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**USE OF LABEL NO. 11 FOR OVERPACKS**

**Proposal by the Government of Austria\***

The secretariat has received from the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI) the proposal reproduced below.

SUMMARY

Executive summary:	The labelling of overpacks for liquids with the label conforming to model No. 11 must be subject to the same safety considerations as apply to the labelling of packages.
Action to be taken:	An addition to 5.1.2.1.
Relevant documents:	Restructured RID/ADR; TRANS/WP.15/159/Add.4.

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## **Introduction**

Paragraph 5.2.2.1.12 sets out the conditions in which packages should display labels conforming to model No. 11. Packages containing liquids should be labelled when these liquids are contained in receptacles the closures of which are not visible from the outside.

If the packages of this type to be labelled are contained in overpacks, the overpacks must also display labels conforming to model No. 11 in accordance with 5.1.2.1, unless the marking of the packages themselves remains visible.

Packages containing liquids in receptacles the closures of which are visible from the outside should not display labels conforming to model No. 11. As a result, the overpacks should not display such labels either, even when the closures of the packages are no longer visible because of the overpack.

Since this may have the effect of jeopardizing safety as the result of an unsuitable load, the labelling provisions for overpacks should be amended accordingly.

## **Proposal**

1. The present 5.1.2.1 would become 5.1.2.1.1.
2. Insert a new 5.1.2.1.2 to read:  

“5.1.2.1.2 Label No. 11 illustrated in 5.2.2.2.2 shall be displayed on two opposite sides of the following overpacks:

  - overpacks containing packages which should be labelled in accordance with 5.2.2.1.12, unless the labels remain visible, and
  - overpacks containing liquids in packages which should not be labelled in accordance with 5.2.2.1.12, unless the closures remain visible.”

## **Justification**

**Safety:** The proposed extension to the display of the label conforming to model No. 11 serves to ensure that the load is not unsuitable and thus contributes to safety.

**Feasibility:** The extension of the provision is justified from a logical point of view and is therefore feasible.

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