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**Proposals for amendments to Annexes A and B of ADR:
miscellaneous proposals****Amendments to section 5.4.3 Instructions in writing****Transmitted by the Government of Sweden¹****Summary**

1. The Government of Sweden has received a request whether it would be possible to include a reference to 8.1.4, fire extinguishers, in the instructions in writing. This would give a more complete picture of what equipment is required to be carried on board a transport unit. Referring to the fire extinguishers would seem relevant since the fire extinguishers are clearly referred to in the list of actions to be taken on the first page of the instructions in writing.

2. However, since the inclusion of such a reference is purely editorial and not of fundamental importance, we believe this proposal should be accepted only if it could be considered for ADR 2017. The reason is that other amendments for the instructions in writing have already been adopted for ADR 2017, and since we should avoid continuous amendments in these instructions in the future, we would first like to hear the view of the secretariat concerning this possibility, before other delegations express their opinion on this matter.

¹ In accordance with the draft programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2016-2017, (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/2015/19 (9.2)).

Proposal

3. Amend the heading and the list that follows on the last page of the instructions in writing to read as follows (new text underlined):

“Equipment for personal and general protection to carry out general actions and hazard specific emergency actions to be carried on board the transport unit in accordance with sections 8.1.4 and 8.1.5 of ADR

The following equipment shall be carried on board the transport unit:

- fire extinguishers according to section 8.1.4;
- for each vehicle, a wheel chock of a size suited to the maximum mass...”

4. The corresponding amendments would read:

5.4.3.4 In the fourth page of the model of Instructions in writing, in the heading after the Table, replace “section 8.1.5” by “sections 8.1.4 and 8.1.5”.

5.4.3.4 In the fourth page of the model of instructions in writing, after “The following equipment shall be carried on board the transport unit.”, insert a new first indent to read:

- “- fire extinguishers according to section 8.1.4;”.
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