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(ADN Safety Committee)\(^2\)

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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN\(^3\)

\(^1\) This meeting is organized jointly by the Economic Commission for Europe and the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR).

\(^2\) The Joint Meeting of Experts was established jointly by the Economic Commission for Europe and the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) pursuant to the invitation by the Diplomatic Conference for the Adoption of a European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN) in its resolution adopted on 25 May 2000. The said resolution makes provision for the Joint Meeting of Experts to take the place of the Safety Committee referred to in article 18 of ADN after entry into force of the Agreement. As ADN entered into force on 29 February 2008, the Joint Meeting of Experts will henceforth play the role of the ADN Safety Committee.

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Communication from the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)

1. CCNR proposes the following amendments in respect of waste and cargo residue and slops.

2. Some of the requirements of ADNR and ADN concern the management of waste and cargo residue and slops. They have not entered into force in the framework of ADNR. In ADN, some of them contain a footnote that states that “It is not necessary to apply this paragraph. The date of application will be defined later.” Such texts are the subject of a specific convention, the Convention concerning the collection, storage and discharge of waste from ships navigating along the Rhine and other inland waters. They will be deleted from ADNR.

3. CCNR proposes to delete such texts from ADN as well, all the more so as the ADN Agreement and the “wastes” Convention do not have the same geographic scope of application.

4. The following amendments are proposed:

   7.2.4.11.1 Replace by “deleted”.
   7.2.4.15 Replace by “deleted”.
   8.1.2.3 (a) Replace by “deleted”.
   (j) Replace by “deleted”.
   8.1.6.6 Replace by “deleted”.
   8.1.10 Replace by “deleted”.
   8.6.4 Replace by “deleted”.
   9.3.3.25.2 (f) Delete the last sentence.
   9.3.3.25.2 (g) Replace by “deleted”.
   9.3.3.25.10 Replace by “deleted”.
   9.3.3.26 Replace by “deleted”.

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4 In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.7 (b)).
Other proposals

5. CCNR also proposes the following amendments:

3.2.3 Explanations concerning Table C:

In the explanations relating to column (20), under requirement 12, replace the text of paragraph (1) with “reserved”.

8.2.2.7 Examinations

Insert the following 8.2.2.7.0, based on 1.8.3.10:

“8.2.2.7.0 The examination shall be organized by the competent authority or by an examining body designated by the competent authority. The examining body shall not be a training provider.

The examining body shall be designated in writing. This approval may be of limited duration and should be based on the following criteria:

- Competence of the examining body;
- Specifications of the form of the examinations the examining body is proposing;
- Measures intended to ensure that examinations are impartial;
- Independence of the body from all natural or legal persons employing ADN experts.

9.3.1.11 Hold spaces and cargo tanks

In 9.3.1.11.2 (a), replace the text starting with “The cargo tank supports and fastenings” to the end of (a) with:

“The cargo tank supports and fastenings should extend to not less than 10° below the horizontal centreline of the cargo tanks.”