PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR

Transitional measures

Note by the secretariat

The secretariat proposes the following additional amendments to Chapter 1.6:

1.6.1.1 Unless otherwise provided, the substances and articles of ADR may be carried until 30 June 2007 in accordance with the requirements of ADR applicable up to 31 December 2006.

1.6.1.9 The requirements of 8.2.1 are applicable to drivers of vehicles with a permissible maximum mass not exceeding 3.5 tonnes as from 1 January 2007. This transitional provision does not apply to drivers referred to in 8.2.1.3 and 8.2.1.4.

1.6.1.12 The provisions of section 1.9.5 shall apply as from 1 July 2007 only. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1.9.5, Contracting Parties may continue to apply, until 31 December 2009 at the latest, restrictions to the passage of vehicles through road tunnels in accordance with the provisions of national law.

1.6.3.3 Fixed tanks (tank-vehicles), demountable tanks and battery-vehicles which meet the transitional requirements in 1.6.3.1 and 1.6.3.2 may be used until 30 September 1993 for the carriage of the dangerous goods for which they have been approved. This transitional period shall not apply to fixed tanks (tank-vehicles), demountable tanks and battery-vehicles intended for the carriage of substances of Class 2, or to fixed tanks (tank-vehicles), demountable tanks and battery-vehicles whose wall thickness and items of equipment meet the requirements of Chapter 6.8.

1.6.3.18 Fixed tanks (tank-vehicles), demountable tanks and battery-vehicles constructed before 1 January 2003 in accordance with the requirements in force up to 30 June 2001, but which do not, however, conform to the requirements applicable as from 1 July 2001, may still be used. Assignment to the tank code in the design type approvals and the relevant markings shall be carried out prior to 1 January 2009.
1.6.3.21 Fixed tanks (tank vehicles) and demountable tanks constructed before 1 January 2003 in accordance with the requirements applicable up to 30 June 2001, which conform to the requirements of 6.8.2.2.10 but are not equipped with a pressure gauge or another suitable indicator, shall nevertheless be considered as being hermetically closed until the next periodic inspection according to 6.8.2.4.2 and not later than 31 December 2008. Deleted.

1.6.3.25 The date of the leakproofness test required by 6.8.2.4.3 need not be added to the tank plate required by 6.8.2.5.1 until the first leakproofness test after 1 January 2005 is performed.

The type of the test ("P" or "L") required by 6.8.2.5.1 need not be added to the tank plate until the first test after 1 January 2007 is performed.

1.6.4.5 Tank containers intended for the carriage of substances of Class 2, which were constructed before 1 January 1997, may bear markings conforming to the requirements applicable up to 31 December 1996 until the next periodic test.

When, because of amendments to ADR, some proper shipping names of gases have been modified, it is not necessary to modify the names on the plate or on the shell itself (see 6.8.3.5.2 or 6.8.3.5.3), provided that the names of the gases on the tank-containers and MEGCs or on the plates [see 6.8.3.5.6 (b) or (c)] are adapted at the first periodic test thereafter.

1.6.4.12 Tank-containers and MEGCs constructed before 1 January 2003 in accordance with the requirements applicable up to 30 June 2001, but which do not, however, conform to the requirements applicable as from 1 July 2001, may still be used. Assignment to the tank codes in the design type approvals and the relevant markings shall be carried out prior to 1 January 2008. The marking of the alphanumerical codes of special provisions TC, TE and TA in accordance with 6.8.4 shall be carried out when the tank codes are assigned or at one of the tests in accordance with 6.8.2.4 subsequent to the assignment, but by 31 December 2008 at the latest. Until the relevant code marking has been carried out, the proper shipping name of the substance carried shall be indicated on the tank container itself or on a plate.

1.6.4.13 Tank-containers constructed before 1 July 2003 in accordance with the requirements in force up to 31 December 2002 but which do not, however, conform to the requirements of 6.8.2.1.7 and special provision TE15 of 6.8.4 (b) applicable as from 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2006 may still be used.

1.6.4.15 The date of the leakproofness test required by 6.8.2.4.3 need not be added to the tank plate required by 6.8.2.5.1 until the first leakproofness test after 1 January 2005 is performed.

The type of the test ("P" or "L") required by 6.8.2.5.1 need not be added to the tank plate until the first test after 1 January 2007 is performed.

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1 The proper shipping name may be replaced by a generic name grouping substances of a similar nature and also compatible with the characteristics of the tank.
1.6.4.16 Tank containers constructed before 1 January 2003 in accordance with the requirements applicable up to 30 June 2001, which conform to the requirements of 6.8.2.2.10 but are not equipped with a pressure gauge or another suitable indicator, shall nevertheless be considered as being hermetically closed until the next periodic inspection according to 6.8.2.4.2 and not later than 31 December 2007. **Deleted.**

1.6.4.30 The competent authority may continue to issue, until 31 December 2007, design approval certificates for new designs of portable tanks and UN MEGCs which meet the requirements of Chapter 6.7 in force up to 31 December 2006. Portable tanks and UN MEGCs which do not meet the design requirements applicable as from 1 January 2007 but which have been constructed according to a design approval certificate which has been issued before 1 January 2008 may continue to be used.

1.6.5.4 As regards the construction of EX/II, EX/III, FL, OX and AT vehicles, the requirements of Part 9 in force up to 31 December 2008 may be applied until 31 March 2009.

1.6.5.6 Transport units equipped with fire extinguishers in accordance with the provisions of 8.1.4 applicable until 31 December 2002 may continue to be used until 31 December 2007. **Deleted.**