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**Proposals for amendments to annexes A and B of ADR:
miscellaneous proposals**

Layout of the ADR training certificate in accordance with 8.2.2.8.3 in conjunction with 8.2.2.8.5 of ADR – admissibility of additional information on the back

Transmitted by the Government of Germany*

Summary

- Executive summary:** Two different options are suggested in the proposal: either indicating additional information on the back of ADR Card should be admissible or 8.2.2.8.3 in conjunction with 8.2.2.8.5 of ADR should be amended. In addition, a transitional measure should be introduced for ADR training certificates that do not comply with the new requirements in paragraph 8.2.2.8.5.
- Action to be taken:** Admit indication of additional information on the back of the ADR Card or amend 8.2.2.8.5 of ADR as well as introduce a new transitional measure.
- Background documents:** Informal document INF.5 of 104th session of the WP.15 (submitted by the Government of Germany) and ECE/TRANS/WP.15/242, paragraph 53.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2018-2019, (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/237, annex V, (9.1)).

Introduction

1. At the 104th session of the Working Party in May 2018, Germany raised a question (see informal document INF.5 from the 104th session) concerning the copying of the certificate number onto the back of the driver training certificate, in accordance with paragraph 8.2.2.8.5.

2. The outcome from the meeting was the following (extract from the report):

53. *Most of the delegations that spoke said that the addition of the certificate number on the back of the driver training certificate could be useful, but that it could not be considered as an additional security feature under 8.2.2.3. They also indicated that if an official proposal was presented at a forthcoming session, it should take into consideration the addition of transitional periods. The representative of Germany informed the Working Party that she would submit an official document at the next session and would take into account the comments received.*

Discussion

3. The addition of the certificate number to the back is considered useful by WP.15. The majority of the delegations that have spoken on the issue, however, do not consider the number to be an additional security feature.

4. It is to be noted that the ADR Cards of various countries already include information on the back in addition to the particulars contained in the model, such as an authority's address, a telephone number or website (see http://www.unece.org/trans/danger/publi/adr/adr_certificates.html).

5. Germany would like to ask WP.15 that it is admissible to indicate the certificate number on the back of the ADR driver training certificate or other useful information on the back in addition to the particulars contained in the model, such as an authority's address, a telephone number or website even if it is not necessarily an additional security feature, but that this is not an obligation.

6. Even if indicating the certificate number is not an additional security feature, it should be admissible to indicate the number on the back (see option 1).

7. If WP.15 does not agree with this, it is proposed that paragraph 8.2.2.8.5 of ADR 2021 be amended to make this possible (see option 2a).

8. The proposed transitional measure is taken into account. Therefore, it is proposed that the layout be changed with the entry into force of ADR 2021 and an additional transitional provision be inserted (see option 2b).

Proposal

Option 1

9. Germany would like to ask the working group to confirm that it is admissible, but not an obligation, to indicate the certificate number or other useful information on the back of the ADR driver training certificate in addition to the particulars contained in the model, such as an authority's address, a telephone number or website.

Option 2a

10. In paragraph 8.2.2.8.5, add a new number “11” to the certificate to read as follows: “(Number of the certificate on the back of the ADR training certificate)*” and add the existing footnote “*”.

Option 2b

11. Add the following new transitional measure in chapter 1.6 of ADR:

“1.6.x.x Driver training certificates issued before 1 January 2022 that do not conform to the requirements of 8.2.2.8.5 applicable from 1 January 2021 regarding the number of the certificate on the back of the ADR training certificate may continue to be used until 30 June 2023.”

Feasibility

12. No problems are foreseen.
