Comments on ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/23/Add.1 – Outcome of the sixty-second session of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Note by the secretariat

Introduction

1. In ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/23/Add.1, some amendments proposed by the Ad Hoc Working Group were kept in square brackets pending decision from the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (SCETDG).

2. At its sixty-second session, the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods considered the issues raised by the Ad Hoc Working Group and related draft amendments to the Model Regulations (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/124, paragraphs 94 and 95).

3. The Sub-Committee considered that the amendments to 2.0.5.2 (= 2.1.5.2 in RID/ADR/ADN), P006 and LP03 were not editorial ones since they originated from the application of existing provisions for articles containing lithium batteries to articles containing sodium ion batteries. It was recalled that the initial intention was to apply the same provisions for lithium batteries and sodium ion batteries. The Sub-Committee invited the secretariat to submit these proposals in an official document to the next session for confirmation. Other amendments proposed in Part II of informal document INF.13 were considered as editorial ones and were adopted by the Sub-Committee as amendments to the twenty-third revised edition of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations.

4. On the question related to mixed packing for UN No. 0514 (Fire suppressant dispersing devices), the Sub-Committee did not clarify yet how these devices were transported and interested delegations were invited to send to the secretariat their comments on this issue.

Proposal

5. Considering the outcome of the Sub-Committee, the Joint Meeting may wish to adopt the following modifications in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/23/Add.1, noting that the same modifications will be reflected in the twenty-fourth revised edition of the Model Regulations.

1.2.1 Delete the square brackets around the amendment to the definition of “Filling ratio”.

2.1.5.2 Delete the text in square brackets (3 times).

2.2.9.1.7.1, Note Delete the strikethrough text in square brackets.

2.2.9.1.7.2 (a) Delete the square brackets around the note.
2.2.9.1.7.2 (f) Delete the square brackets around the note.
3.3, SP 188 Delete the square brackets in the amendment to (f) and to the note.
3.3, SP 296 Delete all square brackets.
3.3, SP 363 Delete the square brackets.
3.3, SP 388 Delete the square brackets in the amendment to paragraph 9.
3.3, SP 401 In the second sentence, delete the text in square brackets. Delete the square brackets around the last sentence.
3.3, SP 403 (b) (i) and (ii) Delete the square brackets.
3.3, SP 408 Delete the square brackets around “shall” (3 times).
4.1.3.6.5 Delete the square brackets around the amendment.
4.1.4.1, P006 In new (5), in the introductory paragraph, delete the text in square brackets (twice).
4.1.4.1, P200 Delete the square brackets in the amendment to (7) (a) (iv).
4.1.4.1, P912 (c) Delete the square brackets and delete the strikethrough text (“the vehicles”).
4.1.4.3, LP03 In new (4), in the introductory paragraph, delete the text in square brackets (twice).
4.2.1.9 Delete the square brackets around the amendment.
4.2.2.8 Delete the square brackets around the amendment.
4.2.3.8 Delete the square brackets around the amendment.
4.3.3.6 Delete the square brackets around the amendment.
5.2.1.9 Delete all square brackets.
5.2.1.9.1 Delete all square brackets.
5.2.1.9.2 In the amendment to the heading of figure 5.2.1.9.2, delete all square brackets.
5.2.2.1.12.1 Delete the square brackets.
6.9.2.6.4.2 Delete the square brackets. In the French version, renumber “6.9.2.4.6.2” as “6.9.2.2.6.4.2”.
6.13.4.3.2 Delete the square brackets.