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Listing, classification and packing

Proposal to allow articles classified as UN 3363 to contain lithium batteries complying with special provision 188

Transmitted by the expert from China

I. Introduction

1. After the discussion on the document INF.60, the expert from China amended the proposal text as shown in this document.

II. Proposal 1

2. Based on comments received, we propose to amend SP301 as follow (amendments to informal document INF.60 are marked in red):

301 This entry only applies to articles such as machinery, apparatus or devices containing dangerous goods as a residue or an integral element of the articles. It shall not be used for articles for which a proper shipping name already exists in the Dangerous Goods List of chapter 3.2. Articles transported under this entry shall only contain dangerous goods which are authorized to be transported in accordance with the provisions of chapter 3.4 (Limited quantities). Such articles may in addition contain ~~and~~ lithium cells or batteries or sodium ion cells or batteries, provided that the cells or batteries:

- a) provide electrical power for the operation of the article; and
- ~~b) cannot be removed by design; and~~
- e)b) meet the requirements of special provision 188 a) to c), e) and f).

The quantity of dangerous goods other than ~~lithium cells or batteries or sodium ion cells or batteries~~ in articles shall not exceed the quantity specified in Column 7a of the Dangerous Goods List of chapter 3.2 for each item of dangerous goods contained.

If the article contains more than one item of dangerous goods and these could react dangerously with one another during transport, each of the dangerous goods shall be enclosed separately (see 4.1.1.6). When it is required to ensure liquid dangerous goods remain in their intended orientation, orientation arrows shall be displayed on at least two opposite vertical sides with the arrows pointing in the correct direction in accordance with 5.2.1.7.1

Articles containing no other dangerous goods than ~~lithium cells or batteries or sodium-ion~~ cells or batteries shall be transported under UN3091, UN3481 and UN3552, as appropriate.

The competent authority may exempt from regulation articles which would otherwise be transported under this entry.

III. Proposal 2

3. Add a new row at the end of Packing Instruction P907, to read:

Additional requirements:

Cells and batteries shall be protected from damage and short circuit, and the article shall be equipped with an effective means of preventing accidental activation.