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Updating of the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS): physical hazards

Correction to self-reactive substances and mixtures criteria in the French edition of the GHS

Transmitted by the expert from Canada¹

Introduction

- 1. The classification criteria relating to Type E in Chapter 2.8 of the French version of the GHS contains an error.
- 2. The text says « ne déflagre pas rapidement » in paragraph 2.8.2.2 (e). This translates to "does not deflagrate rapidly". However, the English equivalent text says "nor deflagrates at all".

Proposal

3. Remove the word "rapidement" in paragraph 2.8.2.2 (e) on page 84 in the next edition of the French version of the GHS.

Justification

4. The criteria should be identical in all languages.

Please recycle

In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2011-2012 approved by the Committee at its fifth session (refer to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/76, para. 116 and ST/SG/AC.10/38, para. 16).