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**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:**

**Other proposals**

 7.2 of ADN – Reserved spaces in the structuring of ADN

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

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| *Related documents*: None |
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 Introduction

1. Germany is of the opinion that 7.1 and 7.2 contain in the structuring of the requirements many unnecessary spaces reserved for non-existent provisions.

 I. Proposal

2. In 7.1, delete the following reserved spaces in full:

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| 7.1.0.2 to7.1.0.99 (Reserved)7.1.1.22 to7.1.1.99 (Reserved)7.1.2.20 to7.1.2.99 (Reserved)7.1.3.71 to7.1.3.99 (Reserved) | 7.1.4.78 to7.1.4.99 (Reserved)7.1.5.9 to7.1.5.99 (Reserved)7.1.6.17 to7.1.6.99 (Reserved)7.1.7.5 to7.1.9.99 (Reserved) |

3. In 7.2, delete the following reserved spaces in full:

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| 7.2.0.2 to7.2.0.99 (Reserved)7.2.1.22 to7.2.1.99 (Reserved)7.2.2.23 to7.2.2.99 (Reserved)7.2.3.52 to7.2.3.99 (Reserved) | 7.2.4.78 to7.2.4.99 (Reserved)7.2.5.8.2 (deleted)7.2.5.8.3 (deleted)7.2.5.8.4 (deleted)7.2.5.9 to7.2.5.99 (Reserved) |

4. The contents are to be amended accordingly.

 II. Justification

5. These reserved spaces are not necessary to fill gaps between successive requirements. They have no other use from a regulatory point of view.

6. In addition, they affect the readability of Part 7 and unnecessarily make the Regulations unwieldy.

 III. Safety

7. This change does not affect safety. It is only a matter of improving the drafting of the requirements. Transport safety will be indirectly enhanced with the improvements in the readability and intelligibility of the requirements.

 IV. Implementation

8. The proposal does not involve any change in shipbuilding or the organization of transport. There are no other provisions in the Regulations annexed to ADN referring to these reserved spaces.

1. \* Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR-CCNR/ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2020/4. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. \*\* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2018–2019 (ECE/TRANS/2018/21/Add.1, (9.3)). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)