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HARMONIZATION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC AGENCY (IAEA) REGULATIONS FOR THE SAFE TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

Minor changes to TS-R-1 approved for the 2005 edition of the IAEA Transport Regulations

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Approved Minor Changes to TS-R-1

This paper summarizes the minor changes that were approved by the 2-6 September 2002 Review Panel meeting in Vienna for the 2005 edition of the IAEA Transport Regulations. The approved changes are presented in a table, in paragraph order. The current text and the new text are presented side by side in order to easily identify what change has been approved. Where the change involves a deletion of text from the current regulations the part to be deleted is marked in **bold** in the current text. Where the approved change involves new or revised text the new or revised part is marked in **bold** in the new text.

The notation "SCH" in the para column means that the change is in the Schedules. The notation "IND" in the para column means that the change is in the index of the regulations.

Minor Changes to TS-R-1, approved for the 2005 edition of the IAEA Transport Regulations Comparison of Existing and Proposed Text

Proposal/ UN para.	Existing Para. Or Sub-Para of TS-R-1 (2003 Edition)	New Para. Or Sub-Para of TS-R-1 (2005 Edition)
UK/02/02 2.7.1.2	107. The Regulations do not apply to: (e) natural material and ores containing naturally-occurring radionuclides which are either in their natural state, or have only been processed for purposes other than for extraction of the radionuclides, and which are not intended to be processed for use of these radionuclides, provided the activity concentration of the material does not exceed 10 times the values - specified in paras 401–406;	107. The Regulations do not apply to: (e) natural material and ores containing naturally-occurring radionuclides which are either in their natural state, or have only been processed for purposes other than for extraction of the radionuclides, and which are not intended to be processed for use of these radionuclides, provided the activity concentration of the material does not exceed 10 times the values - specified in paras 401(b), or calculated in accordance with paras 402–406;
UK/02/03 [The same correction applies in paras. 555, 559, 831, and 832] 5.4.1.5.7.2 5.1.5.2.4 (d) 6.4.23.12 6.4.23.13	108. These Regulations do not specify controls such as routing or physical protection which may be instituted for reasons other than radiological safety. Any such controls shall take into account radiological and non-radiological hazards, and shall not detract from the standards of safety which these Regulations are intended to provide.	108. These Regulations do not specify controls such as routeing or physical protection which may be instituted for reasons other than radiological safety. Any such controls shall take into account radiological and nonradiological hazards, and shall not detract from the standards of safety which these Regulations are intended to provide.
UK/02/07 2.7.2	223. Freight container shall mean an article of transport equipment designed to facilitate the transport of goods, either packaged or unpackaged, by one or more modes of transport without intermediate reloading. It shall be of a permanent enclosed character, rigid and strong enough for repeated use, and must be fitted with devices facilitating its handling, particularly in transfer between conveyances and from one mode of transport to another. A small freight container is that which has either any overall outer dimension less than 1.5 m, or an internal volume of not more than 3 m ³ . Any other freight container is considered to be a large freight container.	223. Freight container shall mean an article of transport equipment designed to facilitate the transport of goods, either packaged or unpackaged, by one or more modes of transport without intermediate reloading which is of a permanent enclosed character, rigid and strong enough for repeated use, and must be fitted with devices facilitating its handling, particularly in transfer between conveyances and from one mode of transport to another. A small freight container is that which has either any overall outer dimension less than 1.5 m, or an internal volume of not more than 3 m ³ . Any other freight container is considered to be a large freight container.

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UK/02/09 2.7.3.2 (a) (ii)	226(a)(ii) Solid unirradiated natural uranium or depleted uranium or natural - thorium or their solid or liquid compounds or mixtures;	226(a)(ii) Natural uranium, depleted uranium, natural thorium or their compounds or mixtures, providing they are unirradiated and in solid or liquid form;
Egypt/02/03 [Also insert lines between the following paras: 305/6, 516/7, 641/2, 669/70, 714/5, 722/3, 734/5, 822/3] Not relevant to the UN Model Regulations	Radioactive material 236. Radioactive material shall mean any material containing radionuclides where both the activity concentration and the total activity in the consignment exceed the values specified in paras 401–406. Shipment 237. Shipment shall mean the specific movement of a consignment from origin to destination.	 Radioactive material 236. Radioactive material shall mean any material containing radionuclides where both the activity concentration and the total activity in the consignment exceed the values specified in paras 401–406. / Shipment 237. Shipment shall mean the specific movement of a consignment from origin to destination.
UK/02/10 2.7.2	240. Specific activity of a radionuclide shall mean the activity per unit mass of that nuclide. The specific activity of a material shall mean the activity per unit mass or volume of the material in which the radionuclides are essentially uniformly distributed.	240. Specific activity of a radionuclide shall mean the activity per unit mass of that nuclide. The specific activity of a material shall mean the activity per unit mass of the material in which the radionuclides are essentially uniformly distributed.
UK/02/12 2.7.2	246. Natural uranium shall mean chemically separated uranium containing the naturally occurring distribution of uranium isotopes (approximately 99.28% uranium-238, and 0.72% uranium-235 by mass). Depleted uranium shall mean uranium containing a lesser mass percentage of uranium-235 than in natural uranium. Enriched uranium shall mean uranium containing a greater mass percentage of uranium-235 than 0.72%. In all cases, a very small mass percentage of uranium-234 is present.	246. Natural uranium shall mean uranium (which may be chemically separated) containing the naturally occurring distribution of uranium isotopes (approximately 99.28% - uranium-238, and 0.72% uranium-235 by mass). Depleted uranium shall mean uranium containing a lesser mass percentage of uranium-235 than in natural uranium. Enriched uranium shall mean uranium containing a greater mass percentage of uranium-235 than 0.72%. In all cases, a very small mass percentage of uranium-234 is present.
France/02/25 [N.B. French Edition only] 1.1.2.2.5	305dose effective	305dose efficace

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Germany/02/04 [In Table I] 2.7.7.2.1	Te-121m 5x10 ⁰ 3x10 ⁰ 1x10 ² 1x10 ⁵	Te-121m 5x10 ⁰ 3x10 ⁰ 1x10 ² 1x 10⁶
UK/02/24 4.1.9.2.2	522. LSA material and SCO which is or contains fissile material shall meet the applicable requirements of paras 568, 569 and 671.	522. For LSA material and SCO which is or contains fissile material the applicable requirements of paras 568, 569 and 671 shall be met.
France/02/20 and Germany/02/03	543	543
	expressed in units of becquerels (Bq) with the appropriate SI prefix (see Annex II). For <i>fissile material</i> , the mass of <i>fissile material</i> in units of grams (g), or multiples thereof, may be used in place of activity.	expressed in units of becquerels (Bq) with the appropriate SI prefix symbol (see Annex II). For <i>fissile material</i> , the mass of <i>fissile material</i> in units of grams (g), or multiples thereof, may be used in place of activity.
Germany/02/03 and France/02/20	543. (a)	543.
[Same correction applies to paras. 549(f) and 559(e)] 5.2.2.1.12.2 5.4.1.5.1 5.1.5.2.4 (d) (v)	(b) Activity: The maximum activity of the <i>radioactive contents</i> during transport expressed in units of becquerels (Bq) with the appropriate SI prefix (see Annex II). For <i>fissile material</i> , the mass of <i>fissile material</i> in units of grams (g), or multiples thereof, may be used in place of activity.	(b) Activity: The maximum activity of the radioactive contents during transport expressed in units of becquerels (Bq) with the appropriate SI prefix symbol (see Annex II). For fissile material, the mass of fissile material in units of grams (g), or multiples thereof, may be used in place of activity.
	ANNEX II	ANNEX II
	SI PREFIXES	SI PREFIXES AND SYMBOLS The decimal multiples and submultiples of a unit may be formed by prefixes or symbols, having the following meanings, placed before the name or symbol of the unit.

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UK/02/27 5.3.1.1.5.1	546. Large freight containers carrying packages other than excepted packages, and tanks shall bear four placards which conform with the model given in Fig. 6. The placards shall be affixed in a vertical orientation to each side wall and each end wall of the large freight container or tank. Any placards which do not relate to the contents shall be removed. Instead of using both labels and placards, it is permitted as an alternative to use enlarged labels only, as shown in Fig. 2, Fig. 3, Fig. 4 and Fig. 5 where appropriate, with dimensions of the minimum size shown in Fig. 6.	546. Large freight containers carrying packages other than excepted packages, and tanks shall bear four placards which conform to the model given in Fig. 6. The placards shall be affixed in a vertical orientation to each side wall and each end wall of the large freight container or tank. Any placards which do not relate to the contents shall be removed. Instead of using both labels and placards, it is permitted as an alternative to use enlarged labels only, as shown in Fig. 2, Fig. 3, Fig. 4 and Fig. 5 where appropriate, with dimensions of the minimum size shown in Fig. 6.
Egypt/02/08	632. Subject to the approval of the <i>competent authority</i> , <i>packages</i> designed to - contain 0.1 kg or more of uranium hexafluoride may be transported if:	632. Subject to the approval of the <i>competent authority</i> , <i>packages</i> designed to - contain 0.1 kg or more of uranium hexafluoride may be transported if:
0.4.0.4	(a) the <i>packages</i> are designed to international or national standards other than ISO 7195 provided an equivalent level of safety is maintained;	(a) the <i>packages</i> are designed to international or national standards other than ISO 7195 [10] provided an equivalent level of safety is maintained;
UK/02/32 6.4.7.16	648. A <i>Type A package</i> designed to contain liquids shall, in addition: (a)	648. A <i>Type A package</i> designed to contain liquid radioactive material shall, in addition: (a)
UK/02/34	672. (a)	672. (a)
6.4.11.2	(i)	(i) (ii) (iii) there are not more than 5 g of <i>fissile</i> material in any 10 litre volume of material.
UK/02/46	825	825
6.4.23.3	(a) A statement of the respects in which, and of the reasons why, the consignment cannot be made in full accordance with the applicable requirements; and	(a) A statement of the respects in which, and of the reasons why, the <i>shipment</i> cannot be made in full accordance with the applicable requirements; and
	(b)	(b)

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UK/02/01 [In Schedules]	COMMON PROVISIONS FOR SCHEDULES 5-14	COMMON PROVISIONS FOR SCHEDULES 5-14
Not relevant for the UN Model Regulations	B.3. MAXIMUM RADIATION LEVELS (a) Radiation level limits for packages or overpacks are: (i) 0.1 mSv/h at 1 m from the external surfaces of the package or overpack, except when transported under exclusive use, and (ii) 2 mSv/h on any external surface of the package or overpack, except when transported under exclusive use by rail or by road, or under exclusive use and special arrangement by vessel or by air, and	B.3. MAXIMUM RADIATION LEVELS (a) Radiation level for packages or overpacks shall be limited such that: (i) Except for consignments under exclusive use, the transport index of any package or overpack shall not exceed 10, and (ii) Except for packages or overpacks transported under exclusive use by rail or by road, or under exclusive use and special arrangement by vessel or by air, the maximum radiation level at any point on any external surface of a package or overpack shall not exceed 2 mSv/h, and
	(iii) 10 mSv/h on any external surface of a <i>package</i> transported under <i>exclusive</i> use.	(iii) The maximum radiation level at any point on any external surface of a package or overpack under exclusive use shall not exceed 10 mSv/h.
Egypt/02/02 and UK/02/11	[In the Index] Criticality Safety Index: 218,528-530, 544, 545, 549, 566-569, 820, 831, 833, 835	[In the Index] Criticality Safety Index: 218,528-530, 544, 545, 549, 566-569, 820, 831, 833
UK/02/11 and Egypt/02/02	[In the Index] Criticality Safety Index: 218,528-530, 544, 545, 549, 566-569, 820, 831, 833, 835	[In the Index] Criticality Safety Index: 218,528-530, 544, 545, 549, 566-569, 820, 831, 833 [And also check Index to ensure fully up-to-date.]