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Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Geneva, 19 – 27 September 2023 Item 1 of the provisional agenda Adoption of the agenda

#### Provisional agenda for the autumn 2023 session

Addendum

Annotations and list of documents

# 1. Adoption of the agenda

The first item on the agenda concerns its adoption. The Joint Meeting will also have before it the report on its spring 2023 session, held in Bern from 20 to 24 March 2023 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/168 – OTIF/RID/RC/2023-A and Add.1).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its autumn 2022 session, the Joint Meeting elected Mr. C. Pfauvadel (France) as Chair and Ms. S. García Wolfrum (Spain) as Vice-Chair;

(b) UNECE documents (other than agendas or reports) with the symbol ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/ are circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) in German under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/ followed by the same document number. As part of the secretariat's efforts to reduce expenditure, documents will not be available in the conference room. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to the meeting;

(c) The documentation will be available on the UNECE website (unece.org/transport/dangerous-goods) in English, French and Russian;

(d) The Joint Meeting would, if necessary, like an ad hoc working group to meet during the second week of the session, outside the times of the plenary session, to consider documents concerning standards (item 3), in accordance with the mandate to be decided by the Joint Meeting (note: the Working group on Standards is expected to meet already on 29 August 2023);

(e) Documents related to agenda item 2 (Tanks) will be discussed by the Working Group on Tanks during the first week of the session, after this item has been discussed in plenary;

(f) The link for online registration of delegates is: https://indico.un.org/event/1002214/

(g) Following the global recovery from impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the United Nations Office in Geneva will return back to "Business As Usual" and, therefore, the Joint Meeting sessions will again be organized as in-person meetings only;

(h) The reading of the report (item 12) is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon (27 September 2023) with interpretation. Taking into account the number of documents, the bureaux of the Joint Meeting decided to shorten the session to seven days instead of nine.

## 2. Tanks

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/26 (UIC)	Clarification of the provisions on the holding time for the carriage of tanks with refrigerated liquefied gases
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/27 (Netherlands)	Carriage of foodstuffs, articles of consumption and animal feeds in tanks used for dangerous goods
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/28 (Netherlands)	Exemption of accreditation in case of competent authorities performing inspection tasks
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/29 (Netherlands)	Clarification of application of 6.8.2.2 to 6.8.3.2
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/30 (Netherlands)	Obligations of in-house inspection services
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/33 (EIGA, ECMA)	RID/ADR 6.8.3.6 – Requirements for battery- wagons/battery-vehicles and multiple- element gas containers which are designed, constructed, inspected and tested according to referenced standards
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/52 (France)	Types of valves which can be fitted on battery-wagons/battery-vehicles or MEGCs in accordance with the standards specified in RID/ADR 6.8.3.6
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/35 (Belgium)	Marking of the maximum allowed working pressure
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/37 (Belgium)	6.8.1.5.1 and 6.8.1.5.4 – Incoherence between ADR and RID 2023
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/46 (France)	Elimination of the dual approval of tanks according to chapters 6.7 and 6.8 in RID/ADR
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/53 (France)	Terminology used in 6.8.2.5.2 in RID/ADR for marking
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/54 (France)	Clarification of RID/ADR 4.3.4.2.1 on the temperature of the external tank surface

# 3. Standards

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/34 (CEN)

Information on work of the Working Group on Standards

# 4. Harmonization with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/23 and Add.1 (Secretariat)

Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

# 5. Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN

#### (a) Pending issues

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/24 (Germany, Cefic)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/41 (COSTHA) ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/42 (FEAD) ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/43 (FEAD) ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/44 (France)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/47 (COSTHA) ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/48 (Ireland)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/49 (France) ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/50 (France)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/51 (France)

Dangerous goods in machinery, apparatus or articles – expiry of the transitional measure in RID/ADR 1.6.1.46

Definitions for consolidation bin and overpack

Chemical compatibility for plastics packaging containing liquid waste

Transport of waste in inner packagings packed together in an outer packaging

Clarification of the provisions applicable to the placarding of removable skips used for the transport of dangerous goods in bulk

Last mile delivery

Information on the quantity transported in the transport document in accordance with 5.4.1.1.3.2

Carriage in bulk of empty packagings, uncleaned according to 7.3.1.1

Clarification of the provisions applicable for placarding of wagons/vehicles for the carriage in bulk

Carriage in bulk of specific categories of waste containing asbestos (UN Nos 2590 and 2212)

#### (b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/25 (OTIF secretariat)	Hazard identification numbers 78 and 87
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/32 (OTIF secretariat)	Dangerous goods safety adviser examination
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/36 (Belgium)	Definition of "maximum capacity"
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/38 (Netherlands)	Testing of packaging or IBC fitted with a venting device
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/39 (Netherlands)	Amendments to Table A, special provision 645 and 5.4.1.2.1 (g)
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/45 (Liquid Gas Europe)	Misleading graph at the end of 4.1.4.1, packing instruction P200

# 6. Interpretation of RID/ADR/ADN

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/31 (Netherlands)

Approval of modified intermediate bulk containers

# 7. Reports of informal working groups

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2023/40 (Germany, IRU)

Report on the second meeting of the informal working group on e-learning

## 8. Accidents and risk management

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

# 9. United Nations 2030 Agenda for sustainable development

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

# 10. Election of officers for 2024

#### 11. Future work

The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the spring 2024 session (Bern, 25-28 March 2024).

# 12. Any other business

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

# 13. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, the Joint Meeting will adopt the report of the session on the basis of a draft established by the secretariat.