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Cross-sectional shapes of shells in accordance with ADR 6.8.2.1.18

Transmitted by the Government of Germany*

Summary

Executive summary: The ADR must be the basis for the modification in the standards

and not vice versa. This has been already discussed before in the

Joint Meeting.

Actions to be taken: Delete the square brackets around the additional text to footnote

3 in 6.8.2.1.18-

Background documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/242, see para 12

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/148, -/Add.1 and -/Add.2

(Secretariat)

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/150, Annex IV, as amended

^{*} 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 its session in November 2018, the Working Party decided to put a modification in chapter 6.8 of ADR in square brackets again. This concerns the proposed footnote to 6.8.2.1.18:

["6.8.2.1.18 Add the following sentence at the end of footnote 3:

However the cross section of shells according to 6.8.2.1.14 (a) may contain recesses or protrusions such as sumps, cut-outs or recessed manhole constructions. They may be constructed of flat or shaped (concave or convex) sheet metal. Dents and other unintended deformations shall not be regarded as recesses or protrusions."]

(Reference document: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/150, Annex IV, as amended)

- 2. At its 104th session in May 2018, the Working Party already decided the following (as set out in the report of that session):
- "V. Work of the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting (agenda item 4)
- Pending issue

Documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/148, -/Add.1 and -/Add.2 (Secretariat)

The delegate of France informed the Working Party that the pending issue concerning the text of 6.8.2.1.18 had been discussed at the March 2018 session of the Joint Meeting (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/150/Add.1). The Joint Meeting confirmed the amendment of 6.8.2.1.18 for entry into force on 1 January 2021."

- 3. At its session in November 2018, the Working Party decided to put the new text in 6.8.2.1.18 in square brackets again, because EN 13094 is under revision and has not yet been published.
- 4. The approach demanded by France to first modify standard EN 13094 before changing the ADR is the wrong way around; the ADR must be the basis for the modification in the standards and not vice versa. This has been discussed before in the Joint Meeting and the discussion led to the decision to delete the square brackets for the footnote to 6.8.2.1.18.
- 5. Therefore, we would like to request that the square brackets be deleted and the amendment be put into force for ADR 2021, as decided before.

Proposal

6. Delete the square brackets around the sentences to be added to footnote 3 (ADR) in 6.8.2.1.18

[6.8.2.1.18 Add the following sentence at the end of footnote 3:

"However the cross section of shells according to 6.8.2.1.14 (a) may contain recesses or protrusions such as sumps, cut-outs or recessed manhole constructions. They may be constructed of flat or shaped (concave or convex) sheet metal. Dents and other unintended deformations shall not be regarded as recesses or protrusions."]

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