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Safety valve mark

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Introduction

1. At its last session (Berne, 14 - 18 March 2022), the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting adopted a proposal from Liquid Gas Europe for a new 6.8.3.2.9.6 setting out requirements for the mark to be affixed to gas tanks fitted with safety valves (see informal document INF.5). In accordance with the wishes of the Joint Meeting, this was guided by certain provisions laid down for the orange-coloured marking in 5.3.2.

2. In 6.8.3.2.9.6.4 and 6.8.3.2.9.6.7, the new provisions contain relaxations for demountable tanks and tank-containers with a capacity of less than 3 000 litres.

3. This limit of 3 000 litres is already used in Chapter 5.3 for certain relaxations (see in particular the Note to 5.3.2.1.5 amended for the 2023 edition of RID, ADR and ADN, the elevated temperature substance mark in 5.3.3 and the environmentally hazardous substance mark in 5.3.6.2). However, the limit of 3 000 litres is included in each of these provisions (“with a capacity of not more than 3 000 litres”).

Proposal

4. It is proposed that the text in new 6.8.3.2.9.6.4 and 6.8.3.2.9.6.7 be slightly amended to include the 3 000 litre limit and to be consistent with the existing texts.

6.8.3.2.9.6.4 In the first sentence, replace “with a capacity of less than 3 000 litres” by:

“with a capacity of not more than 3 000 litres”.

6.8.3.2.9.6.7 In the right-hand column, in the second sentence, replace “with a capacity of less than 3 000 litres” by:

“with a capacity of not more than 3 000 litres”.

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