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Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN: work of the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting

Use of the term "conveyance"

Note by the secretariat

1. During the 2019 meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, an amendment to 5.1.5.3.2 was proposed and the Working Group decided to use the term defined in the UN Model Regulations and the IAEA provisions ("conveyance") instead of the terms "wagon/vehicle" originally proposed by the Secretariat, for RID/ADR.

2. This prompted the OTIF Secretariat to submit a document to the autumn 2019 session of Joint Meeting (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2019/31) proposing that, in order to make the texts consistent, it was necessary to revoke the decision concerning 5.1.5.3.2 and to amend "each conveyance" to read "each wagon/each vehicle" for RID/ADR.

3. The OTIF Secretariat is also inviting the ADN Safety Committee to verify the use of the term "conveyance" throughout the regulations annexed to ADN.

4. This concerns the following parts of ADN:

- 1.2.1, definition of "Exclusive use";
- 1.2.1, definition of "Loader";
- 1.2.1, definition of "Unloader";
- 1.4.3.7.1;
- 1.6.6.3 of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 1.7.1.2, second subparagraph (...to contents limits for packages and vehicles...);
- 4.1.9.1.4 of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 4.1.9.2.4 (a), (b) and (c) of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 5.1.5.1.2 (c);
- 5.1.5.3.2;
- 5.1.5.3.3;
- 5.4.1.2.5.1 (h);
- 5.4.1.2.5.2 (b);
- 6.4.2.1 of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 6.4.23.2 (b) of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 6.4.23.4 (g) of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 6.4.23.15 (e) of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 6.4.23.16 (e) of ADR (applicable for ADN);
- 7.1.4.14.7.2;
- 7.1.4.14.7.3.3;
- 7.2.3.31.2.

5. The OTIF Secretariat's document is reproduced below for ease of reference.

Use of the term "conveyance"

Transmitted by the Secretariat of OTIF

Introduction

1. In the amended wording of 5.1.5.3.2, the ad hoc working group on the harmonisation of RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods decided to use the term defined in the UN Model Regulations and the IAEA provisions ("conveyance") instead of the terms "wagon/vehicle" originally proposed by the Secretariat (see document OTIF/RID/RC/2019/22– ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2019/22 paragraph 56 and OTIF/RID/RC/2019/22/Add.1 – ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2019/22/Add.1).

2. RID/ADR 1.2.1 defines the term "conveyance" as follows:

"For carriage by road or by rail, a *road vehicle* or a *wagon*."

ADN 1.2.1 defines the term "conveyance" as follows:

"With respect to the carriage by inland waterway, any vessel, hold or defined deck area of any vessel; for carriage by road or by rail, it means a vehicle or a wagon."

3. It was noted that in the current texts that have been carried over into RID/ADR from the IAEA provisions, the term "wagon" or "vehicle" was used instead of the term "conveyance" defined in 1.2.1.

4. This concerns the following parts of RID/ADR:

- 1.2.1, definition of "exclusive use",
- 1.6.6.3,
- 1.7.1.2, second subparagraph,
- 4.1.9.1.4,
- 4.1.9.2.4 (a), (b) and (c),
- 5.1.5.1.2 (c),
- 5.1.5.3.2,
- 5.1.5.3.3,
- 5.4.1.2.5.1 (h) (four times),
- 5.4.1.2.5.2 (b),
- 6.4.2.1,
- 6.4.23.2 (b),
- 6.4.23.4 (g),
- 6.4.23.15 (e),
- 6.4.23.16 (e),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (2), first sentence,
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (2), Table C (twice),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (3.3), (a) (twice),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (3.3), (b) (twice),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (3.3), (c),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (3.3), Table D (three times),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33, Table E (three times),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (4.2) (twice),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (4.3) (e),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (5.1) (twice),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (5.3),
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (5.4) and
- 7.5.11 special provision CW/CV 33 (5.5).

5. In the above-mentioned places, ADN uses various terms: "Conveyance", "vessel", "vessel, vehicle, wagon", "vessel or CTU", "vehicle or wagon", "compartment of a vessel, or in another conveyance", "conveyance, hold or compartment of a vessel".

Proposal

6. In order to make the texts consistent, it is proposed to revoke the decision concerning 5.1.5.3.2 of the ad hoc working group on the harmonisation of RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and for RID/ADR to amend "each conveyance" to read "each wagon/each vehicle".

7. The decision as to which term should be used in ADN is a matter for the ADN Safety Committee.
