RID: 41st Session of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods  
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Subject: Packing Instruction P 620

Suggestion transmitted by the Secretariat of OTIF

SUMMARY

Explanatory summary:

In contrast to ADR and the UN Model Regulations, RID packing instruction P620 prescribes an additional requirement 4 which, in the Secretariat's view, could be deleted.

Measure:

In a corrigendum to the 2005 edition, delete additional requirement 4 in packing instruction P620 of RID.

Related documents:

None.
When harmonising RID/ADR/ADN with the 13th edition of the UN Model Regulations, packing instruction P620 was revised. After the adopted amendments were incorporated into RID/ADR, it was noticed that in contrast to ADR, RID contains the following additional requirement, which was taken over from marginal 658 (1) of the 1999 edition of RID when it was restructured.

"4. The openings of primary receptacles for liquids of UN Nos. 2814 and 2900 shall be closed so as to be leakproof by means of two devices placed in series, one of which shall be screw-threaded or secured in an equivalent manner."

As this additional requirement is not prescribed in either ADR, the IMDG Code or the UN Model Regulations, and as, in the Secretariat's view, it is already covered by additional requirement 2 (a), it is proposed that this requirement be deleted in a corrigendum.