



Amendment of RID

On 24 May 2022, the 57th session of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (RID Committee of Experts) was held in Berne (hybrid meeting).

At this 57th session, the RID Committee of Experts adopted the amendments to RID prepared by its standing working group in 2020, 2021 and 2022 with a view to entry into force on 1 January 2023.

These amendments will be communicated to the OTIF Member States on 1 July 2022 and they will have the opportunity to object to them within four months. These amendments will also be published on OTIF's website in the Organisation's three working languages. This early publication gives actors in the sector time to adapt to amendments in the dangerous goods legislation.

Ensuring the safe transport of dangerous goods by rail is one of the fundamental tasks of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF). The biennial revision of RID allows technical progress to be taken into account and lessons to be learned from accidents and incidents.

The RID Committee of Experts is the organ of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) that decides on amendments to the Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID - Appendix C to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF)). A new edition of RID is published every two years. In accordance with EU Directive 2008/68 on the inland transport of dangerous goods, the requirements of RID must also be applied in national traffic in the EU Member States, so amendments to RID have a direct impact on the Member States' national law.

