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**Subject:** CIT's Notice concerning the carriage of dangerous goods in passenger trains

**Proposal transmitted by the International Rail Transport Committee (CIT)**

## **1. Introduction**

At its meeting in May 2010, the RID Committee of Experts decided on the new text of Chapter 7.7 RID *Carriage of dangerous goods as hand luggage, registered luggage or in or on board vehicles (car on train)*. In the meeting of the informal working group preceding the Committee of Experts' meeting it was thought desirable that the notice produced by the CIT on this issue should likewise be updated. This notice provides CIT member undertakings with a model document for information to passengers.

## **2. Revised text**

The CIT General Secretariat has reviewed the text as desired and revised it with the aid of the CIT's CIV Working Group.

## **3. Approval by the RID Committee of Experts**

The CIT invites the Committee of Experts to approve the revised text, below.

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## ***Notice concerning the carriage of dangerous goods in passenger trains\*)***

The substances and articles of the Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID) are only permitted to be carried as hand or registered luggage under strict conditions and in very small quantities. Substances and articles regarded as dangerous include the following: gases, explosive substances and articles, flammable, oxidizing, self-reactive, toxic, infectious, radioactive, corrosive and harmful and environmentally hazardous substances.

### **1. Hand or registered luggage**

Only the dangerous goods that are listed in Chapter 7.7 are permitted to be carried as hand or registered luggage. These include particular dangerous goods for personal use and equipment containing dangerous goods in its internal mechanisms provided that its packaging or nature prevents any leakage of contents, for example,

- matches, cigarette lighters,
- aerosols,
- electronic equipment for recording and reproduction, cellular telephones and portable computers,
- gases contained in foodstuffs (mineral water, for example), in balls intended for use in sports, in light bulbs,
- lithium batteries contained in equipment and
- dangerous goods in exempted quantities provided the conditions for exemption are met.

Radioactive substances,

- implanted or incorporated for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes in the body of a person or live animal,
- contained in products for consumption after their sale to the end-user if they have been approved by the competent authorities,
- which arise naturally and contain radionuclides in their natural state or from which the radionuclides have been extracted,

are permitted.

Therapeutic equipment for the journey is permitted.

Carriers may impose additional restrictions.

### **2. Carriage of dangerous goods in or on board vehicles (car on train)**

The dangerous goods defined in point 1 above may also be carried in or on board vehicles (car on train). In addition, gases contained in the fuel tanks of vehicles, machines or equipment are permitted as are refillable receptacles not exceeding 60 litres for flammable liquids or liquid fuel. Dangerous goods which are used for performing a main activity (for example, as a manual worker or sales representative) with the exception of internal or external distribution and of radioactive substances and articles may be carried subject to not exceeding the maximum quantities laid down and provided measures have been taken to prevent leakage of the contents. Uncleaned empty packaging from these goods may also be carried.

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\*) This notice is designed to draw the attention of passengers to the current restrictions on the carriage of dangerous goods as registered or hand luggage and in or on motor vehicles (car on train).

The complete regulation is shown in Chapter 7.7 of the Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail – RID (see [www.cit-rail.org](http://www.cit-rail.org) >>Passenger traffic >>Legislation >>RID Chapter 7.7). This notice itself is available in the public part of the CIT website [www.cit-rail.org](http://www.cit-rail.org) >>Passenger traffic >>GCC-CIV-PRR.