.e. after the UN number).

Proposal

3. In RID/ADR 5.4.1.1.3 Special provisions for wastes, first paragraph, delete "the UN number and" so that this paragraph reads:

"If waste containing dangerous goods (other than radioactive wastes) is being carried, the proper shipping name shall be preceded by the word "WASTE", unless this term is part of the proper shipping name, e.g.".

RID

In 5.4.1.1.3, amend the various examples in the first paragraph to read:

"UN 1230 WASTE METHANOL, 3 (6.1), II", or

"UN 1230 WASTE METHANOL, 3 (6.1), PG II", or

"UN 1993 WASTE FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (toluene and ethyl alcohol), 3, II", or

"UN 1993 WASTE FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (toluene and ethyl alcohol), 3, PG II".

Delete the second paragraph of 5.4.1.1.3 including the examples with the hazard identification number.

<u>ADR</u>

In 5.4.1.1.3, amend the various examples in the first paragraph to read:

"UN 1230 WASTE METHANOL, 3 (6.1), II, (D/E)", or

"UN 1230 WASTE METHANOL, 3 (6.1), PG II, (D/E)", or

"UN 1993 WASTE FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (toluene and ethyl alcohol), 3, II, (D/E)", or

"UN 1993 WASTE FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (toluene and ethyl alcohol), 3, PG II, (D/E)".

Justification

4. This will ensure harmonization in the sequence of information on the transport document for waste dangerous goods across the various modes of transport.

Safety implications

5. None.

Feasibility

6. No problems foreseen.
