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**Proposal transmitted by Belgium**

## **Introduction**

In the 2007 edition of ADR, it was explained in 7.5.1 that placing a container, bulk-container, tank-container or portable tank onto a vehicle is considered as loading, and removing it is considered as unloading.

7.5.1.2 says that loading must not be carried out if the vehicles/containers do not comply with the regulatory provisions.

Belgium believes that these principles also apply in rail transport.

Belgium therefore proposes that RID 7.5.1.2 be aligned with ADR.

## **Proposal**

**7.5** After the heading, insert a Note as follows:

**"Note.** Within the meaning of this section, placing a container, bulk-container, tank-container, portable tank or road vehicle onto a wagon is considered as loading, and removing it is considered as unloading."

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**7.5.1.2** To read as follows:

**"7.5.1.2** The loading shall not be carried out if:

- an examination of the documents or
- a visual inspection of the wagon or of the large container(s), bulk container(s), tank-container(s), portable tank(s) or road vehicle(s), if any, as well as of their equipment used in loading and unloading,

shows that the wagon, a large container, a bulk-container, a tank-container, a portable tank, a road vehicle or their equipment do not comply with the regulatory provisions."

**7.5.1.3** Insert the following new sentence at the beginning:

"The unloading shall not be carried out, if the above-mentioned inspections reveal deficiencies that might affect the safety or the security of the unloading."

### **Justification**

The duties of those involved in the transport operation who load containers or road vehicles onto wagons would be better defined.

In contrast to ADR, where the Note relates only to 7.5.1, the Note proposed here relates to the whole of Chapter 7.5, as RID 7.5.3 also deals with the loading of containers onto wagons.

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