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Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:
Other proposals

Proposal for the standardization of 8.2.1.4 of ADN across the various language versions

Submitted by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)*, **

Introduction

1. At its thirty-fifth session, the Safety Committee invited the CCNR secretariat to submit a proposal for the standardization of subsection 8.2.1.4 of ADN in the different language versions for the next meeting.

I. Background

2. At the last meeting of the informal working group on the training of experts, the delegation of the Netherlands reported a discrepancy between the German version of the text and the English and French versions. (See the summary of the last meeting, document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2019/25, para. 32).

3. The informal working group concluded that the German version was correct. It provides for a test and two retakes, which makes for a total of three tests. The English and French versions provided for only two tests in total.

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4. The CCNR secretariat reviewed the texts and has proposed the following amendments:

“8.2.1.4

[...]

The test can be retaken two times during the validity of the certificate. If the test is not passed after it is retaken two times then, within the period of validity of the certificate, the refresher course may be taken again.”

II. Proposals

5. Proposed amendment to the French version:

8.2.1.4 In the last sentence, replace “tentatives” with “répétitions”.

6. The ECE secretariat is invited to submit a corresponding proposal for the Russian version.