

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-ninth session
Geneva, 24-28 January 2022**

Decisions submitted to silence procedure following the formal session of WP.15/AC.2 with remote participation

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| 1 / 7 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The provisional agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/79 and -/Add.1) was adopted as amended by informal document INF.1 to take account of informal documents INF.2 to INF.23. |
| 2 / 8 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee re-elected Mr. H. Langenberg (Netherlands) as chair and Mr. B. Birkhuber (Austria) as vice-chair, for its sessions in 2022. |
| 4 (b) / 17 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee recommended the Administrative Committee to endorse the amendments proposed by the Netherlands in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/19 to be included in the 2023 edition of ADN. |
| 4 (c) / 18-20 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee recalled the discussions at previous sessions on the interpretation of appropriate ventilation systems and agreed on the interpretation provided in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/10, as amended. The Recommended ADN Classification Societies confirmed that, according to 9.3.3.20.4 of ADN, it is mandatory to install flame arresters in the ventilation openings on cofferdams but not on void spaces and clarified that “hatch cover” means small hatches as a common shipbuilding term. The Safety Committee also agreed that there was no need to amend the current transitional provisions in 1.6.7.2.2.2 on ventilation systems in double hull spaces or double bottoms. It was decided to publish the interpretation above on the UNECE website. |
| 4 (c) / 26 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee noted some comments on possible unified interpretation text similar to those in the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) code that are in general voluminous and, therefore, preferred to be cautious to avoid blowing up the size of the ADN. It was agreed that the ADN provisions shall be as concise and clear as possible. For the future, it was recommended that once consensus on an interpretation issue was reached the Safety Committee shall decide, on a case by case basis, to either amend the ADN provisions or to publish the interpretation on the UNECE website. |

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| 5 (a) / 31-33 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The Safety Committee adopted the consolidated list of amendments in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/20 relevant for ADN adopted by the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting in 2020-2021 and by the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (WP.15) for entry into force on 1 January 2023, with some changes. The Safety Committee also adopted the amendments relevant to ADN proposed in informal document INF.11 containing additional amendments adopted by WP.15 at its 110th session, including the amendments proposed by Germany in informal document INF.5.</p> <p>The Safety Committee decided that the proposed amendments in informal document INF.12 were not needed as these were relevant to chapters 6.2 and 6.8 of ADR but not to ADN.</p> |
| 5 (b) / 37 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The Safety Committee adopted the amendments proposed in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/3 to align the terms of “protective suit”, “protective equipment” and “personal protective equipment” in the French, English and Russian versions of the ADN with those used in the German version.</p> |
| 5 (b) / 38 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The Safety Committee adopted the proposal to remove the content of 1.8.3.17 of ADN.</p> |
| 5 (b) / 40 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The Safety Committee adopted the proposed amendments to Chapter 8.2. To address the concerns expressed, it was agreed to evaluate in the course of the next biennium the situation and experience of competent bodies in charge of the ADN training courses and examinations, in particular on their ability to organize the prescribed number of retakes, and to adapt the provisions, if necessary.</p> |
| 5 (b) / 41 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The Safety Committee adopted the amendments proposed in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/7.</p> |
| 5 (b) / 42 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The Safety Committee adopted the proposals in paragraphs 6 to 8 in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/8 to amend 9.3.4.3.1.2.2.1.3 of ADN.</p> |
| 5 (b) / 43-44 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | <p>The CCNR secretariat underlined that the wording “per transport unit, wagon or large container” (used in RID/ADR) were already included in 3.4.14 of ADN but there were discrepancies between the texts in the German version and the other language versions of the ADN. The Safety Committee decided that this matter should be considered by the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting at its forthcoming session in March 2022 based on a proposal</p> |

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| | | by the Netherlands. Thus, it was agreed to resume discussion on the subject at the next Safety Committee session |
| 5 (b) / 46 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted the proposed amendments in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/4 to update the references to standards together with some additional changes. |
| 5 (b) / 48 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The representative of Fuels Europe pointed out that in the classification criteria in 2.2.3.1.5 of ADN (flow-time), a reference is made to the Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part III, subsection 32.4.3 which refers to tests included in ISO 2431:1984. In 3.2.4.2 of ADN (2.12 – Flow time) the existing reference to ISO 2431:1996 will be updated to ISO 2431:2019 following the proposal in point 2(a) of document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/4. The Safety Committee requested the secretariat to notify the UN Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods of this change in the ADN and to request whether an update of the reference to ISO 2431:1984 in the Manual of Tests and Criteria to ISO 2431:2019 was necessary, to avoid discrepancies in ADN requirements. |
| 5 (b) / 49 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted the proposed amendments to 8.3.5, third indent of ADN. |
| 5 (b) / 50 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted the amendments proposed in the second option in paragraph 6 of ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/21. |
| 5 (b) / 51 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted the proposal to align the text used in 3.2.3.1, column (20), remark 33, (n) of ADN. |
| 5 (b) / 52 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted the proposed amendment to special provision 651 in 3.3.1 of ADN. |
| 5 (b) / 54 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | Recalling the discussions at previous sessions, some representatives supported in principle the amendments proposed in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2022/16 but raised some concerns and the need for clarifications. Following the discussion, the Safety Committee adopted by majority the proposed amendments in informal document INF.22/Rev.1. |
| 5 (b) / 55 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted the amendments proposed in document ECE/ADN/2022/1 and informal document INF.4 with some additional editorial modifications. |

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| 8 (a) / 64 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee welcomed the draft terms of reference of the informal working group on certificates and other on-board documents in electronic format and agreed to establish the new group. |
| 8 (b) / 65 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee considered and adopted the Rules of Procedures for the ADN Safety Committee. |
| 9 / 69 | https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/ECE%20TRANS%20WP.15%20AC.2%2080e%20for%20Silence%20procedure.pdf | The Safety Committee adopted provisionally the report on its thirty-ninth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat. |