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**Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN:**

**New proposals**

 Separate assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function on UN pressure receptacles

 Transmitted by the Government of France[[1]](#footnote-1)\*,[[2]](#footnote-2)\*\*

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|  *Summary* |
| **Executive summary:** The intention of the proposal is to harmonize the conformity assessment procedures for valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function on UN pressure receptacles and non-UN pressure receptacles. |
| **Action to be taken:** Amend 6.2.2.11. |
| **Related documents:** INF.13 from the September 2018 session. ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/152, para. 39 |
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 Introduction

1. 6.2.3.6.1 of RID/ADR, applicable to non-UN pressure receptacles, indicates that:

“For refillable pressure receptacles, the conformity assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function may be carried out separately from the pressure receptacles.”

2. 6.2.2.11 does not contain any such provision dealing with equivalent procedures for the conformity assessment of UN pressure receptacles.

3. At its September 2018 session, the Joint Meeting agreed, on the basis of informal document INF.13, “that the provisions of 6.2.3.6.1 applicable to non-UN pressure receptacles as regards the conformity assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function were also pertinent for UN pressure receptacles, and that 6.2.2.11 should be amended accordingly.”

4. In order to harmonize the procedures for the conformity assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function on UN pressure receptacles and non-UN pressure receptacles, we propose that a sentence similar to that in 6.2.3.6.1 should be added to 6.2.2.11, as follows.

 Proposal

5. In 6.2.2.11, after the table, add the following sentence:

“For refillable pressure receptacles, the conformity assessment of valves and other demountable accessories having a direct safety function may be carried out separately from that of the pressure receptacles.”

 Justification

6. This addition clarifies the situation and harmonizes the procedures for the conformity assessment of the equipment of pressure receptacles.

1. \* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2018–2019 (ECE/TRANS/2018/21/Add.1 (9.2)) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. \*\* Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2019/29. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)