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AMENDMENTS TO THE INSTRUCTIONS IN WRITING TO THE DRIVERS

Transmitted by the European Chemistry Industry Council (CEFIC)

Documents related:

New restructured ADR Chapters 5.4 and 8.1 (TRANS/WP.15/159/Add.4 and
TRANS/WP.15/159/Add.11)

Introduction

CEFIC proposes not to mention any more in the instructions in writing to the driver the general purpose equipment included in 8.1.5 i.e. a chock, two self-standing warning signs, a suitable warning vest and a pocket lamp.

Proposal

Amend 8.1.5. as follows:

“Every transport unit carrying dangerous goods shall be equipped with:

- (a) the following general purpose safety equipment:
- at least one **chock** of a size suited to the weight of the vehicle and to the diameter of the wheels;
 - Two self-standing warning signs (e.g. reflective cones or triangles or flashing amber lights which are independent from the electrical equipment of the vehicle);

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- A suitable warning vest or warning clothing (e.g. as described in European Standard EN 471) for each member of the vehicle crew;
 - A pocket lamp (see also 8.3.4) for each member of the vehicle crew;
- (b) A respiratory protective device in conformity with additional requirement S07 (see Chapter 8.5) if this additional requirement applies according to the indication in column 19 of table A of Chapter 3.2;
- (c) The personnel protection and the equipment necessary to take the additional and special actions referred to in the instructions in writing set out in 5.4.3.”

and amend 5.4.3 as follows:

- 5.4.3.1 (f)
“the necessary equipment for additional and / or special actions, if applicable”.
- 5.4.3.8

PERSONAL PROTECTION

“Mention of the personal protection intended for the driver in accordance with the requirements 8.1.5 **(b) and (c)**.”

Justification

This proposal will allow not to overload the list of dangerous goods related safety equipment included in the instructions in writing to the driver with general purpose equipment required in any case for all ADR vehicles.

This simplification will remove unnecessary duplication and will benefit to the clarity and the good comprehension of the information included in the instruction given to the driver.

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