Chapter 8.5: Special provisions concerning specialization training for drivers of vehicles carrying Class 1 and Class 7 material

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Summary

Executive summary: Special provisions S1 (1) (a) and (b) concerning specialization training for drivers of vehicles carrying substances and articles of Class 1, and S11 (1) and (2) concerning specialization training for drivers of vehicles carrying radioactive material of Class 7, do not seem to hold any additional requirements than are already stated in Chapter 8.2.

Action to be taken: Delete S1 (1) (a) and (b) and S11 (1) and (2). Make some consequential amendments in sub-section 8.2.1.4 and in S1 (1) (c), S11 (3) and S12 in Chapter 8.5.

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Introduction

1. In sub-section 8.2.1.4 of Chapter 8.2, references are made to special provisions S1 and S11 of Chapter 8.5. However, the text concerning Class 1 in S1 (1) (a) and (b) and the text concerning Class 7 in S11 (1) and (2) do not seem to hold any additional requirements than are already stated in Chapter 8.2. For this reason, we believe that the text in S1 (1) (a) and (b) and S11 (1) and (2) are superfluous and could be deleted. We also propose to

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harmonize the wording in these S-provisions with the wording in Chapter 8.2 and to make some consequential amendments in text having references to S1 and S11.

Proposal

2. Amend the text in sub-section 8.2.1.4 as follows (changes stricken out):

“8.2.1.4 Drivers of vehicles carrying substances or articles of Class 1, other than substances and articles of Division 1.4, compatibility group S (see additional requirement S1 in Chapter 8.5), drivers of MEMU carrying mixed loads of substances or articles of Class 1 and substances of Class 5.1 (see 7.5.5.2.3) and drivers of vehicles carrying certain radioactive material (see special provisions S11 and S12 in Chapter 8.5) shall attend specialization training courses covering at least the subjects defined in 8.2.2.3.4 or 8.2.2.3.5.”.

3. Amend the text in Chapter 8.5 as follows (changes underlined or stricken out):

“S1: Additional requirements concerning the carriage of explosive substances and articles (Class 1)

1) Special training of drivers

(a) The requirements of 8.2.1 shall apply to drivers of vehicles carrying substances or articles of Class 1, other than substances and articles of Division 1.4, compatibility group S;

(b) Drivers of vehicles carrying substances or articles of Class 1, other than substances and articles of Division 1.4, compatibility group S, shall attend a specialization training course covering at least the subjects defined in 8.2.2.3.4;

(c) If, according to other regulations applicable in the country of a Contracting Party, a driver has followed equivalent training under a different regime or for a different purpose, covering the subjects referred to in (b) defined in 8.2.2.3.4, the specialization training course may be totally or partially dispensed with.

S11: (1) The requirements of 8.2.1 shall apply.

(2) Drivers shall attend a specialization training course covering at least the subjects defined in 8.2.2.3.5.

(3) If, according to other regulations applicable in the country of a Contracting Party, a driver has followed equivalent training under a different regime or for a different purpose covering the subjects referred to in (2) defined in 8.2.2.3.5, the specialization training course may be totally or partially dispensed with.”

4. Amend the text in S12 in Chapter 8.5 as follows (changes underlined or stricken out):

“S12: If the total number of packages containing radioactive material carried does not exceed 10, and the sum of the transport indices does not exceed 3, the requirement in 8.2.1.4 concerning specialization training course for drivers of radioactive materials special provision S11 need not be applied. However, drivers shall then receive appropriate training, commensurate with and appropriate to their duties, which provides them with an awareness of the radiation hazards involved in the carriage of radioactive material. Such awareness training shall be confirmed by a certificate provided by their employer.”