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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

Exemptions related to the carriage of gases

Transmitted by the Government of Germany*

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

SUMMARY

<i>Executive Summary:</i>	It might be concluded from the present wording of 1.1.3.2 (d) that extinguishers are exempted, even as a load. In fact, this is a contradiction of special provision 594. The issue was discussed a first time at the September 2004 Joint Meeting and a policy decision was taken. Germany was requested to submit new wording that would take account of the discussion.
<i>Decision to be taken:</i>	Rewording of subsection 1.1.3.2 (d).
<i>Related documents:</i>	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2004/7 (OCTI/RID/GT-III/2004/7) and TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/96 (OCTI/RID/GT-III/2004-A), para. 23.

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Introduction

Exemptions for spare parts, also when carried as a load, should concern inflated pneumatic tyres only, since the carriage of fire extinguishers is subject to special provision 594. This was confirmed by the September 2004 Joint Meeting (see the report TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/96-OCTI/RID/GT-III/2004-A, para. 23).

Proposal

1.1.3.2 (d) Read:

“(d) gases contained in the parts of the equipment used for the operation of the vehicle (e.g. fire extinguishers), and in spare parts (e.g. inflated pneumatic tyres); this exception also applies to inflated pneumatic tyres carried as a load.”
