

## Chapter 4.4

### Use of fibre-reinforced plastics (FRP) tank-containers including tank swap bodies

**NOTE:** For portable tanks and UN multiple-element gas containers (MEGCs), see Chapter 4.2; for tank-wagons, demountable tanks, tank-containers and tank swap bodies, with shells made of metallic materials, and battery-wagons and multiple elements gas containers (MEGCs) other than UN MEGCs, see Chapter 4.3; for vacuum-operated waste containers, see Chapter 4.5.

#### 4.4.1 General

The carriage of dangerous substances in fibre-reinforced plastics (FRP) tank-containers, including tank swap bodies, is permitted only when the following conditions are met:

- (a) The substance is classified in Class 3, 5.1, 6.1, 6.2, 8 or 9;
- (b) The maximum vapour pressure (absolute pressure) at 50 °C of the substance does not exceed 110 kPa (1.1 bar);
- (c) The carriage of the substance in metallic tanks is authorized according to 4.3.2.1.1;
- (d) The calculation pressure specified for that substance in part 2 of the tank code given in Column (12) of Table A in Chapter 3.2 does not exceed 4 bar (see also 4.3.4.1.1) and,
- (e) The tank-container, including tank swap bodies, complies with the provisions of Chapter 6.9 applicable for the carriage of the substance.

#### 4.4.2 Operation

**4.4.2.1** The provisions of 4.3.2.1.5 to 4.3.2.2.4, 4.3.2.3.3 to 4.3.2.3.6, 4.3.2.4.1, 4.3.2.4.2, 4.3.4.1 and 4.3.4.2 shall apply.

**4.4.2.2** The temperature of the substance carried shall not exceed, at the time of filling, the maximum service temperature indicated on the tank plate referred to in 6.9.6.

**4.4.2.3** When applicable to carriage in metallic tanks, the special provisions (TU) of 4.3.5 shall also apply, as indicated in Column (13) of Table A in Chapter 3.2.