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Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the
Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
Geneva, 21 September – 1 October 2021

Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the autumn 2021 session*

Addendum

Annotations and list of documents

1. Adoption of the agenda

The first item on the agenda concerns its adoption. The Joint Meeting will also have before it the report on its spring 2021 session, held in Bern from 15 to 19 March 2021 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/160 – OTIF/RID/RC/2021-A and Add.1).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its autumn 2020 session, the Joint Meeting elected Mr. C. Pfauvadel (France) as Chair and Ms. S. García Wolfrum (Spain) as Vice-Chair;

(b) UNECE documents (other than agendas or reports) with the symbol ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/ are circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) in German under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/ followed by the same document number. As part of the secretariat’s efforts to reduce expenditure, documents will not be available in the conference room. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to the meeting;

(c) The documentation will be available on the UNECE website (unece.org/transport/dangerous-goods) in English, French and Russian;

(d) The Joint Meeting would, if necessary, like an ad hoc working group to meet during the second week of the session, outside the times of the plenary session, to consider documents concerning standards (item 3), in accordance with the mandate to be decided by the Joint Meeting;

* This document was scheduled for publication after the standard publication date owing to circumstances beyond the submitter’s control.
(e) Documents related to agenda item 2 (Tanks) will be discussed by the Working Group on Tanks during the second week of the session, after this item have been discussed in plenary;

(f) The link for online registration of delegates is: https://indico.un.org/event/35321/

(g) Due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the ongoing technical restrictions in Geneva, the session is planned to be held again in a hybrid format allowing delegates to participate either in person or remotely. More detailed information will be circulated at a later date;

(h) The reading of the report (item 12) is scheduled for Friday morning (1 October 2021) without interpretation.

2. Tanks

Supplementary information from the informal working group on the inspection and certification of tanks:

- Proposed amendments to Chapters 6.8 and 6.2, sections 1.8.7 and 1.8.6, plus transitional measures and consequential amendments

- Inspection and certification of tanks: explanations on the amendments planned for entry into force on 1 January 2023

- Clarification on using tanks after the deadline specified for the next test or inspection

- Validity of the provisions on the holding time for refrigerated liquefied gases

- Mandatory fitment of safety valves to tanks carrying flammable liquefied gases

- Filling degree of substances carried at and above 50 °C

- Development of the requirements on fibre-reinforced plastics (FRP) tanks

3. Standards

Information on work of the Working Group on Standards

Information on difficulties in applying a standard referred to in Chapter 6.2


Description of the hazard of Class 9
5. Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN

(a) Pending issues

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/33 (Secretariats) Pressure receptacles approved by the Department of Transportation of the United States of America

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/40 (Switzerland) Orange-coloured plate marking of wagons and vehicles carrying low-capacity tanks or containers

(b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/25 (IASA) Refrigerating machines and heat pumps

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/30 (IASA) Amendment to special provision 668

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/31 (Germany) Activities of in-house inspection services in accordance with RID/ADR 6.2.2.11 and 6.2.3.6.1

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/32 (Sweden) Transport of electric energy systems containing lithium ion batteries

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/37 (CEPE) Paints and printing inks classified as environmentally hazardous substance of UN 3082 and the requirements for performance tests

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/39 (Ireland) Amendment of RID/ADR 1.1.3.2(e)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/44 (Italy) PACKAGINGS, DISCARDED, EMPTY, UNCLEANED (UN 3509)

6. Interpretation of RID/ADR/ADN

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/26 (United Kingdom) Clarification on RID/ADR 5.3.2.2.1 - specifications for the orange-coloured plates

7. Reports of informal working groups

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/35 (Spain) Update on work of the BLEVE working group

8. Accidents and risk management

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

9. Election of officers for 2022

10. Future work

The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the spring 2022 session (Bern, 14-18 March 2022).
11. **Any other business**

   - ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/45 (Secretariat)
   - Request for consultative status by the European Recycling Industries' Confederation (EuRIC)

12. **Adoption of the report**

   In accordance with established practice, the Joint Meeting will adopt the report of the session on the basis of a draft established by the secretariat.