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OUTSTANDING ISSUES OR PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE
RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

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Transmitted by the expert from Belgium

Introduction

1. The Expert of Belgium agrees with the comment made by Germany concerning the difficulties linked to
the wording “… individually packed in 1A2, …”.

2. However, the new texts that are being proposed for P601 (1) and (2) would create other difficulties and
introduce unintended changes to these paragraphs (for instance: the loosening of the closures would
have to be prevented by the metal packagings, the absorbing or the cushioning material; in the existing
text “any means” will do).

Proposals

1. Redraft the text of P601 (1) as follows:

(1) Combination packagings with a maximum gross mass of 15 kg, consisting of:
- one or more glass inner packagings; these are individually placed in a metal receptacle, together
with inert cushioning material and a sufficient amount of absorbent material to absorb its entire
contents;
- a 1A2, 1B2, 1N2, 1H2, 1D, 1G, 4A, 4B, 4C1, 4C2, 4D, 4F, 4G or 4H2 outer packaging.
Each inner packaging shall not exceed 1 litre in capacity and shall not be filled to more than 90 %
of its capacity; its closure shall be physically held in place by any means capable of preventing
back-off or loosening of the closure by impact or vibration during transport.

2. Redraft the text of P602 (1) as follows:

(1) Combination packagings with a maximum gross mass of 50 kg, consisting of:
- one or more glass inner packagings; these are individually placed in a metal receptacle, together
with inert cushioning material and a sufficient amount of absorbent material to absorb its entire
contents;
- a 1A2, 1B2, 1N2, 1H2, 1D, 1G, 4A, 4B, 4C1, 4C2, 4D, 4F, 4G or 4H2 outer packaging.
Each inner packaging shall not exceed 1 litre in capacity and shall not be filled to more than 90 %
of its capacity; its closure shall be physically held in place by any means capable of preventing
back-off or loosening of the closure by impact or vibration during transport.