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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
Bern, 20-24 March 2023
Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the spring 2023 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 autumn 2022 session, held in Geneva from 12 to 16 September 2022 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/166).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its autumn 2022 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 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;

(e) The Joint Meeting would like, if necessary, an ad hoc working group to meet concurrently with it to consider documents concerning tanks (item 2), after this item have been discussed in plenary;

(f) To minimise the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the work of the Joint Meeting, UNECE is planning to revert to normal business beginning of 2023, i.e. organizing in-person sessions only depending on the further improvement of the ongoing sanitary
restrictions. Following the agreement by OTIF to continue with the working arrangements already proposed for the 2022 sessions, the spring session will still be held in a hybrid format allowing delegates to participate either in person or remotely. More detailed information will be circulated at a later date;

(g) In order to keep you informed of developments, please register using the online form by 10 March 2023 at the latest;

(h) The reading of the report (item 10) is scheduled for Friday morning (24 March 2023) without interpretation.

2. Tanks

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/3 (OTIF secretariat) Rationalized approach for assignment of tank codes to groups of substances in 4.3.4.1.2

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/16 (Poland) Modification of the definitions of "FRP tank" and "FRP shell" in chapter 6.9 of RID/ADR 2023

3. Standards

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/12 (CEN) Information on the work of the Working Group on Standards

4. Interpretation of RID/ADR/ADN

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

5. Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN

(a) Pending issues

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/1 (Secretariat) Special provisions 532 and 543 in RID/ADR/ADN

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/4 (IASA) Amendment to existing special provision 668

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/22 (COSTHA) Online grocery delivery services

(b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/2 (Germany) RID/ADR Table A: UN 3550, missing code for mixed packing in column (9b)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/5 (IASA) Indication of year stated on instructions in writing

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/6 (IASA) Language requirements for the transport document according to ADR/ADN

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/7 (IASA) Harmonising the definitions of “closed wagon”, “closed vehicle” and “closed container”

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/8 (IASA) Dangerous goods safety adviser for the carriage of certain types of dangerous goods – RID/ADR 1.8.3.13

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/9 (OTIF and CCNR secretariats) Alignment of 1.4.2.1.1 (e) in the various language versions of RID, ADR and ADN

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1 Available at: http://otif.org/de/?page_id=214
6. **Reports of informal working groups**

   ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/14 (Germany)  
   Inclusion of provisions for the carriage of molten aluminium of UN No. 3257

7. **Accidents and risk management**

   No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

8. **Future work**

   The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the autumn 2023 session (Geneva, 19-29 September 2023).

   ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/17 and informal document INF.3 (Switzerland)  
   References in RID/ADR/ADN to "competent authority": Proposed mandate of an informal working group

9. **Any other business**

   (a) **Guidelines for the use of 5.4.0.2 in RID/ADR/ADN**

      No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

   (b) **Circular economy and sustainable development goals**

      No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

10. **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.