

**Economic and Social Council**Distr.: General  
22 June 2011

Original: English

---

**Economic Commission for Europe****Inland Transport Committee****Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods****Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the  
Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

Geneva, 13–23 September 2011

Item 4 of the provisional agenda

**Harmonization with the United Nations****Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods****Amendment of Note 1 to 2.2.3.1.1****Transmitted by the European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)<sup>1,2</sup>****Introduction**

1. Note 1 to 2.2.3.1.1 RID/ADR/ADN provides an exemption from classification in class 3 for substances having a flash-point above 35 °C and not sustaining combustion.
2. Whereas RID/ADR/ADN limits this exemption to “non-toxic and non-corrosive” substances, subsection 2.3.1.3 of the UN Model Regulations does not include this limitation but makes this exemption possible for all flammable liquids.
3. Substances unable to sustain combustion do not pose a flammable hazard. It is therefore not justified to except such substances having toxic or corrosive properties from declassification as flammable liquids. Therefore it is proposed to align RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Model Regulations.

**Proposal**

4. Amend Note 1 to 2.2.3.1.1 as follows (text to be deleted is struck through):

---

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010-2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para 106, ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.7 (c)).

<sup>2</sup> Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2011/46.

*Note 1: Substances having a flash-point above 35 °C, ~~non-toxic and non-corrosive,~~ which do not sustain combustion according to the criteria of sub-section 32.2.5 of Part III of the Manual of Tests and Criteria, are not substances of Class 3; if however, these substances are handed over for carriage and carried whilst heated at temperatures ...*

---



# Economic and Social Council

Distr.: General  
22 June 2011

Original: English

---

## Economic Commission for Europe

### Inland Transport Committee

#### Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

##### Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Geneva, 13–23 September 2011

Item 4 of the provisional agenda

**Harmonization with the United Nations**

**Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

### Amendment of Note 1 to 2.2.3.1.1

Transmitted by the European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)<sup>1,2</sup>

#### Introduction

1. Note 1 to 2.2.3.1.1 RID/ADR/ADN provides an exemption from classification in class 3 for substances having a flash-point above 35 °C and not sustaining combustion.
2. Whereas RID/ADR/ADN limits this exemption to “non-toxic and non-corrosive” substances, subsection 2.3.1.3 of the UN Model Regulations does not include this limitation but makes this exemption possible for all flammable liquids.
3. Substances unable to sustain combustion do not pose a flammable hazard. It is therefore not justified to except such substances having toxic or corrosive properties from declassification as flammable liquids. Therefore it is proposed to align RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Model Regulations.

#### Proposal

4. Amend Note 1 to 2.2.3.1.1 as follows (text to be deleted is struck through):

---

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010-2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para 106, ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.7 (c)).

<sup>2</sup> Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2011/46.

*Note 1: Substances having a flash-point above 35 °C, ~~non-toxic and non-corrosive,~~ which do not sustain combustion according to the criteria of sub-section 32.2.5 of Part III of the Manual of Tests and Criteria, are not substances of Class 3; if however, these substances are handed over for carriage and carried whilst heated at temperatures ...*

---