

Packagings
Liquid-tight closure test

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China proposes a new design type test for the packagings of certain solids which require a "damp-proof" transportation.

Not neglecting the importance of safe transport requirements for those solids being in mind, the notion of "damp-proof" is not defined in the UN Model Regulations.

On the other hand it is up to the shipper to choose the adequate packaging for the individual product. The easiest way to choose an adequate packaging would be to take a packaging which has successfully passed a leakproofness test. It is in no way reasonable to create a new design type test, which again requires a new definition, if adequate (leakproof) packagings can be supplied.

If China supplied a list of the substances in mind the requirement of a leakproofness test could be mentioned in the referring packing instructions.
