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Proposals of amendments to ATP: new proposals

Certificate of Conformity for new equipment to be transferred to the country of establishment operator

Transmitted by the Government of the Netherlands

Introduction

1. Paragraph 3 (b) of Annex 1, Appendix 1 stipulates that in order to issue a certificate of compliance for new equipment in the country to which the equipment is being transferred, the competent authority of the country of manufacture first has to issue a certificate of compliance. The Netherlands is of the opinion that issuing two certificates, one in the country of manufacture and another in the country of establishment of the operator, increases cost without additional value.
2. It is proposed that the certificate of compliance by the competent authority of the country of manufacture shall be replaced by a certificate of conformity (with the type approval certificate) by the manufacturer. This is already practice for road vehicles, based on a Certificate of Conformity the initial registration document is issued by the country of use. To allow for immediate use, from the gates of the factory, it should remain possible that a preliminary certificate of compliance to be issued. At the request of the operator this may be issued by the country of manufacture or country in which the equipment is registered or recorded.

Proposal 1:

Amend article 3, (b) of Annex 1, Appendix 1 to read:

“(b) In all cases, for new equipment a certificate of conformity issued by the manufacturer or, for equipment in service the certificate of compliance issued by the country in which the equipment was registered or recorded.

NOTE: For new equipment and at the request of the operator a preliminary certificate of compliance may be issued by the competent authority in the country of manufacture or in which the operator is established.”.

Proposal 2:

Add a new section “C” to Annex 1 Appendix 3 to read:

C. Model form of a certificate of conformity as referenced in Annex 1, Appendix 1, paragraph 3 (b).

(For the proposed “Certificate of conformity” see annex to this document).

Justification:

3. The additional value of first issuing a certificate of compliance by the competent authority in the country of manufacture and later a final certificate in the country of use is limited and it does not weigh up to the costs. The manufacturer shall keep the production records of equipment for which a certificate of conformity is issued to be controlled by the competent authority under which responsibility the type approval was granted.

4. Many insulated trucks are delivered to the operators without a mechanically refrigerated unit in place, the unit is placed on the insulated body locally. This will call for certificates with different classifications taking the absence of the unit into account and again checking by the competent authority and more costs for the operator.

5. In some EU countries vehicles may only be 2.60 meters wide if they have an ATP certificate of compliance. Although the 2.60 m. vehicle width originated on ATP vehicles this is not in particular mentioned in the EU directive on masses and dimensions. To prevent discussion on the vehicle width on the journey from the manufacturer to the operator a clause has been added to the certificate of conformity that states that it shall be equal to a certificate of compliance in this respect

Cost: Costs will be reduced due to having only once cost for a certificate

Feasibility: This procedure is already applied in other regulations with positive effects.

A transitional period is not necessary

Environmental impact: No environmental impact is expected.

Enforceability: No problems expected.

Annex

Certificate of Conformity

Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such carriage (ATP).

This certificate may be used for the issue of an initial ATP certificate in the country in which the equipment is to be registered or recorded and for which no ATP certificate is issued in the country of manufacture.

For the transfer of new equipment from the country of manufacture to the country in which the equipment is to be registered or recorded, not carrying perishable foodstuffs, this certificate shall be regarded as an ATP certificate.

Equipment:

Type: (van, truck, trailer, semi-trailer, container, railway wagon)¹

Vehicle identification number: ²

Registration number: ²

Insulated body:

Make/brand:

Type:

ATP test report number:

Valid until:

Test report issued by:

serial number:

position of manufactures plate:

K value:

External dimensions : (length-width-height in mm.)

Internal dimensions: (length-width-height in mm.)

<i>Panel composition and dimensions</i>					
	<i>External material and thickness</i>	<i>Insulation type and thickness</i>	<i>Internal material and thickness</i>	<i>Total wall thickness</i>	<i>Thickness type approval</i>
Roof					
Floor					
Side					
Front					
Rear					

Number of doors: (.. front/ ..side/ .. rear),

Number of vents: (front / rear),

Other openings:

Special equipment: (Reinforcements for hanging meat, load secure rails, etc.)

Any reductions of the insulation thickness outside of type approval:

Thermal appliance: (if any)²

Type of appliance: (eutectic plates, liquefied gas, natural ice/dry ice/mechanically refrigerated/heated)¹

Make/brand:

Type:

Serial number:

Year of manufacture:

ATP test report number:

The manufacturer of the insulated body declares that the equipment complies with the description above, is in conformity with the approved type and in compliance with the regulations in the ATP.

Name and address of the manufacturer:

Date:

Name and function representative manufacturer:

Signature:

¹ *Delete or strike out as appropriate*

² *If not applicable state "n.a."*
