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Infectious substance transport

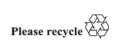
Transmitted by the Council on the Safe Transportation of Hazardous Articles (COSTHA), Dangerous Goods Trainers Association (DGTA) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)*

I. Introduction

- 1. For the last 20 years, and also during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Sub-Committee has held several discussions on infectious substance transportation challenges in using the *Model Regulations* and transporting infectious substances.
- 2. Given that infectious substance transport regulations have matured over the years, COSTHA, DGTA and FAO believe they can be successfully updated with lessons learned.

II. Proposal for a lunchtime working group

- 3. COSTHA, DGTA and FAO would like to propose a lunchtime working group for the sixty-third session. We request the discussion be held on day 4 (Thursday, 30 November 2023).
- 4. Topics that may be addressed:
 - (a) Managing the indicative list of category A pathogens;
- (b) Removal of the technical name requirement for UN 2814 and UN 2900 from shippers declaration;
- (c) Packing instruction P650 restriction in UN 3373 and lithium batteries (other dangerous good) in the same package;
- (d) Used medical device exception not applicable with lithium batteries (other dangerous good) are in the same package;
 - (e) Dry shipper (special provision 346) to transport UN 3373; and





^{*} A/77/6 (Sect. 20), table 20.6

(f) Packing instruction P650 (6) and 6.3.5.3 versus packing instruction P650 (9) and 5.5.3 – test requirements.