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Proposal for editorial improvement of the legibility and usability of the ADN: heading of Table C

Transmitted by the European Barge Union (EBU) and the European Skippers Organisation (ESO)****

Related documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/66
Informal document INF.20 of the thirty-second session (subsection B)

Introduction

1. During the EBU/ESO members' dangerous goods meetings and from participating ADN-trainers that have joined the informal working group on the Training of Experts (IAG Sachkundigenausbildung), EBU/ESO have received some improvement proposals mainly editorial, regarding the legibility and usability of the ADN as clarification in general and for the barge crew as specific practical users of the ADN; the ADN-experts on board of barges.

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- 2. During the thirty-second session of the ADN Safety Committee, this proposal was presented on behalf of EBU and ESO. The Safety Committee invited the representatives of EBU and ESO to take account of the comments made and submit a revised proposal in an official document for the thirty-third session. The proposal in this document takes account of that request.
- 3. EBU/ESO invites the Safety Committee to consider an adaption of the ADN concerning adding explanatory paragraph references in the header of Table C in Chapter 3.2.

Proposed adaption of the heading of Table C in Chapter 3.2

- 4. Issue: The structure of Table A and Table C is inconsistent. Explanatory paragraph references in the heading of the Table C are missing and therefore, not in line with the structure of the heading of Table A. It would be helpful to add explanatory paragraph references in the header of Table C, as available in Table A.
- 5. Clarification proposal: add relevant explanatory references in the heading of Table C:

Column 2: 3.1.2

Column 3a: 2.2

Column 3b: 2.2.

Column 4: 2.1.1.3

Column 5: 3.2.3.1

Column 6: 7.2.2.0.1

Column 7-10: 3.2.3.1

Column 11: 7.2.4.21

Column 12: 3.2.3.1

Column 13: 7.2.4.22.3 / 1.2

Column 14-17: 3.2.3.1

Column 18: 8.1.5

Column 19: 7.2.5.0

Column 20: 3.2.3.1

Safety impact

6. Basically, in this proposal there is no change of the purpose of these paragraphs. Positive expectation is that Table C shall be better understood by the people on board and it is easier to work with the Table C.