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Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN

New proposals

Responsibilities of the filler

Transmitted by the Government of France^{1,2}

Summary

Executive summary: The purpose of this document is to specify the responsibilities of the filler when there is residue on the outside of vehicles for carriage in bulk.

Action to be taken: Amend 1.4.3.3 (g).

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Introduction

1. Under RID/ADR 1.4.3.3 (g), the filler “shall ensure that no dangerous residue of the filling substance adheres to the outside of the tanks filled by him”.
2. Under 1.2.1, the “filler” is the enterprise which loads dangerous goods into a tank (tank vehicle, demountable tank, portable tank or tank-container) and/or into a vehicle, large container or small container for carriage in bulk, or into a battery-vehicle or MGEC.
3. To avoid problems of interpretation in the case of vehicles for carriage in bulk, for example when they are dirtied when filled with waste, it is advisable to amend 1.4.3.3 (g) to cover carriage in bulk.

Proposal

4. Amend RID/ADR 1.4.3.3 (g) as follows:
“He shall ensure that no dangerous residue of the filling substance adheres to the outside of the tanks, vehicles, large containers or small containers for carriage in bulk filled by him;”

Justification

- Safety:** Improves safety.
- Feasibility:** No problem.
- Enforceability:** Solves interpretation problems.
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