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Introduction

1. Paragraph 7.5.1.1 gives the provisions that the vehicle and its driver have to comply with upon arrival at a loading or unloading site.
2. Paragraph 7.5.1.2 gives the conditions under which the loading shall not be carried out.
3. Paragraph 7.5.1.3 gives the conditions under which the unloading shall not be carried out.
4. Yet the last sentence of paragraph 7.5.1.3 deals with an inspection that has to be done prior to loading (which is therefore a provision to be complied with before loading).

Proposal

5. We suggest to remove the last sentence from paragraph 7.5.1.3 and add at the end of paragraph 7.5.1.2 the following sentence:
   « The interior and exterior of a wagon / vehicle or container shall be inspected prior to loading to ensure that there is no damage that could affect its integrity or that of the packages to be loaded in it. »

Justification

6. This would clarify the text: provisions concerning the loading / unloading site would be gathered in 7.5.1.1, conditions to be complied with before loading would be in 7.5.1.2, and conditions to be complied with before unloading would be in 7.5.1.3.