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Implementation of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN): special authorizations, derogations and equivalents

Request for a recommendation

Submitted by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)

1. The Dutch delegations submitted several requests for recommendations for vessels using alternative fuels:
 - "Antonie": ECETRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/31
 - "FPS Waal": ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/32
 - "Rhenus Mannheim": ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/33
 - "Stolt Ijssel": ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/34
2. All these working documents share a paragraph 2 in the Annex on "Decision of the ADN Administrative Committee relating to the use of [...]" with a reference to conditions set by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR).
3. The CCNR Secretariat suggests to make reference to the individual CCNR recommendation in each of the above-mentioned working documents for legal reasons:
 - "Antonie": Recommendation 8/2023
 - "FPS Waal": Recommendation 6/2023
 - "Rhenus Mannheim": Recommendation 5/2023
 - "Stolt Ijssel": Recommendation 1/2023
4. These recommendations are published as CCNR resolution 2023-II-22 which can be downloaded from the CCNR website (<https://www.ccr-zkr.org/13020400-fr.html>). A complete list of CCNR recommendations is also available (https://www.ccr-zkr.org/files/documents/reglementRV/rv3f_rec_122023.pdf)
5. Proposals for amendments:
 - In ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/31, in the Annex, paragraph 2 reads as:

"2. The Administrative Committee decides that the use of this hydrogen fuel system is sufficiently safe if the conditions as set in recommendation 8/2023 by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) are met at all times."

- In ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/32, in the Annex, paragraph 2 reads as:
"2. The Administrative Committee decides that the use of this hydrogen fuel system is sufficiently safe if the conditions as set in recommendation 5/2023 by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) are met at all times."
- In ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/33, in the Annex, paragraph 2 reads as:
"2. The Administrative Committee decides that the use of this hydrogen fuel system is sufficiently safe if the conditions as set in recommendation 8/2023 by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) are met at all times."
- In ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2024/34, in the Annex, paragraph 2 reads as:
"2. The Administrative Committee decides that the use of this methanol fuel system is sufficiently safe if the conditions as set in recommendation 1/2023 by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) are met at all times."

6. Additional proposal for amendments:

- In addition to the above mentioned proposals, the CCNR Secretariat suggests adding a footnote to each of the above mentioned amendments to paragraph 2 that could read:

"As in CCNR resolution 2023-II-22"

The reference to the footnote shall be integrated after "2023".
