SUMMARY

Executive Summary: Reinstate the reference to homogeneous mixtures of class 3, containing water, to LQ4 and LQ5 as having been removed without justification during the restructuring of RID/ADR

Action to be taken: Allocate footnote c to LQ4 and LQ5 in Table 3.4.6

Related documents: -

Introduction

In RID/ADR 1999, marginal 2301a listed the provisions for the transport in limited quantities for substances of Class 3 as follows:

(1) Substances of 1° to 5°, 21° to 26° and 31° to 34° and slightly toxic substances of 41°

(a) Substances classified under (a) of each item: not more than 500 ml per inner packaging and not more than 1 litre per packaging;

(b) Substances classified under (b) of each item except 5° (b) and alcoholic beverages of 3°
(b): not more than 3 litres per inner packaging and not more than 12 litres per packaging;
(c) Alcoholic beverages of 3° (b): not more than 5 litres per inner packaging;

(d) Substances classified under 5° (b): not more than 5 litres per packaging and not more than 20 litres per packaging;

(e) Substances classified under (c) of each item: not more than 5 litres per inner packaging and not more than 45 litres per package.

NOTE: In the case of homogeneous mixtures containing water, the quantities specified relate only to the substance of this class contained in those mixtures.

During the restructuring of RID/ADR substances were allocated to the new LQ codes as follows:

(a) : LQ3 a
(b) : LQ4
(c) : LQ5
(d) : LQ6 a
(e) : LQ7 a.

The NOTE was transposed into footnote a (“In the case of homogeneous mixtures of Class 3 containing water, the quantities specified relate only to the substance of Class 3 contained in those mixtures”) and was allocated to LQ3, LQ6 and LQ7 but not to LQ4 (224 UN entries for substances of Class 3, PG II) and LQ5 (for UN 3065, PG II).

CEFIC is not aware of any reason why this footnote should not be kept applicable for substances covered by LQ4 and LQ5.

Proposal

Amend Table 3.4.6 by allocating this footnote also to LQ4 and LQ5. As this footnote will become footnote “c” in RID/ADR 2005, the following amendment is proposed:

In the first column of Table 3.4.6 replace LQ4 and LQ5 by respectively LQ4 c and LQ5 c

Justification

Realignment with RID/ADR as before the restructuring, because there was no reason to remove the reference to the NOTE.

Safety implications

None.

Feasibility

No problem as it reinstates a previous situation.

Enforceability

No problem.