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Used health care products – text adopted by the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting (excerpt of ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/120, Annex II)

Note by the secretariat

2.2.62.1.5 Add the following new paragraph:

"2.2.62.1.5.7 Uncleaned medical devices (such as surgical instruments) which are carried for purposes of disinfection, cleaning or sterilization before their subsequent reuse are not subject to the provisions of RID/ADR/ADN if packed in rigid, puncture-resistant packagings of metal or plastic, which shall be designed to meet the construction requirements listed in 6.1.4.

The packagings shall bear the inscription "uncleaned medical devices". When using overpacks, these shall be marked in the same way, except when the inscription remains visible.

These packagings shall meet the general packing requirements of 4.1.1.1 and 4.1.1.2 and be capable of retaining the medical devices when dropped from a height of 1.20 m.

This exemption shall not apply to uncleaned medical devices containing infectious substances in Category A. These devices shall be assigned to UN No. 2814 or 2900.

NOTE: This provision shall not apply to medical devices contaminated or filled with other dangerous goods that meet the definition of another class.".

