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Subject: Marking the next test on tank-wagons

Proposal transmitted by Belgium

Summary

In the marking of the date of the next test, make a distinction so that it can be seen at a glance whether the next test is a leakproofness test or a hydraulic pressure test.

Introduction

At the last RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting in September 2005, it was decided that the marking on the tank showing the date of the most recent test should distinguish between the leakproofness test and the hydraulic pressure test.

The decision taken was as follows:

- **"6.8.2.5.1** Amend the current eighth indent to read as follows:
 - "- date and type of the most recent test: "month, year" followed by a "P" when the test is the initial test or a periodic test in accordance with 6.8.2.4.1 and 6.8.2.4.2, or "month, year" followed by an "L" when the test is an intermediate leakproofness test in accordance with 6.8.2.4.3;"

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Belgium proposes similarly to make this distinction when providing the date of the next periodic inspection on the shell of tank-wagons.

Proposal

- 6.8.2.5.2 Amend the eighth indent in the left-hand column to read as follows:
 - "- date and type of the next test: "month, year" followed by a "P" when the test is the periodic test in accordance with 6.8.2.4.2, or "month, year" followed by an "L" when the test is an intermediate leakproofness test in accordance with 6.8.2.4.3;"

Remark by the Secretariat of OTIF:

- In the eighth indent of 6.8.2.5.1 referred to above, a Note was also included, as follows:
 - "NOTE: Where the periodic test includes a leakproofness test, only the letter "P" shall be marked on the plate."

This Note should also appear in the newly worded eighth indent of 6.8.2.5.2.

 A transitional provision is necessary for the proposed amendment to the information on the tank-wagon. It is proposed to add a third sub-paragraph to the transitional provision in 1.6.3.25 (see also document OCTI/RID/CE/42/4a)), as follows:

"The type of the next test ("P" or "L") required by 6.8.2.5.2 need not be added to the tankwagon until the first test after 1 January 2007 is performed."

Justification

This proposal has been submitted at the request of the workshops, for whom a provision such as this would make their work easier.

Effects on safety

None.