

**Economic Commission for Europe****Inland Transport Committee****Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods****Joint Meeting of Experts on the Regulations annexed to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN) (ADN Safety Committee)****Twenty-eighth session**

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**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:****Other proposals****8.3.1 — Persons authorized on board****Transmitted by the Government of Germany<sup>1</sup>***Summary*

**Executive summary:** 8.3.1 of ADN defines the persons authorized on board vessels carrying dangerous goods.

Part 7 contains specific provision 7.1.4.14.7.1.3 for the carriage of radioactive substances; this provision should also be repeated in 8.3.1. It restricts the persons authorized on board in respect of 8.3.1.

**Action to be taken:** Amend 8.3.1.1 of ADN by including a reference to Part 7 of ADN.

**Related documents:** None.

**Introduction**

1. 8.3.1 contains detailed provisions concerning the persons authorized on board dry cargo vessels and tank vessels carrying dangerous goods.
2. 7.1.4.14.7.1.3, which was included in ADN at a later date, contains a more specific regulation for the case of the carriage of radioactive substances:

<sup>1</sup> Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2016/10.



*“No persons other than the master of the vessel or the driver of the vehicle embarked and the other members of the crew shall be permitted in vessels carrying packages, overpacks or containers bearing category II-YELLOW or III-YELLOW labels.”*

## **Proposed amendment**

(Text to be deleted is ~~struck out~~ and new text is underlined)

3. Germany proposes amending 8.3.1.1 as follows:

**8.3.1.1** Unless otherwise provided for in Part 7, ~~Only~~ the following persons are authorized to be on board:

- (a) members of the crew;
- (b) persons who, although not being members of the crew, normally live on board; and
- (c) persons who are on board for official reasons.

## **Justification**

4. Deletion of contradictory regulations, replacement by clear indication of the existence of more specific regulations, as here for the carriage of radioactive substances.

5. Reference to a specific paragraph of Part 7 should be avoided in order to avoid necessitating repeated amendments in Part 8 in the event of future additions to Part 7.

## **Safety**

6. Transport safety is improved if only those persons who are absolutely required on board are exposed to a hazard due to radioactive substances.

## **Implementation**

7. No problems are expected with implementation.

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