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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN*

Special provision 274

Transmitted by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF)

SUMMARY

Executive summary: In the UN Model Regulations, pesticides are assigned to special provisions 61 and 274, but only special provision 61 appears in RID/ADR/ADN Table A, column (6).

Decision to be taken: Add special provision 274 to Chapter 3.2, Table A, column (6), for all pesticides, or align 3.1.2.8.1 and supplement special provision 61.


Introduction

In RID/ADR/ADN, special provision 61 is systematically assigned to pesticides, and it indicates which names are admissible as technical names. Special provision 61 does not, however, stipulate per se that a technical name for the pesticides must be indicated in the transport document. Paragraph 3.1.2.8.1 too requires that the technical name be given only in cases where special provision 274 is mentioned in Chapter 3.2, Table A, column (6). For this reason, in the UN Model Regulations, special provision 274 is systematically assigned to pesticides, in addition to special provision 61.

Proposal

Alternative 1

Chapter 3.2

Table A Add special provision “274” wherever special provision 61 is mentioned in column (6). [This modification concerns all packing groups under the following UN Nos.: 2588, 2757-2764, 2771, 2772, 2775-2784, 2786, 2787, 2902, 2903, 2991-2998, 3005, 3006, 3009-3021, 3024-3027, [3048], 3345-3352.]

Alternative 2

3.1.2.8.1 Add “61 or” before “274” in the first sentence.

Chapter 3.3

SP 61 Add the following sentence at the beginning:

“The provisions of 3.1.2.8.1 shall apply.”

Remarks:

1. A comparison of RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Model Regulations shows that neither special provision 61 nor special provision 274 is assigned in the UN Model Regulations to UN No. 3048 (aluminium phosphide pesticides). The RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting is requested to consider whether special provision 61 should be removed for this substance in RID/ADR/ADN as well.

2. The same comparison also shows that only special provision 274 is assigned in the UN Model Regulations to UN No. 3350. As for other pesticides, special provision 61 should be added in the UN Model Regulations for this pesticide.

Justification

Harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Model Regulations.