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Subject: Corrections for the 2013 edition of RID

Information from the Secretariat

1. At the Joint Meeting (Geneva, 17 to 21 September 2012), various errors in the amendments that will enter into force on 1 January 2013 were noted. It was proposed that these should be corrected as soon as possible.

2. As the corrections all entail material amendments to the texts adopted for 2013, the Secretariat suggests that the usual procedure for entry into force be used for all the corrections that follow.

3. The corrections could therefore be brought into force within the timeframe of the general transitional provision in RID 1.6.1.1, according to which the provisions of the 2011 edition of RID may continue to be applied until 30 June 2013.

Corrections

Chapter 2.2

2.2.62.1.5.7 In the second sentence, for "6.6.5" read
"6.6.4".

Justification: Inappropriate cross-reference. 2.2.62.1.5.7 refers to construction requirements in 6.6.5 but 6.6.5 contains test requirements. The applicable construction requirements can be found in 6.6.4.

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Chapter 4.1

4.1.4.1

For "Outer packagings", "Drums", after "other metal (1N1, 1N2)" insert the following entry:

"Plywood (1D)".

Justification: The possibility of using drums made of plywood (1D) was deleted from the UN Model Regulations by mistake. In the context of the harmonisation process, this error was also taken over into RID.

paragraph (2), subparagraphs (a) and (b): For the existing text, substitute:

"(a) Strong outer packagings;
(b) Protective enclosures (e.g. fully enclosed or wooden slatted crates); or
(c) Pallets or other handling devices."

Justification: The UN Sub-Committee on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, (Geneva, 25 June to 4 July 2012) indicated that strong outer packagings and protective enclosures should be considered as two separate alternatives, as was the case in the 16th edition of the UN Recommendations (RID 2011). The UN Sub-Committee decided to correct this in the 18th revised edition of the UN Recommendations. The Sub-Committee also asked modal organisations such as IMO, ICAO, UNECE and OTIF to take the correction into account in the 2013 versions of their respective instruments (see paragraphs 104 and 105 of report ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/82).

1.8.6.8, last and last but one sub-paragraph
6.2.2.10, in the three sub-paragraphs after the Table
6.2.3.6.1, in the second, third and fourth sub-paragraph after the Table
6.8.2.4.6, in the second indent of the last but two sub-paragraph
6.8.4, special provisions TA 4 and TT 9

Replace "EN ISO/IEC 17020:2004" with:

"EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012".

Justification: The European Commission decided that from 1 October 2012, application of the 2012 edition of standard EN ISO/IEC 17020 will be mandatory. The result of not aligning the reference in RID to this standard could be that inspection bodies might not be able to be accredited, because accreditation bodies in accordance with EU law must apply the 2012 edition of the standard, while the inspection bodies in accordance with RID must meet the requirements of the 2004 edition. While RID 6.2.5 and 6.8.2.7 prescribe that a standard which has been adopted for reference in a future edition of RID may be approved by the competent authority for use, this information is not contained in 1.8.6.8.