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Draft Questionnaire for Updating the Document on the Implementation of the European Code for Inland Waterways

Note by the secretariat

I. Mandate

- 1. This document is submitted in line with the Proposed Programme Budget for 2022, part V, Regional cooperation for development, section 20, Economic Development in Europe. Programme 17, Economic Development in Europe (A/76/6 (Sect.20), para. 20.76).
- 2. At its sixty-fifth session, the Working Party on Inland Water Transport decided to update the document on the application of the European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) (CEVNI Status Document) by member States and asked the secretariat to prepare a draft questionnaire for this purpose for the sixtieth session of Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (SC.3/WP.3).
- 3. The present document contains the updated draft questionnaire for updating the CEVNI Status Document which is available as ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/6. SC.3/WP.3 may wish to consider the draft and provide guidance to the secretariat.

II. Implementation of CEVNI

4. Countries are invited to indicate the status of application of CEVNI (CEVNI 5 and CEVNI 6) using the following notations:

National regulations for inland waterways are based in totality (A) or partially (P) on CEVNI, or application is under consideration (C), or not applied (N).

5. Countries are invited to provide information on the relevant national legal acts and regulations, the ongoing and planned work related to the implementation of CEVNI and the expected deadlines.

CEVNI article

III. Existing regional and national special requirements

6. Countries are invited to fill out the table below on the existing deviations from CEVNI in accordance with Chapter 9 "Regional and National Special Requirements".

Yes/ Additional No information

Article 9.02 – Chapter 1, "General provisions"

- 1. With respect to article 1.01, section I, paragraph 5, does your Administration state in the ship's certificate that the vessel is a high-speed vessel?
- 2. With respect to article 1.01, section I, paragraph 11,, does your Administration use a different definition of "water bike"?
- 3. With respect to article 1.01, section III, paragraph 3, what definitions of "scintillating light" and "quick scintillating light" are applied by your Administration: the definitions given in CEVNI or the definitions given in the European Code for Signs and Signals on Inland Waterways (SIGNI) that correspond to Recommendation E-110 "Rhythmic Characters of Lights on Aids to Navigation" (Edition 4.0) of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA)?
- 4. With respect to article 1.02, does your Administration waive the provisions of article 1.02 in case of certain assemblies of floating material and non-motorized vessels in certain side-by-side formations?
- 5. With respect to article 1.07, paragraphs 2 and 3, does your Administration allow the compensation of the restricted direct visibility in front of the vessel:
- (a) By using flat-reflector periscopes, radar or a lookout in permanent contact with the wheelhouse, when the vessel passes through bridges or locks and direct visibility is restricted due to load;
- (b) By using radar and video equipment, if direct visibility is restricted up to 500 m in front of the vessel?
- 6. With respect to article 1.09, does your Administration prescribe other provisions concerning the age for steering small craft?
- 7. With respect to article 1.10 paragraph 1, does your Administration require other documents to be on board of the vessel, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Crew list;
 - (b) Ship's log;
- (c) Certificate of installation and functioning of tachograph and its records as required;
- (d) Proofs for vessels with a length of more than 110 m if required by local regulations;
- (e) Certificates required by the Convention on Collection, Deposit and Reception of Wasted Produced during Navigation on the Rhine and Inland Waterways (CDNI) other than the used oil log and the unloading certificate.
- 8. With respect to article 1.10, paragraph 1, does your Administration:

Note by the secretariat: the questionnaire is modified in accordance with CEVNI 6; the new entries are highlighted in **bold**.

Yes/ Additional
CEVNI article No information

(a) Waive the provisions of (a) and (b) of this paragraph for worksite craft that have no wheelhouse or accommodation, provided that the papers are kept permanently available at the construction site;

(b) Require worksite craft that have no wheelhouse or accommodation to carry on board a certificate relating to the duration and the local boundaries of the site where the craft may be operated?

Article 9.03 – Chapter 2, "Marks and Draught Scales on Vessels; Tonnage Measurement"

9. With respect to article 2.02, does your Administration prescribe other provisions for small craft which are neither motorized nor sailing craft and for sailboards or small sailing craft less than 7 m long?

Article 9.04 - Chapter 3, "Visual Signals (Marking) on Vessels"

- 10. With respect to section II of Chapter 3, does your Administration waive the requirements for require vessels under way to carry day markings?
- 11. With respect to article 3.08, paragraph 1, does your Administration:
 - (a) Prescribe other stern lights?
 - (b) Prescribe a height of less than 5 m prescribed in paragraph (a)?
- 12. With respect to article 3.09, paragraph 1 (a), does your Administration prescribe a height of less than 5 meters?
- 13. With respect to article 3.10, paragraph 1, does your Administration:
 - (a) Prescribe the use of bright lights on narrow waterways;
 - (b) Authorize the pusher to carry the masthead lights and the side lights;
- (c) Authorize that vessels whose full width is visible from astern, to screen the stern lights mentioned in subparagraph 1 (c) (ii)?
- 14. With respect to article 3.11, does your Administration consider a side-by-side formation whose greatest dimensions do not exceed 110 m in length and 23 m in width as single motorized vessels?
- 15. With respect to article 3.14, does your Administration:
- (a) In the case of seagoing vessels operating only temporarily in inland navigation areas, authorize the use of the day and night signals prescribed in the Recommendations on the Safe Transport of Dangerous Cargoes and Related Activities in Port Areas adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization (by night an all-round fixed red light and by day flag "B" of the International Code of Signals), instead of the signals prescribed in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of the article?
 - (b) Prescribe red lights (or cones) instead of blue lights (or cones)?
- 16. With respect to article 3.16, does your Administration prescribe another marking **for ferry-boats**?
- 17. With respect to article 3.20, paragraph 4, does your Administration prescribe that small craft other than ship's boats does not need to carry the black ball by day?
- 18. With respect to article 3.27, does your Administration prescribe:
- (a) A yellow **or red** scintillating light instead of the blue for fire-fighting and rescue vessels;

Yes/ Additional
CEVNI article No information

(b) Additional marking for vessels of the supervising authorities?

Article 9.05 – Chapter 4, "Sound Signals; Radiotelephony; Information and Navigation Devices"

- 19. With respect to article 4.05, does your Administration apply the harmonized national technical and operational requirements for radiotelephone installations on board inland navigation vessels in the framework of a Regional Arrangement based on the Radio Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)?
- 20. With respect to article 4.06, does your Administration allow on certain inland waterways:
- (a) High-speed vessels to operate in daytime and at a visibility of 1 km and more without being fitted with radar equipment and a rate-of-turn indicator;
- (b) Vessels to navigate by radar without being fitted with a rate-of-turn indicator?
- 21. With respect to article 4.07, does your Administration waive the requirement to use Inland AIS or allow exceptions restricting the use of Inland AIS to certain sectors, e.g. berthing places along the fairway?

Article 9.06 - Chapter 5, "Waterway Signs and Marking"

22. With respect to article 5.01, paragraph 2, does your Administration regulate navigation on certain sections by also using special signs at control posts?

Article 9.07 - Chapter 6, "Rules of the Road"

- 23. With respect to articles 6.04 and 6.05, does your Administration prescribe:
 - (a) Special exceptions to the rules on the meeting of the vessels;
 - (b) Special rules for the meeting of the vessels?
- 24. With respect to article 6.10, does your Administration:
- (a) Allow that the overtaking vessel may pass to port or starboard of the vessel being overtaken as a general rule;
 - (b) Prohibit the overtaking in narrow fairways?
- 25. With respect to article 6.11, paragraph (b), does your Administration stipulate an exception for the situation when one of the convoys is a side-by-side formation whose maximum dimensions do not exceed 110 m x 23 m?
- 26. With respect to article 6.21, paragraph 3, does your Administration prescribe that the motorized vessel which provides the main propulsion of a side-by-side formation, shall be located starboard of this formation; however, when one or several pushed barges are coupled side-by-side, one barge may be located on the starboard side of the formation?
- 27. With respect to article 6.22 bis, does your Administration prescribe special rules for navigation when passing floating equipment at work or grounded or sunken vessels, and vessels whose ability to manoeuvre is limited?
- 28. With respect to article 6.23 paragraph 2 (b), does your Administration prohibit the use of longitudinal cable?
- 29. With respect to articles 6.24–6.26, does your Administration prescribe special rules for the passage under bridges?

Yes/ Additional
CEVNI article No information

30. With respect to article 6.27, does your Administration prescribe special rules for the passage through weirs?

- 31. With respect to article 6.28, does your Administration prescribe special rules for the passage through locks?
- 32. With respect to article 6.28 bis, does your Administration prescribe special rules for entering and leaving locks?
- 33. With respect to article 6.30, does your Administration prescribe other general rules for navigation in visibility of less than 1 km?
- 34. With respect to article 6.32, does your Administration:
- (a) Waive the provision on giving the three-tone signal or apply it only on certain waterways?
 - (b) Prescribe additional provisions for vessels navigating by radar?
- 35. With respect to article 6.33, does your Administration prescribe that a vessel carrying the boatmaster of a convoy shall sound two long blasts?

Article 9.09 – Chapter 8, "Signalling, reporting and safety requirements"

- 36. With respect to article 8.01 paragraph 4, does your Administration require that, if the vessel has stopped, all engines and auxiliary machinery must be stopped or unplugged?
- 37. With respect to article 8.02, paragraph 1, does your Administration require that boatmasters of day-trip vessels report their presence on the indicated radiotelephone channel prior to entering the sectors, traffic control posts, traffic centres and locks indicated by the competent authority by the sign B.11 (annex 7)?
- 7. Countries are invited to provide information on deviations from articles of chapters 1–8 of CEVNI, other than those listed in Chapter 9, if any.
- 8. Countries are invited to provide information on additional requirements complementing chapters 1–8 of CEVNI, if any.