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#### Tanks

### Sections 1.6.3 and 1.6.4: Transitional measures for tanks

Transmitted by the Government of France<sup>1, 2</sup>

#### *Summary*

<b>Executive summary:</b>	Simplify and update certain transitional measures for tanks.
<b>Decision to be taken:</b>	Amend RID/ADR sections 1.6.3 and 1.6.4.
<b>Related documents:</b>	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/120/Add.1, item 2.

## Introduction

1. At its September 2010 session the working group on tanks considered transitional measures related to tanks. Some provisional texts were drawn up, but were not subsequently proposed for adoption.
2. The aim of this proposal is to put forward those amendments.

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<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/2012/16.

3. In order to continue its consideration of certain transitional measures the Working Group needs to know the amendments adopted at the time, and must thus request the help of the secretariats, in particular for the texts dating back before 1997.

## Proposal

4. It is proposed to amend the ADR transitional measures below, as follows (text to be deleted is highlighted in strike-through, text to be added is highlighted in bold):

1.6.3.6 (a) ~~Fixed tanks (tank vehicles), demountable tanks and battery vehicles constructed between 1 January 1978 and 31 December 1984, if used after 31 December 2004, shall conform to the requirements of marginal 211 127 (5), applicable as from 1 January 1990, concerning shell thickness and protection against damage;~~

(b) Fixed tanks (tank-vehicles), demountable tanks and battery-vehicles constructed between 1 January 1985 and 31 December 1989 **before 1 January 1990**, if used after 31 December 2010, shall conform to the requirements of marginal 211 127 (5), applicable as from 1 January 1990, **may still be used provided they conform to the requirements of 6.8.2.1.20** concerning shell thickness and protection against damage.

*Consequential amendment:*

Delete the beginning of 6.8.2.1.20, "For tanks built after 1 January 1990".

1.6.3.11/1.6.4.7 Tanks constructed before 1 January 1997 in accordance with the requirements in force up to 31 December 1996 but which do not, however, conform to the requirements of ~~marginals 211 332 and 211 333/212 332 and 212 333~~ **6.8.2.1.26** applicable as from 1 January 1997, may still be used.

*Note:* The latter proposal is applicable to RID as well.

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