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Recommendations by the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Report ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/102 (51st session, 3-7 July 2017), paragraph 69:

69. The Sub-Committee noted that the requirement that the minimum width of the line inside the edge forming the diamond of hazard labels be 2 mm, introduced in the eighteenth revised edition of the Recommendations, caused problems in the procedure of acceptance of consignments offered for air transport, as sometimes consignments were rejected if the width was not exactly 2 mm. The Sub-Committee agreed that specifying a minimum thickness for the line was not necessary for safety and agreed to adopt an amendment as proposed in informal document INF.41 (see annex II). Organizations responsible for modal regulations were invited to amend their respective instruments accordingly.

Proposal adapted for RID/ADR/ADN

Replace the second and third sentences of 5.2.2.2.1.1.2 by the new text proposed in ST/SG AC.10/C.3/102/Add.1 for 5.2.2.2.1.1.2 in the Model Regulations.

5.2.2.1.1.2 Amend to read as follows:

"The label shall be in the form of a square set at an angle of 45° (diamond-shaped). The minimum dimensions shall be 100 mm x 100 mm. There shall be a line inside the edge forming the diamond which shall be parallel and approximately 5 mm from the outside of that line to the edge of the label. The minimum dimensions shall be 100 mm x 100 mm and the minimum width of the line inside the edge forming the diamond shall be 2 mm. The line inside the edge shall be parallel and 5 mm from the outside of that line to the edge of the label. The line inside the edge on the upper half of the label shall be the same colour as the symbol and the line inside the edge on the lower half of the label shall be the same colour as the class or division number in the bottom corner. Where dimensions are not specified, all features shall be in approximate proportion to those shown."