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Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN:
new proposals

Deletion of packing groups for articles: consequential
amendments for RID/ADR/ADN 2015

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Summary

Executive summary: Articles are no longer assigned to packing groups. Consequently, for some articles it is not possible to find information in table 1.1.3.6.3.

Action to be taken: Amend table 1.1.3.6.3.

Related documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2013/31/Add.1 and ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/84, para. 27.

I. Introduction

1. In the RID/ADR/ADN 2015, the packing groups for articles have been deleted and new articles without a packing group have been introduced in table A of chapter 3.2. This is the result of the harmonization of the provisions of RID/ADR/ADN with those of the UN Model Regulations (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2013/31/Add.1). Currently, there is only one article assigned to a packing group (UN No. 3165, aircraft hydraulic unit fuel tank). This entry might be deleted in the future (ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/84, para. 27).

2. No consequential amendments have been made in table 1.1.3.6.3. As a result, for some articles it is no more possible to determine the maximal total quantity per transport unit with the information given in table 1.1.3.6.3.

3. The articles concerned are UN Nos. 1700, 2016, 2017, 3090, 3091, 3292, 3356, 3480, 3481, 3506 and 3508. We propose to introduce these entries in table 1.1.3.6.3.

II. Proposal

4. In the second column of table 1.1.3.6.3,

- For transport category 2:
• After Class 4.1 add the following text:
  
  “Class 4.3: UN No. 3292
  Class 5.1: UN No. 3356.”

• For class 6.1 before the existing text add “UN Nos. 1700, 2016 and 2017”.

• For class 9 replace “UN No. 3245” with “UN Nos. 3090, 3091, 3245, 3480 and 3481”,

- For transport category 3:
  • For class 8 replace “and 3477” with “, 3477 and 3481”.

- For transport category 4:
  • For class 9 replace “and 3509” with “, 3508 and 3509”.

5. In addition, we invite the Joint Meeting to consider deleting the wording “articles belonging to packing group…” whenever it appears in table 1.1.3.6.3.