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MARKING OF TANK WAGONS

Transmitted by the Government of France*

SUMMARY

Executive summary: The purpose of this document is the adaptation of the marking of tank

wagons to developments in RID as a result of the introduction of the tank

code.

Decision to be taken: Amend 6.8.2.5.2

Related documents: OCTI/RID/CE/39/12(c), OCTI A 81-03/501.2003, paras. 172-176.

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/92/Add.1, para. 11.

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Introduction

The March 2003 Working Group on Tanks considered proposal OCTI/RID/CE/39/12(c) submitted by Austria which had already been discussed by the RID Committee of Experts (see document INF.14 submitted by OCTI).

The Working Group agreed that the marking on the tank or on a panel of the substance accepted for carriage was no longer as necessary since the entry into force of the restructured RID/ADR, and approved its suppression in principle.

The marking of the special provisions of 6.8.4 on the tank or on a panel was also approved in principle since this question would be the subject of a formal proposal to the Joint Meeting.

The type approval certificate according to 6.8.2.3 defines the tank code and the applicable special provisions of 6.8.4. The substances permitted must be indicated in the case of substances of Class 2 or substances referred to in 4.3.4.1.3; in other cases it is possible to omit them.

This principle was included in the certificate of approval for tank-vehicles as provided for in 9.1.2.1 of ADR. The aim of the following proposal is to introduce it for tank wagons.

Proposal

In 6.8.2.5.2, in the left hand column:

- After "- tank code according to 4.3.4.1.1" insert "- special provisions according to 6.8.4".
- After "- proper shipping name of substance(s) accepted for carriage", add: "for the substances referred to in 4.3.4.1.3. In other cases, the tank should carry the following particulars: 'Carriage according to the tank code and special provisions of 6.8.4'."
- Delete footnote 11.

NOTE: The marking for Class 2 for which 6.8.3.5 provides is not modified.

In our opinion, the marking of the special provisions according to 6.8.4 should also be provided for tank-containers.

Justification

Safety: No problem since this proposal only serves for the correct application of the

regulations.

Feasibility: No problem.

Applicability: This amendment, which serves as a clarification, is necessary.
