



Economic Commission for Europe**Inland Transport Committee****Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

Joint Meeting of Experts on the Regulations annexed to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN) (ADN Safety Committee)

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Item 5 of the provisional agenda

Reports of informal working groups**Minutes of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Group of Recommended ADN Classification Societies****Transmitted by the Recommended ADN Classification Societies*****

Date: 22 March 2023, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Location: Online

Participants:

- Bureau Veritas (BV): Mr. Guy Jacobs
- Croatian Register of Shipping (CRS): Mr. Ivan Bilić-Prcić
- Det Norske Veritas (DNV): Mr. Torsten Dosdahl
- Lloyds Register (LR): Mr. Bas Joormann (Chair)
- Registro Italiano Navale (RINA): Mr. Pavlos Safralis
- Russian River Register (RCS): Mr. Michael Kozin
- Russian Maritime Register of Shipping (RS): Mr. Sergey Legusha
- Shipping Register of Ukraine (SRU): Mr. Mykola Slozko

1. Opening.

1. The chair opens the meeting and welcomes the participants.
2. The agenda is adopted with the addition of items at 2e, 4, and 5.

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2. Minutes of the twenty-fourth meeting, status of open action points (document 24.IG.10)*(a) Propylene Oxide (action LR).*

3. This item is still not finished but is scheduled to be finished in the coming months.

(b) Risk assessment high jets (action RINA).

4. The workshop is planned for end of April 2023.

(c) List of interpretations (action CRS / LR / DNV / BV)

5. The document is discussed in detail. Mr. Bilić-Prčić will send this version to the group for a final review. After this it will be submitted to the UNECE secretariat as a working document (**action CRS**).

(d) Entries in Table C with remark 44 (action DNV / LR).

6. As during the last session of the ADN Safety Committee the Working Group on Substances was invited to further discuss this topic, it was considered that no further action from the group is necessary. At the next meeting LR will demonstrate their new cargo list software.

7. Item is considered as closed.

(e) Status of update of 9.3.4 of ADN (action LR).

8. An update on this item is given. The investigation has been finalised by the Netherlands Organization for Applied Scientific Research (TNO), and TNO will submit a proposal to the UNECE secretariat for changes of 9.3.4 of ADN. These changes will be on the available energy characteristics and the calculation methods to be used. No change in the maximum tank volume is foreseen. TNO will be asked to submit their proposal first to this group, and when deemed necessary a meeting can be planned for discussing it.

3. Discussion on recognition (proposal from Belgium and Luxembourg)

9. The discussions in the ADN Safety Committee and the informal meeting in Brussels on 3 March are recalled.

10. The two action points are still open. First action is to give a written explanation on the recognition of classification societies, and the way they are being audited (**action BV / LR**).

11. The second one is to make a draft proposal for a way forward to meet the wishes of the Belgium and Luxembourg delegations for a better insight of the activities of classification societies (**action LR / BV**).

12. Both items will be sent to the group for comments before submitting them to the delegations.

4. Technical issues

13. LR has a question on the need for closed sampling devices to be permanently kept on board. All participants agree that when a sampling device is indicated in the Certificate of Approval it needs to be on board.

14. CRS asks if the cargo hold ventilation on dry cargo ships always needs to be present, also when no ADN cargo is being transported. It's agreed that according to 9.1.0.12.1 this ventilation always needs to be present. However, it may be a removable ventilation system.

5. Any other business*(a) Document 25.IG.02 Proposal for correction of 7.2.2.19.3*

15. After some discussion it was decided that the document should contain some more corrections. The transitional provisions also need to be taken into account. DNV will include

these items in the document, and it will be further developed by email. It is planned to submit it to the UNECE secretariat as a working document (**action DNV / BV**).

(b) *Document 25.IG.03 Pumproom / pump room / pump-room*

16. As also in the class Rules of BV and LR different ways of writing are being used, there is no clear answer. BV will send an email with this item to the UNECE secretariat to ask their attention for a consequent use of the wording (**action BV**).

(c) *Document 25.IG.04 Correction to 9.3.2.51(c)*

17. All participants agree. BV will submit this proposal to the UNECE secretariat (**action BV**).

(d) *Document 25.IG.05 Service space*

18. All participants agree that an engine room can be considered as service space. BV will include this in the list of interpretations as discussed at item 2c (**action BV**). After some discussion it is also decided to prepare a proposal to include the definition of engine room in the ADN (**action BV**).

(e) *BV asks about the way the new ADN requirements need to be applied.*

19. According to 1.6.1.1 the previous version of the ADN can still be used until 30 June 2023. This is not only applicable for the cargo list, but also for the technical part.

6. Next meeting

20. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 25 October 2023. The format of the next meeting (in person or online) will be decided in early October 2023.

7. Closing

21. The chair thanks all participants for this fruitful meeting.
