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Introduction

1. At the 8th session of the standing working group, 7.5.7.1 "Handling and stowage" was amended in the context of the work on harmonising with the other transport modes. UIC took the opportunity to point out the existence of loading rules in the guidelines produced and administered by UIC and in draft standard prEN 16860¹. Information on UIC's "good practice" is public: https://uic.org/loading-rules. At the 8th session, UIC agreed to submit a proposal to include a reference to this "good practice" in RID 2019 (see OTIF/CE/GTP/2017-A, paragraph 10).

Proposal

2. The amendment proposed by UIC relates to the text adopted by the 8th session of the standing working group (additional text is shown in bold).

7.5.7.1 At the end, insert a reference to footnote 1 to read as follows:

Guidance on the stowage of dangerous goods can be found in the IMO/ILO/UNECE Code of Practice for Packing of Cargo Transport Units (CTU Code) (see e.g. chapter 9 Packing cargo into CTUs and chapter 10 Additional advice on the packing of dangerous goods). Other guidance is also available from competent authorities and industry and transport bodies, particularly in the "Loading Guidelines – Code of practice for

Railway Applications – Requirements and general principles for securing payload in rail freight transport the loading and securing of goods on railway wagons", published by the International Union of Railways (UIC) (see https://uic.org/loading-rules)."