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Proposals for amendments to the final draft of the CTU Code:

General comments and proposals for a revised structure

Structure of the CTU Code and annexes

Transmitted by International Group of P&I Associations

1. International Group of P&I Associations thinks that the structure of the CTU Code should be the following:

Code - enforceable

Annex – supports code

Appendix - information

Current - Proposed - Proposed title

Chapter 1 - Chapter 1 - Introduction

Chapter 2 - Chapter 2 - Definitions

Chapter 3 - Chapter 3 - Key requirements

Chapter 4 - Chapter 4 - Chain of responsibility

Chapter 5 – Annex 1 – General Transport Conditions

Chapter 6 – appendix 1 – CTU types and properties

Chapter 7 – appendix 2 - Suitability

Chapter 8 – Annex 2 – Arrival checking and positioning of CTU

Chapter 9 - Annex 3 - Packing cargo into CTU

Chapter 10 - Annex 4 - Dangerous cargo legislation

Chapter 11 – Annex 5 – On completing of packing

Chapter 12 - Annex 6 - Unpacking of CTU

Chapter 13 – Annex 7 – Training requirements for cargo packing and unpacking a CTU

Annex 1 - appendix 3 – Consequences

Annex 2 - appendix 4 – Information and document flow

Annex 3 - appendix 5 – safe transport of containers at sea

Annex 4 - appendix 6 – Quick lashing guide

- Annex 5 appendix 7 Avoiding Condensation Damage
- Annex 6 removed with CTU properties
- Annex 7 appendix 8 Intermodal road/rail/sea load distributions
- Annex 8 appendix 9 Container approval plates
- Annex 9 appendix 10 Transport of perishable cargo
- Annex 12 appendix 11 Receiving CTUs
- Annex 11 appendix 12 CTU condition checks
- Annex 13 appendix 13 Minimising risk of recontamination
- Annex 14- appendix 14 Packing and securing cargo into a CTU
- Annex 15 appendix 15 Manual handling
- Annex 16 appendix 16 Access to tank and bulk container tops. Working at height,
- Annex 17 appendix 17 CTU seals
- Annex 18 appendix 18 Fumigation
- Annex 19 appendix 19 Testing CTU for hazardous gases
- Annex 20 removed In Annex 7 Training requirements
- Annex 21 appendix 20 Acronyms
- 2. As much of the data is out of date or very soon dates unless there is a methodology in place to keep the appendices up to date we would recommend deleting Annex 6, 7, 9 and 17
- 3. Sections of IMDG Code should not be repeated. Simply referenced only.
- 4. Once structure is resolved then document will need complete re-referencing.
- 5. Current annex 20 should be included in new annex 13. Therefore only one annex on training and subjects to be included.