

Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

List of documents under agenda item

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1. Adoption of the agenda

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Background documents (Secretariat)

ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.6	Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), sixth revised edition
ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.19	Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations, nineteenth revised edition
ST/SG/AC.10/11/Rev.6	Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria, sixth revised edition
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/58	Report of the Sub-Committee on its twenty-ninth session
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ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2016/CRP.3 and –/Adds.1 to 12 and CRP.4 and –/Adds.1 to 5	Draft report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its fiftieth session

2. Classification criteria and related hazard communication

(a) Recommendations made by the Sub-Committee on its twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first sessions

Review of draft amendments adopted by the Sub-Committee at its twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first sessions

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/11 (Secretariat) Consolidated list of amendments adopted by the Sub-Committee at its twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first sessions

Definition of explosives in Chapter 2.1, paragraph 2.1.1.2 (c)

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/14 (AEISG) Chapter 2.1 of the Model Regulations – Class 1 definition Chapter 2.1 of the GHS – Class of explosives

Informal document INF.36, item 1 (Secretariat) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

(b) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG Sub-Committee) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

Classification criteria and hazard communication for flammable gases

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/12 (Belgium, Japan) Proposal for modification of the classification criteria and hazard communication for flammable gases

Informal document INF.9 (Belgium, Japan) Flammable gases: “track-changes” version of the proposal in document -/C.4/2016/12

Informal document INF.11 (Secretariat) Comments on document -/C.4/2016/12

Informal document INF.18 (Belgium, Japan) Options in response to comments on Table A1.2 and its related notes in document -/C.4/2016/12

Informal document INF.20 (EIGA) Proposed correction to document -/C.4/2016/12

Informal document INF.36, item 2 (Secretariat) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

Classification of flammable liquids

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/13 (Germany) Corrections to the classification of flammable liquids

Informal document INF.36, item 3 (Secretariat) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

Test and criteria for oxidizing liquids and oxidizing solids

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/15 (France)	Test and criteria for oxidizing liquids (Test O.2) and oxidizing solids (Test O.3) - Final results from the Round Robin Testing programme and proposals for amendments to tests descriptions
Informal document INF.36, item 4 (Secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

Use of the Manual of Tests and Criteria in the context of GHS

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/16 (Chairman of the Working Group on Explosives)	Use of the Manual of Tests and Criteria in the context of GHS
Informal document INF.5 and Add. 1- 5	
Informal document INF.10 (Germany)	Comments on INF.5
Informal document INF.14 (USA, Canada)	Comments on -/C.4/2016/16
Informal document INF.21 (Secretariat)	Proposed corrections to the 6th revised edition of the Manual of Tests and Criteria
Informal document INF.36, item 5 (Secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

Revision of Chapter 2.1 of the GHS

Informal document INF.8 (Sweden)	Status report on the work of the informal correspondence group on the revision of GHS Chapter 2.1
Informal document INF.15 (United States of America)	Comments on INF.8
Informal document INF.36, item 6 (Secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

*Other matters of interest**Revision of Chapter 2.8 of the United Nations Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods*

Informal document INF.36, item 7 (Secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee
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Test method for readily combustible solids (Test N.1)

Informal document INF.36, item 8 (Secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its 50th session on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee
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(c) Dust explosion hazards

Informal document INF.23 (United States of America) Dust explosion hazards: Status report, December 2016 meeting agenda, and proposed continuance of work

(d) Practical classification issues

The expert from the United States of America may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of work of the informal correspondence group on practical classification issues since the last session. For reference, see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-first session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/62, paragraphs 16–19).

(e) Aspiration hazard: viscosity criterion for classification of mixtures

A proposal to broaden the scope of the work on this issue has been submitted under agenda item 7 (see information document INF.33).

(f) Nanomaterials

Informal document INF.27 (France) Review of the applicability of GHS to nanomaterials

(g) Miscellaneous*Revision of GHS Chapter 2.1*

Informal document INF.8 (Sweden) Status report on the work of the informal correspondence group on the revision of GHS Chapter 2.1

Informal document INF.15 (United States of America) Comments on INF.8

Chemicals under pressure

Informal document INF.26 (CEFIC, EIGA) Proposal for a new chapter for chemicals under pressure

Informal document INF.28 (FEA) Comments on the proposal for a new chapter for chemicals under pressure in INF.26

Use of non-animal testing methods for the classification of health hazards.

The experts from the Netherlands and the United Kingdom may wish to update the Sub-Committee on the progress of the work of the informal correspondence group on non-animal testing since the last session. For reference, see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-first session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/62, paragraph 26).

3. Hazard communication issues**(a) Labelling of small packagings***Example for fold-out labels*

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/19 (CEFIC) Labelling of small packagings

Development of examples for sets or kits

Informal document INF.19 (CEFIC) Labelling of sets or kits

(b) Improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further rationalization of precautionary statements*Work of the informal correspondence group*

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/17 (United Kingdom) Proposed changes to sections 2 and 3 of Annex 3 of the GHS

Informal document INF.3 and adds.1, 2 Proposed changes to sections 2 and 3 of Annex 3 of the GHS in document ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/17

Informal document INF.12 (United Kingdom) Proposed work plan for the correspondence group on the improvement of annexes 1-3 of the GHS

Precautionary statements addressing medical advice/attention

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/20 (European Union) Precautionary statements on medical advice/attention: correction of linguistic discrepancies

Informal document INF.13 (United Kingdom) Medical advice and attention

(c) Miscellaneous*Amendments to Annex 4, sub-section A4.3.17.7*

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/21 (ICMM) Amendments to Annex 4 (sub-section A4.3.17.7) of the GHS on guidance on the preparation of safety data sheets

Amendments to Annex 4, sub-section A4.3.3.2.3

Informal document INF.17 (CEFIC) Amendments to sub-section A4.3.3.2.3

Examples of precautionary pictograms in Annex 3, section 5

Informal document INF.6 (RPMASA) Proposal to correct Annex 3, section 5 regarding precautionary statements

Presentation of the information in the Safety Data Sheets

Informal document INF.32 (RPMASA) Request to clarify if numbering and/or not numbering of SDS subheadings is acceptable to all countries regulations

4. Implementation of the GHS

(a) Development of a list of chemicals classified in accordance with the GHS

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2016/18 (OECD)	Highlights of the report on the pilot project on assessing the potential development of a global list of classified chemicals
Informal documents INF.4 and adds. 1-3	
Informal document INF. 25 (United States of America)	Assessing the potential development of a global list of classified chemicals

(b) Reports on the status of implementation

Informal document INF.30 (Canada)	Canadian technical guidance on the requirements of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) – WHMIS 2015 supplier requirements
Informal document INF.31 (Russian Federation)	Russian technical regulation “On the safety of chemical products”

(c) Cooperation with other bodies or international organizations

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

(d) Miscellaneous

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

5. Development of guidance on the application of GHS criteria

Informal document INF. 24 (Secretariat)	Guidance on the applicability of the GHS to classification and labelling of pesticides
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6. Capacity building

Informal document INF.29 (UNITAR)	Activities of the UNITAR/ILO Global GHS Capacity Building Programme and UNITAR/ILO/OECD WSSD GHS partnership
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7. Programme of work for the biennium 2017–2018

The Sub-Committee will consider proposals for its programme of work for the period 2017-2018. For reference, see the programme of work for the period 2015-2016 (see report of the Sub-Committee on its twenty-eighth session ST/SG/AC.10C.4/56, annex III).

Informal document INF.22 (Germany)	Stability tests for industrial nitrocellulose
Informal document INF.33 (IPPIC)	Proposed work programme for the 2017-2018 biennium in relation to aspiration hazard

8. Draft Resolution 2017/... of the Economic and Social Council

Informal document INF.16 (Secretariat) Draft resolution 2017/... of the ECOSOC

9. Election of officers for the biennium 2017–2018

In accordance with the established practice, the Sub-Committee will be invited to elect officers for the biennium 2017–2018 among the representatives of its member countries.

10. Other business

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

11. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, the Sub-Committee may wish to adopt the report on its thirty-second session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.
