Marking of multi-temperature equipment

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Summary

Executive summary: Annex 1, Appendix 3, Section B, paragraph 2 and Annex 1, Appendix 4 need to be updated with the markings for multi-temperature equipment in light of the recent entry into force, on 23 September 2013 of the test method for such equipment.

Action to be taken: Discussion and approval.

Related documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2013/4

Discussion

1. There are no provisions in ATP and its annexes regarding the certification plate or the distinguishing marks for multi-temperature equipment.

A. Proposal to amend the ATP and the ATP Handbook

2. In Annex 1, Appendix 4, insert a new paragraph after paragraph 2 and before “The date (month, year) …” to read as follows:
"3. CLASSIFICATION OF MULTI-TEMPERATURE MULTI-COMPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

3.1 Equipment with 2 or 3 compartments

3.1.1 If the equipment has a removable bulkhead and can be used as a single compartment the mark shall start with the global single compartment classification followed, inside brackets, with the class of the remaining compartments, starting with the front compartment or the left compartment accordingly. Example: FRC(C-B-A)

3.1.2 If the equipment has a fixed non-removable wall, the classification shall start with the front or left compartment accordingly. Example: FR(C-B-A)

3.2 Equipment with more than 3 compartments

3.2.1 If the equipment has removable bulkheads and can be used as a single compartment, the mark shall start with the global single compartment classification followed, inside brackets, with the number of compartments and their class, starting from the front or the left side accordingly. Example: FRC(2C-2B-1A)

3.2.2 If the equipment has fixed non-removable walls, the classification shall be made up of the number of compartments and their class, starting from the front or the left side accordingly. Example: FR(2C-2B-1A)."

Justification

3. On 23 September 2013, the multi-temperature testing procedure entered into force so it is urgent to agree on distinguishing marks for multi-temperature equipment.

Costs

4. No costs are foreseen.

Environment Impact

5. There is no environmental impact.

Feasibility

6. This is a mandatory harmonization for the ATP.

Enforceability

7. No problem of enforcement is foreseen.
B. Proposal to modify the ATP Handbook

8. In Annex 1, Appendix 3, section B, paragraph 2, after the existing plate model, insert a new model for multi-temperature equipment as follows:

APPROVED FOR TRANSPORT OF PERISHABLE FOODSTUFFS

APPROVAL NUMBER: [GB-LR-456789]*
EQUIPMENT NUMBER: [A1234567]

ATP MARK: FRC(C-B-A)*
VALID UNTIL: [02-2020]*
9. In Annex 1, Appendix 4 after the new paragraph 3, insert the following:

"Examples of distinguishing marks for multi-temperature equipment:

2 and 3 compartments:

Front

Removable bulkhead

Fixed non-removable wall

Fixed non-removable wall

Distinguishing marks"
More than 3 compartments:

Front

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Distinguishing marks"