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NEW PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

CHAPTER 1.1.4.3

**IMO Guidance on the Continued Use of Existing IMO Type Portable Tanks and Road
Tank Vehicles for the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

Transmitted by the Government of the United Kingdom */

SUMMARY	
Executive Summary:	The proposal seeks to inform users of ADR/RID of the IMO guidance on the use of existing IMO type portable tanks and road tank vehicles by amending the heading of chapter 1.1.4.3 and inserting a footnote at the end of chapter 1.1.4.3.
Action to be taken:	Amend the heading of chapter 1.1.4.3 and insert a footnote at the end of chapter 1.1.4.3.
Related documents:	INF 17 (Joint Meeting - March 2005).

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1. Background and Discussion

Delegations may wish to note that the IMO has issued a DSC circular DSC.1/Circ.12 and Circ.12/Corr.1: Guidance on the Continued Use of Existing IMO Type Portable Tanks and Road Tank Vehicles for the Transport of Dangerous Goods. Copies of this guidance can be found on the IMO website at: www.imo.org/home.asp

This circular provides guidance on the continued use of these tanks approved for maritime transport dealt with in 1.1.4.3 of RID/ADR.

2. Proposals

The United Kingdom believes that this guidance should be referenced in a footnote to 1.1.4.3 in RID/ADR (see similar types of footnote to 5.4.1.4.2 and 5.4.2).

Furthermore the United Kingdom believes that the text of 1.1.4.3 should be amended to clarify that this provision also applies to IMO type road tank vehicles (approved for maritime carriage).

Proposal 1

Add footnote 1 at the end of 1.1.4.3 with the following text:

"1 The International Maritime Organization (IMO) has issued "Guidance on the Continued Use of Existing IMO Type Portable Tanks and Road Tank Vehicles for the Transport of Dangerous Goods" as DSC circular DSC.1/Circ.12 and Circ.12/Corr.1. Copies of this guidance can be found on the IMO website at: www.imo.org/home.asp"

Proposal 2

Amend "portable tanks" in the heading to and the first sentence of 1.1.4.3 to read "IMO type portable tanks and road tank vehicles".

3. Justification and Safety implications

Paragraph 1.1.4.3 has prompted several enquiries of what these detailed requirements are - clarification of these complicated provisions will enhance safety through easier compliance.

4. Feasibility and Enforceability

No problems are foreseen.
