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Miscellaneous proposals for amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods portable tanks

Holding time — Information in transport document

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Introduction

1. In informal document UN/SCETDG/52/INF.9 Belgium brought forward a proposal to the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on request by the Joint Meeting. The proposal concerned adding a paragraph in the Model Regulations requiring the holding time during the transport of refrigerated liquefied gasses in portable tanks to be mentioned in the transport document.
2. The Sub-Committee did agree with the principle of mentioning the holding time in the transport document as is currently required in the RID/ADR for tank-containers, tank-vehicles and tank wagons
3. Nevertheless, there were a couple of remarks on how this requirement should be mentioned in the UN Model Regulations and an alternative proposal was brought forward during the discussion that aligned more with the requirement for putting the holding time in the transport document as written down in the RID/ADR.

Proposal

4. Add a new paragraph in 4.2.3.7 mentioning that the holding time shall be mentioned in the transport document and referring the user to chapter 5:

4.2.3.7.3 The date at which the actual holding time ends shall be entered in the transport document (see 5.4.1.5.13).
5. Add a new paragraph in section 5.4.1.5 on information required in addition to the dangerous goods description stating how the actual holding time should be mentioned in the transport document.

5.4.1.5.13 Actual holding time

In the case of portable tanks carrying refrigerated liquified gases the consigner shall enter in the transport document the date at which the actual holding time ends, in the following format:

“END OF HOLDING TIME: (DD/MM/YY)
