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Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:
Other proposals

Changes to references to international regulations¹, ²

Transmitted by the Government of France

Summary

Executive summary: Updating references to regulations emanating from other international bodies

Action to be taken: Addition of a new definition and amendments to existing definitions

Related documents:

¹ Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR/ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2012/2.
² In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010–2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106; ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.7 (b)).
Introduction

1. The Regulations annexed to ADN, applicable since 1 January 2011, refer to the Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes (BC Code) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). It should be noted that the BC Code, the most recent version of which was adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee in resolution MSC.193(79), was merely a recommendation.

2. Since 1 January 2011, under the amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea set out in resolution MSC.269(85), the application of the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes (IMSBC) Code has been obligatory. The text of the IMSBC Code is the subject of resolution MSC.268(85), which also stipulates that the IMSBC Code “supersedes the Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes, 2004, adopted by resolution MSC.193(79)”.

Proposal

3. The Regulations annexed to ADN should therefore be amended as follows:

Chapter 1.2 Definitions and units of measurement

(a) Insert the following new entry:

IMSBC Code means the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code of the International Maritime Organization (IMO);

(b) Delete the following entry:

BC Code means the Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes of the International Maritime Organization (IMO);

(c) In the entry for International regulations, replace BC Code with IMSBC Code.

Chapter 7.1 Dry cargo vessels

7.1.4.14.6: Replace BC Code with IMSBC Code

7.1.6.11: Replace BC Code with IMSBC Code in ST01 and ST02