Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 30 November 2015

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Explosives and related matters:
   (a) Tests and criteria for flash compositions;
   (b) Review of test series 6;
   (c) Review of tests in parts I and II of the Manual of Tests and Criteria;
   (d) Review of packing instructions for explosives;

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1 Annotations to the agenda will be circulated as document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/95/Add.1. The deadline for submission of documents is 4 September 2015.
2 For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division’s website (http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsusb3/c3age.html). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).
3 Delegates are requested to register online using the new registration system on the UNECE website (https://www2.unece.org/uncdb/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=NRtvSq). Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext. 72106). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see the website (www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm).
4 After preliminary consideration in the plenary, most of the questions relating to this agenda item will be referred to a working group on explosives that will meet in parallel.
(e) Harmonized standards for security markings;
(f) Classification of fireworks;
(g) Classification of articles under UN 0349;
(h) Review of Chapter 2.1 of the GHS;
(i) Miscellaneous.

3. Listing, classification and packing.

4. Electric storage systems:
   (a) Testing of lithium batteries;
   (b) Large batteries;
   (c) Thermal batteries;
   (d) Miscellaneous.

5. Transport of gases:
   (a) Global recognition of UN and non-UN pressure receptacles;
   (b) Miscellaneous.

6. Miscellaneous proposals for amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods:
   (a) Dangerous goods in machinery, apparatus or articles, N.O.S.;
   (b) Marking and labelling;
   (c) Packagings;
   (d) Portable tanks;
   (e) Other miscellaneous proposals.

7. Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations with the Model Regulations.

8. Cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency.

9. Guiding principles for the Model Regulations:
   (a) Assignment of E-codes;
   (b) Development of Guidance for the use of the Model regulations;
   (c) Miscellaneous.
10. Issues relating to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals:
   (a) Criteria for water-reactivity;
   (b) Tests and criteria for oxidizing liquids and solids;
   (c) Classification criteria for flammable gases;
   (d) Expert judgement/weight of evidence;
   (e) Corrosivity criteria;
   (f) Updating of references to OECD Guidelines;
   (g) Use of the Manual of Tests and Criteria in the context of the GHS;
   (h) Miscellaneous.

11. Other business.

12. Adoption of the report.

5 Participants in the work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Sub-Committee) who are not normally involved in the work of this (TDG) Sub-Committee are invited to participate in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee when the Sub-Committee is acting as GHS focal point for physical hazards (see also ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2, para 43 (b)).

6 Some of the issues may be discussed jointly by the TDG Sub-Committee and the GHS Sub-Committee on 9 December a.m during the TDG Sub-Committee session and on 9 December p.m during the GHS Sub-Committee session, see report of the Committee on its seventh session, ST/SG/AC.10/42, para.16 and of the Sub-Committee on its 47th session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/94, para. 100).