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Listing, classification and packing

Reviewing the location of the UN specification marking - additional proposal to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2021/52

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Introduction

1. At the fifty-ninth session of the Sub-Committee, the experts from China submitted document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2021/52, proposing to add the provision **“If the head on the top is removable, the marks or a duplicate thereof shall appear on at least a side of the packaging.”**
2. There had been an extensive discussion based on that official document, including informal documents INF.17 and INF.37 (59th session). The Sub-Committee generally supported the intention of the proposed amendments on the additional placing of the UN specification mark on the removable top of a packaging.
3. Some experts were of the opinion that the proposed text including the transitional provision still needed to be reviewed. After considering the feedback received during that session, the experts from China submitted this updated document for consideration at the sixtieth session of the Sub-Committee.

Proposal

4. China proposes to amend 6.1.3.1 to read as follows (new text is underlined):
“6.1.3.1 Each packaging intended for use according to these Regulations shall bear marks on a non-removable component which are durable, legible and placed in a location and of such a size relative to the packaging as to be readily visible. For packages with a gross mass of more than 30 kg, the marks or a duplicate thereof shall appear on the top or on a side of the packaging. Letters, numerals and symbols shall be at least 12 mm high, except for packagings of 30 l capacity or less or of 30 kg maximum net

* A/75/6 (Sect.20), para. 20.51

mass, when they shall be at least 6 mm in height and except for packagings of 5 l capacity or less or of 5 kg maximum net mass when they shall be of an appropriate size.”

NOTE: The provisions of 6.1.3.1 of the twenty-second revised edition of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations may continue to be applied until 31 December 2026. Packagings manufactured before 1 January 2027 according to the provisions applicable at the date of manufacture may continue to be used.

The marks ...”
