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Chapter 9.8: Requirement for thermal shields for MEMUs

Transmitted by the Government of Norway

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Introduction

1. At the eighty-eighth session, the Government of Norway submitted an informal document (INF.12) concerning metal thermal shields on MEMUs.

2. The question raised in the informal paper was whether the expression “thermal shields” also includes thermal shields of aluminium.

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1 The present document is submitted in accordance with paragraph 1(c) of the terms of reference of the Working Party, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/190/Add.1, which provides a mandate to “Develop and update the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR)”. 

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3. Most of the delegations at the eighty-eighth session were of the opinion that aluminium was not appropriate for use as thermal shields.

4. The following proposal is to change the text in 9.8.7.2 to reflect this opinion.

**Proposal**

5. Modify 9.8.7.2 to read as follows:

“9.8.7.2 Protection of the load by steel **metal** thermal shields or other thermal shields of material with the same through burning **property** against tyre fire shall be provided.”.