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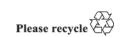
Information on the work of the Working Group on Standards – Removal of column (3) in the tables for the reference to standards in chapters 6.2 and 6.8

Submitted by the European Committee for Standardisation (CEN)*, **

I. Introduction

- 1. At the March 2024 session of the Joint Meeting, the Report of the Working Group on Standards was presented in informal document INF.14. The report asked the Joint Meeting for their opinion to remove column (3) from three tables in Chapters 6.2 and 6.8 of the RID/ADR.
- 2. The standards working group recommended to the Joint Meeting that column (3) was removed from the *design*, *construction and initial inspection test table* in Chapter 6.2 and in Chapter 6.8 column (3) from the tables in *design and construction*, *type examination*, *inspection and test table* along with column (3) in the table in 6.8.3.6.
- 3. Members of the standards working group advised that whilst column (3) in the four tables was of value when standards were introduced into the RID/ADR it was now felt it was no longer of benefit to users and could possibly lead to a user not considering all the applicable aspects of the regulations.
- 4. The Joint Meeting requested that the representative of CEN prepare a formal document with a proposal for the September 2024 session.
- 5. This document proposes to remove column (3) from the *design, construction and initial inspection test* table in Chapter 6.2 and in Chapter 6.8 column (3) from the tables *design and construction* and *type examination, inspection and test* along with column (3) in the table in 6.8.3.6.

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

II. Proposal 1

Chapter 6.2

- 6. In 6.2.4.1 amend the following:
- In the second paragraph, in the second sentence, replace "column (4)" by "column (3)".
- Delete the third paragraph ("Column (3) shows the paragraphs of Chapter 6.2 to which the standard conforms.").
- In the new third paragraph (current fourth paragraph), replace "Column (5)" by "Column (4)".
 - In the table delete the column "Requirements the standard complies with".
- In the table, in the column "Applicable for new type approvals or for renewals" replace "(4)" by "(3)".
- In the table, in the column "Latest date for withdrawal of existing type approvals) replace "(5)" by "(4)".

III. Proposal 2

Chapter 6.8

- 7. In 6.8.2.6.1, amend the following:
- In the second paragraph, in the second sentence, replace "column (4)" to by "column (3)".
- Delete the third paragraph ("Column (3) shows the paragraphs of Chapter 6.8 to which the standard conforms.").
- In the new third paragraph (current fourth paragraph), replace "Column (5)" by "Column (4)".
 - In the table delete the column "Requirements the standard complies with".
- In the table, in the column "Applicable for new type approvals or for renewals" replace "(4)" by "(3)".
- In the table, in the column "Latest date for withdrawal of existing type approvals) replace "(5)" by "(4)".
- 8. In 6.8.2.6.2, amend the following:
 - In the second paragraph replace "column (4)" by "column (3)".
- Delete the third paragraph ("Column (3) shows the paragraphs of Chapter 6.8 to which the standard conforms.").
- In the table, delete the column "Requirements the standard complies with". In the table, in the column "Applicable" replace "(4)" by "(3)".
- 9 In 6.8.3.6, amend the following:
- In the second paragraph after the Note, in the second sentence, replace "column (4)" by "column (3)".
- Delete the third paragraph after the Note ("Column (3) shows the paragraphs of Chapter 6.8 to which the standard conforms.").
- In the new third paragraph after the Note (current fourth paragraph), replace "Column (5)" by "Column (4)".
 - In the table, delete the column "Requirements the standard complies with".

- In the table, in the column "Applicable for new type approvals or for renewals" replace "(4)" by "(3)".
- In the table, in the column "Latest date for withdrawal of existing type approvals" replace "(5)" by "(4)".

IV. Justification

- 10. As has been agreed by the Joint Meeting this simplifies the regulations and the members of the working group on standards support the removal of column (3).
- 11. This proposal contributes to the following United Nations Sustainable Development Goal, 9, *Industry Innovation and Infrastructure*.