
Economic Commission for Europe**Inland Transport Committee****25 August 2017****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)****Thirty-first session**

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

List of documents by agenda item and annotations**1. Adoption of the agenda**

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/63 (Secretariat)	Provisional agenda
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/63/Add.1 (Secretariat)	List of documents by agenda item and annotations
Informal document INF.1 (Secretariat)	List of all documents by agenda item
Background documents	
ECE/TRANS/258, Vols. I and II	ADN 2017
ECE/TRANS/258/Corr.1	Corrigendum to ADN 2017
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/62	Report of the ADN Safety Committee on its thirtieth session

2. Matters arising from the work of United Nations bodies or other organizations

The Safety Committee may wish to be informed of the activities of other bodies and organizations that have a bearing on its work.

The secretariat would like to inform the Safety Committee of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Inland Transport Committee Strategy, presented in informal documents INF.11 and INF.12.

3. Implementation of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)**(a) Status of ADN**

Corrections to ADN 2015 contained in annex III of document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/58 and annex IV of document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60 were notified on 3 November 2016 (depository notification C.N.823.2016.TREATIES-XI.D.6) and were deemed accepted on 10 February 2017 (depository notification C.N.53.2017.TREATIES-XI.D.6).

Corrections to ADN 2017 contained in annex I of document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/62 were notified on 1 March 2017 (depository notification C.N.112.2017.TREATIES-XI.D.6) and were deemed accepted on 5 June 2017 (depository notification C.N.296.2017.TREATIES-XI.D.6).

(b) Special authorizations, derogations and equivalents

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item

(c) Interpretation of the Regulations annexed to ADN

The Safety Committee is invited to discuss the interpretation of any other provisions of the Regulations annexed to ADN which are considered to be ambiguous or unclear.

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/29 (Germany)	1.6.7.1.2 (a) of ADN – Vessel in service
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/35 (Recommended ADN Classification Societies)	Rapid blocking valve
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/36 (Recommended ADN Classification Societies)	Shower and eye/face bath
Informal document INF.28 (EBU, ESO and ERSTU)	Classification of Palm Kernel Expeller in relation to UN 1386 “SEED CAKE” class 4.2, PG III
Informal document INF.30 (CEFIC)	Transport of UN1965 Hydrocarbon Gas Mixture, Liquefied, N.O.S. – Danger: CMR

(d) Training of experts

The Safety Committee may wish to consider the report of the seventeenth meeting of the informal working group on the training of experts (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/30 and Corr.1) as well as the directive of the Administrative Committee on the use of the catalogue of questions for the ADN expert examination (Chapter 8.2 of ADN) (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/32)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/31 (Germany) and Corr.1	Section 8.2.1 and sub-section 8.2.2.8 of ADN - Training of experts and certification of ADN specialized knowledge
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Examination statistics have been transmitted by Switzerland, Belgium, Slovakia and Germany (Informal documents INF.2, INF.3, INF.4 and INF.16). An attestation specimen was submitted by Slovakia (see informal document INF.4)

At the thirtieth session, the Danube Commission had proposed to contribute to the work on ADN by preparing a handbook with questions and practical exercises for the training of safety advisers, that ADN Contracting Parties would be required to use. There was no consensus on this issue but the secretariat was invited to provide the Danube Commission with the contact details on competent authorities in order to help the Danube Commission collecting information (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/14 and ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/62, paras 38-41).

Since then, the Danube Commission has collected questions and answers from the governments of Austria, Bulgaria, Romania, Slovakia and Ukraine. For reasons of

confidentiality, only questions will be circulated before the session and only to Heads of governmental delegations. The Safety Committee may wish to discuss the issue and decide follow-up action as deemed appropriate.

It is recalled that Contracting Parties are invited to submit their model expert certificates to the UNECE secretariat so that the secretariat can make them available on the website. Countries are also invited to share their statistics on examinations.

- (e) Matters related to classification societies.

Informal document INF.15 (Secretariat)	Paragraph 1.15.3.8 of the Regulations annexed to ADN: Compliance with EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012 and ISO 9001- 2015 – Russian River Register
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The list of classification societies recognised by ADN Contracting Parties can be found at the following link: www.unece.org/trans/danger/publi/adn/adnclassifications.html.

4. Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN

- (a) Work of the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting

The Safety Committee may wish to note that the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting at its spring 2016, autumn 2016 and spring 2017 sessions adopted draft amendments to RID/ADR/ADN. These are reproduced in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/142/Add.2, annex IV, ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/144, annex II and ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/146, annex II. The Safety Committee may also wish to consider these proposed amendments taking into account those adopted by the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (WP.15) at its 101st and 102nd sessions (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/235, annex I and ECE/TRANS/WP.15/237, annexes I, II and III).

The Safety Committee may wish to note that at its next autumn 2017 session, the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting will consider proposals of harmonization with the 20th revised edition of the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, contained in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2017/26 and Add.1.

- (b) Other proposals

The following proposals for amendments or corrections have been received:

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/18 (Austria)	Correction to 8.6.3 - ADN Checklist
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/19 (Austria)	Provisions concerning vapour return and venting in 1.4.3.3 (s), 1.4.3.7.1 (j) and 8.6.3
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/20 (Secretariat)	Amendment to 7.2.4.77
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/21 (CCNR) and informal documents INF.22 (EBU, ESO and ERSTU) and INF.29 (CCNR)	Proposal for the implementation of the modified concept for explosion protection on board inland waterway vessels
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/22 (CCNR) and informal document INF.17 (Austria)	Definition of "barge" and linguistic coherence in the Regulations annexed to ADN
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/23 (Belgium)	Provisional certificate of approval - Validity period

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/24 (Germany)	Sub-section 7.2.4.9 of ADN – Cargo transfer operations
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/25 (Germany)	7.1.5.4.1 and 7.2.5.4.1 of ADN – Berthing of vessels
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/26 (Austria)	1.1.3.6.2 and 7.1.4.4.2 – Use of defined terms
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/27 (Germany)	Sub-section 8.3.5 – Work on board
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/28 (Germany)	9.3.2.22.5 (a) of ADN, venting piping (on board)
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/33 (Recommended ADN Classification Societies)	Class A-60 Fire Protection
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/34 (Recommended ADN Classification Societies)	ISO 17020 – Proposal for amendment of 1.15.3.8
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/37 (Recommended ADN Classification Societies)	Side-struts -9.3.x.11.2 (d)
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/38 (CEFIC)	Proposal for amendment to Table C concerning UN 2057 Tripropylene
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/40 (EBU, ERSTU and ESO)	Construction materials
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/41 (Belgium)	Possible ambiguities in Table C
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/42 (Belgium)	Exception to ADN 7.1.2.19 and ADN 7.2.2.19
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/43 and informal document INF.7 and Add. 1-4 (EBU and ESO)	Draft Amendment to the Regulations annexed to the ADN: 3.2.3.1 Column 20 item 12 (e) used for transport of UN 1280 Propylene Oxide and UN 2983 Ethylene Oxide and Propylene Oxide mixture
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/44 and informal document INF.6 (FETSA with the support of Fuels Europe, EBU and ESO)	Blending on board inland tankers
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/45 (Belgium, Netherlands and Switzerland)	Fire-fighting systems using a dry aerosol-forming extinguishing agent ES-TRIN and ADN amendments
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/46 (Recommended ADN Classification Societies)	Compressed air installation on deck – 9.3.x.25.10 and 9.3.x.40.1

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/48 (CEFIC)	Proposal to amend 7.2.4.25.5
Informal document INF.5 (EBU, ERSTU and ESO)	Correction to 7.2.4.10.1
Informal documents INF.18 (France) and INF.25 (EBU, ERSTU and ESO)	Miscellaneous proposals of amendments and/or corrections to the Regulations annexed to ADN
Informal document INF.19 (CCNR)	Fire-fighting systems using a dry aerosol- forming extinguishing agent
Informal document INF.20 (CCNR)	Use of terms "residual cargo" and "cargo residues"
Informal document INF.21 (EBU, ESO and ERSTU)	Prolongation - Multilateral agreement 017
Informal document INF.23 (EBU, ESO and ERSTU)	Information about loading installation
Informal document INF.26 (Belgium, France and Netherlands)	Membrane tanks
Informal document INF.27 (CCNR)	Interpretation of 7.1.4.4.3 ADN regarding minimum separation distance of flexible bulk containers

5. Reports of informal working groups

The Safety Committee is invited to consider the following documents:

- Report of the ninth meeting of the informal working group on substances (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2015/39 and informal documents INF.8 and INF.24).
- Report of the fifth meeting of the informal working group on degassing of cargo tanks (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2015/47).

Reports of informal working groups received after the issuance of the annotated agenda are presented in the following informal documents:

- Minutes of the thirteenth meeting of the informal working group of Recommended ADN Classification Societies (informal document INF.10) as well as the issue of approval and mutual recognition by authorities of nonelectrical explosion protection equipment (informal document INF.13).
- Report of the twelfth meeting of the informal working group on explosion protection on tank vessels (informal document INF.14).

6. Programme of work and calendar of meetings

The nineteenth session of the ADN Administrative Committee will take place on 31 August 2017 from 16.30. The thirty-second session of the ADN Safety Committee is scheduled to be held in Geneva from 22-26 January 2018. The twentieth session of the ADN Administrative Committee is scheduled to take place on 26 January 2018. The deadline for the submission of documents for those meetings is 27 October 2017.

7. Any other business

Informal document INF.9 (Secretariat) Access to the Palais des Nations

8. Adoption of the report

The Safety Committee may wish to adopt the report on its thirty-first session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.
