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Miscellaneous proposals for amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods: other miscellaneous proposals

New transitional measures for pressure receptacles

Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)

Introduction

1. During the Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (WP.15/AC.1) from 21 September to 1 October 2021, transitional provisions for the amendments to 6.2.1.5.2, 6.2.2.7.3 (k) and (l) and 6.2.2.11 have been adopted, and these would also be necessary for the UN Model Regulations, hence the representative of EIGA was requested to also submit a document with similar transitional measures to the UN Sub-Committee on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.

2. It is recognized that the UN Model Regulations do not have dates when each revised edition comes into force or is superseded by a new one. Therefore, these proposals are written using expressions such as “applicable in the twenty-second revision”. It is recommended that these expressions are replaced by the relevant calendar dates when these transition provisions are transcribed into legislation.

Proposals

3. 6.2.1.5.2 Insert at the end the following note:

***NOTE:** Closed cryogenic receptacles which were constructed in accordance with the initial inspection and test requirements of 6.2.1.5.2 applicable in the twenty-first revised edition of the Model Regulations but which do not however conform to the requirements of 6.2.1.5.2 relating to the initial inspection and test applicable in the twenty-second revised edition of the Model Regulations, may continue to be used.*

4. 6.2.2.7.3 Insert at the end the following note:

***NOTE:** Acetylene cylinders constructed in accordance with the twenty-first revised edition of the Model Regulations which are not marked in accordance with 6.2.2.7.3 (k) or (l) applicable in the twenty-second revised edition of the Model Regulations, may continue to be used until the next periodic inspection and test two years after the entry into force of the twenty-third revision of the Model Regulations.*

5. 6.2.2.11 Insert at the end the following note:

***NOTE:** Closures of refillable pressure receptacles constructed in accordance with the requirements applicable in the twenty-first revised edition of the Model Regulations which are not marked in accordance with the requirements of 6.2.2.11 applicable in the twenty-second revised edition may continue to be used.*
