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**Proposals for amendments to Annexes A and B of ADR:
miscellaneous proposals**

ADR driver training certificates from Contracting Parties

Transmitted by the Government of Austria

Introduction

1. During roadside checks in Austria, the competent authorities experienced difficulties with the validity of ADR driver training certificates from other Contracting Parties presented by the drivers of transporting dangerous goods.
2. Ideally the presented certificates can be compared with the specimen published on the UNECE-website: http://www.unece.org/trans/danger/publi/adr/adr_certificates.html.
3. Therefore, 8.2.2.8.6 ADR states the following:
“Contracting Parties shall provide the UNECE secretariat with an example of the national model for any certificate intended for issue in accordance with this section, along with examples of models for certificates which are still valid. A Contracting Party may additionally provide explanatory notes. The UNECE secretariat shall make the information received available to all Contracting Parties”
4. Problems checking the validity occur if there is no specimen published on the UNECE-website to a Contracting Party at all.
5. Further difficulties arise if the certificates are seemingly from another model than the specimen published on the UNECE-website. This can happen if not all specimen which are still valid are to be found on the UNECE-website, like the newest ones or formerly issued ones.
6. To ensure the mutual acceptance of ADR driver training certificates, to shorten roadside checks and to overcome the mentioned difficulties regarding the validity of ADR driver training certificates from other Contracting Parties we present the following procedure:

Discussion

7. An exchange would be desirable on how the Contracting Parties deal with the situation at a roadside check, where drivers present an ADR driver training certificate from another Contracting Party which do not match with a specimen.

Proposal

8. The Secretariat is invited to remind the Contracting Parties to provide all the specimen of the national ADR driver training certificates which are still valid, so that the Secretariat is able to publish them on the UNECE-website.

9. The Secretariat is invited to check the received specimen and to give the submitting Contracting Parties advice on how to improve the specimen in compliance with 8.2.2.8 ADR, e.g. that item 8 not only consists of a Date, but also the phrase “*valid to*” in the language-variants in accordance with 8.2.2.8.4.
