Introduction

1. Within “8.1.5 Miscellaneous equipment and equipment for personal protection” the equipment to be carried on the transport unit and by members of the vehicle crew is detailed.

2. 8.1.5.3 details additional equipment required for certain classes, and there is a requirement for “a shovel”, “a drain seal” and “a collecting container made of plastics” for the danger label numbers 3, 4.1, 4.3, 8 and 9.

3. There are a number of substances such as chlorine and ammonia which have a primary danger label of (2.3) with a subsidiary danger label of (8), therefore according to 8.1.5.3 the additional equipment is required. These substances are classified as toxic gases and in the event

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of a spillage, it is not possible to collect them using either a shovel or a plastic container and equally, a drain seal does not serve any function for a gas.

Proposal

4. In order to make the requirements for miscellaneous equipment and equipment for personal protection more logical when gases are carried, it is proposed to make the following changes:

8.1.5.3 Amend footnote 4 to read “Only required for primary danger label numbers 3, 4.1, 4.3, 8 and 9.”.

5.4.3 Amend footnote "c" accordingly to read "Only required for primary danger label numbers 3, 4.1, 4.3, 8 and 9.”.

Justification

7. This is to ensure that only the appropriate equipment is carried on the transport unit, and in the event of an emergency, the safety of vehicle crews is not compromised by using inappropriate equipment when dealing with a gas.

Safety

8. No safety issues are foreseen.

Feasibility

9. No feasibility issues are foreseen.

Enforcement

10. Enforcement would be part of normal roadside checks.