Separate assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function of UN pressure receptacles

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1. RID/ADR 6.2.3.6.1 applicable to non-UN pressure receptacles states that:

“For refillable pressure receptacles, the conformity assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function may be carried out separately from the receptacles and the conformity assessment procedure shall be at least as stringent as that undergone by the pressure receptacle to which they are fitted.”

2. There is no such provision in 6.2.2.11 dealing with equivalent procedures for conformity assessment of UN pressure receptacles.

3. We consider that it is necessary to clarify the situation and to harmonize the conformity assessment procedures of such equipment.

4. The Joint meeting is invited to clarify whether valve and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function of UN pressure receptacles and non-UN pressure receptacles should be treated in the same way.

5. In that case, a sentence similar to the one in 6.2.3.6.1 could be added in 6.2.2.11.