Deletion of special packing provision PP12 for UN 3077

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Introduction

1. According to the special packing provision PP12:

   PP12  For UN Nos. 1361, 2213 and UN No. 3077, 5H1, 5L1 and 5M1 bags are allowed when carried in closed vehicles or containers.
   
   "Closed vehicle" means a vehicle having a body capable of being closed;
   
   "Closed container" means a totally enclosed container having a rigid roof, rigid side walls, rigid end walls and a floor. The term includes containers with an opening roof where the roof can be closed during transport;

2. Following in addition the definition of sheeted vehicle ("Sheeted vehicle means an open vehicle provided with a sheet to protect the load"), in relation to the definition of closed container, it seems that the "tarpaulin platform body" vehicles should be classified as sheeted vehicles. Due to the fact that these vehicles can be closed, they also comply with the definition of “closed vehicle”.

3. In addition, column (17) in Table 3.2 A of UN 3077 includes specific provisions for bulk carriage of VC1, VC2:

   “VC1 Carriage in bulk in sheeted vehicles, sheeted containers or sheeted bulk containers is permitted”;
   
   “VC2 Carriage in bulk in closed vehicles, closed containers or closed bulk containers is permitted”;

4. If bulk carriage of UN 3077 in sheeted vehicles, sheeted containers or sheeted bulk containers is permitted, also the carriage of this good packed in 5H1, 5L1 and 5M1 bags in sheeted vehicles, sheeted containers or sheeted bulk containers should be permitted.

Proposal

5. PP12  For UN Nos. 1361, 2213 and UN No. 3077, 5H1, 5L1 and 5M1 bags are allowed when carried in closed vehicles or containers.