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Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:

Other proposals

Amendment to 8.1.2.2: Documents which must be carried (Dry cargo vessels)

Transmitted by the European Barge Union (EBU) and the European Skippers Organisation (ESO)*, **

Problem

1. With the entry into force of the new concept of explosion protection as set out in ADN 2019, section 8.1.2.2 requires the presence on board of certain documents whose presence on board was not previously required.

This involves 8.1.2.2 (g) and (h).

Subparagraph (g) is worded as follows:

“(g) A plan indicating the boundaries of the zones and the location of the electrical and non-electrical equipment installed in the relevant zones intended for use in explosion hazardous areas;”

Subparagraph (h) begins as follows:

“(h) A list of the installations and equipment referred to under (g) with the following information:

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• ... (similar wording) ... equipment for use in zone 1 ...
• ... (similar wording) ... equipment for use in zone 2 ..."

2. The wording of subparagraphs (g) and (h) suggests that all dry cargo vessels without exception must have a plan for the classification of zones and lists of installations and equipment.

3. The requirements in subparagraphs (g) and (h) can only apply to vessels carrying substances for which EX appears in column (9) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.

Proposed solution

4. The inland navigation industry considers that it would be appropriate to carry out a verification to confirm the above interpretation and, if necessary, to amend ADN 2021, for example, as follows:

Subparagraphs (g) and (h) of 8.1.2.2 apply only to vessels carrying substances for which EX appears in column (9) of Table A of Chapter 3.2.