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**COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF  
DANGEROUS GOODS AND ON THE GLOBALLY  
HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION  
AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS**

Sub-Committee of Experts on the  
Transport of Dangerous Goods

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**PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS  
ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS**

Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

General Provisions

1.1.5: Exceptions for dangerous goods packed in limited quantities

Transmitted by the Universal Postal Union (UPU)

**SUMMARY**

**Executive Summary:** The current regulation for the acceptance of infectious substances for transport by mail does not specify the appropriate UN Categories permissible for carriage under the Acts of the Universal Postal Union (UPU).

The Acts of the UPU only permit the carriage of limited quantities of Category B Infectious Substances (UN 3373) in the international mail stream. The requested change below will conform to the Acts of the UPU by restricting the carriage of Category A Infectious Substances (UN2814 and UN2900) in the international mail stream.

Additionally, the Acts of the Universal Postal Union only apply to the international carriage of items by post. For domestic movement, the regulations set forth by the respective national postal authority or the competent authority apply.

Note: This proposal is subject to confirmation by the next Plenary session of the UPU Council of Administration on 19 October 2006.

**Action to be taken:** Change the text to annotate this restriction.

**Related documents:** None.

**1.1.1.5**        *Exceptions for dangerous goods packed in limited quantities*

Certain dangerous goods packed in limited quantities are exempted from certain requirements of these regulations subject to the conditions laid down in Chapter 3.4.

1.1.1.6        In accordance with the Universal Postal Union Convention, dangerous goods as defined in these Regulations, with the exception of those listed below, are not permitted in ~~the~~ mail transported internationally. National postal authorities or the competent authority should ensure that provisions are complied with in relation to the international transport of dangerous goods. The following dangerous goods may be acceptable in international mail subject to the provisions of the national postal authorities, or under the approval the respective competent authority:

- (a) Infectious substances assigned to Category B (UN3373) only, and solid carbon dioxide (dry ice) when used as a refrigerant for ~~infectious substances~~ UN3373; and
- (b) Radioactive material in an excepted package conforming to the requirements of 2.7.9.1, the activity of which does not exceed one tenth of that listed in Table 2.7.7.1.2.1.

For international movement by post additional requirements for quantity restrictions, packaging and labelling as prescribed by the Acts of the Universal Postal Union apply.

The Acts of the Universal Postal Union do not apply to the domestic transport of dangerous goods. Domestic transport of dangerous goods in the mail are subject to the provisions of the national postal authority.

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