Proposals for amendments to Annexes A and B of ADR:
construction and approval of vehicles

Amendment of 8.1.1, transport units

Transmitted by the International Road Transport Union (IRU)

Summary

Executive summary: Transport units using tractors exceeding 40 km/h (T5-category) and light trailers not exceeding 3.5 tonnes (O1 and O2 categories) are used for transport of dangerous goods by road.

Action to be taken: To better define the categories of vehicles to be used for transport of dangerous goods by road.

Related documents: None.

1. A transport unit loaded with dangerous goods may in no case include more than one trailer (or semi-trailer).

2. In ADR Contracting Parties, one observes an increase in the carriage of dangerous goods (fertilisers, pesticides and fuels) not complying with ADR (marking, signs and participants’ training) performed by tractors with a maximum speed above 40 km/h (T5 category), trailers and semi-trailers (O1 and O2 categories) coupled with a “dolly”.

3. To support the ADR’s objective to improve competitiveness, safety, energy efficiency and security in the transport sector, the IRU and its members request the
Working Party to rapidly clarify the categories of vehicles authorised for the carriage of dangerous goods.

4. Proposed amendment to sub-section 8.1.1, with the suggestion of the IRU and its Members to add a new paragraph “scope”:

“8.1.1 Transport units

A transport unit loaded with dangerous goods may in no case include more than one trailer (or semi-trailer).

Scope

The requirements of Part 8 apply to vehicles of categories N and O, as defined in Annex 7 of the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3), intended for the carriage of dangerous goods.”.