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**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:
other proposals**

Proposal for an amendment of 5.4.1 on information required in the transport document in case of the carriage of waste

Transmitted by the Government of Belgium* **

Summary

Referring documents: Working document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2023/37 of the forty-second session, August 2023
Report ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/86, para. 51, item 17 of the forty-second session, August 2023

Introduction

1. During the forty-second session of the ADN Safety Committee the delegations considered the proposal from the European Barge Union and European Skippers Organization (EBU/ESO) concerning a correction of a non-existing reference in "Special provisions for wastes"; see document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2023/37 (EBU/ESO). The Belgian delegation raised a concern on the proposed correction and volunteered to prepare a revised proposal for consideration at the forty-third session by the ADN Safety Committee; see report ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/86, para. 51, item 17.

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** A/78/6 (Sect. 20), table 20.5



Problem description

2. The document correctly points out an error of a reference that does not exist. There is no doubt about that. Secondly, EBU/ESO also noted in the document that there is only a reference for dry cargo vessels and not for tank vessels by referring only to 5.4.1.1.1 and not to 5.4.1.1.2. The Belgian delegation agreed with the proposal but raised a question about the wordings used because "dry cargo vessel" is not mentioned in 5.4.1.1.1.

3. Additionally the last sentence in paragraph 5.4.1.1.3 refers only to special provision 274 in Chapter 3.3, which means that the technical name should be supplemented for the carriage of waste in tank vessels according to the reference to 3.1.2.8.1 in remark 27. Carriage in tank vessels should be treated equally as carriage in bulk or in packages concerning the transport document and the addition or not of the technical name.

Proposal for amendment

4. The Belgian delegation proposes the following amendments (changes are bold and underlined, text to be deleted is bold and stricken through):

Chapter 5.4., 5.4.1.1.3, "Special provisions for wastes", second and last paragraph:

“If the provision for waste as set out in 2.1.3.5.5 is applied, the following shall be added to the dangerous goods description required in 5.4.1.1.1 (a) to (d) ~~and (k) for carriage in bulk or in packages and to 5.4.1.1.2 (a) to (d) for carriage in tank vessels:~~

“WASTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH 2.1.3.5.5” (e.g. “UN 3264, CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S., 8, II, WASTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH 2.1.3.5.5”).

The technical name, as prescribed in Chapter 3.3, special provision 274, in case of carriage in bulk or in packages, or as prescribed in paragraph 3.2.3.1, remark 27 in column (20) of Table C in Chapter 3.2, in case of carriage in tank vessels, need not be added.”

5. This correction uses the wordings used in the current text of the ADN and as stated in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2023/37, a minor error is fixed and reference is made to the documents for the transport of wastes containing dangerous goods either in bulk or in packages, either in tank vessels.

Justification

6. The Belgian delegation is of the opinion that the right justification is made in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2023/37.

7. Moreover, as wastes containing dangerous goods are being transported in tank vessels, a reference to the provisions for the transport document annotation for carriage in tank vessels (5.4.1.1.2 (a) to (d) of ADN) shall be included in 5.4.1.1.3.1 as well as the corresponding exception for supplementing the proper shipping name by the technical name(s) of the compound(s) in the transport document.

Action to be taken

8. The ADN Safety Committee is invited to consider the proposed amendments in paragraph 4 above, and to take action as it deems appropriate.
