

Sub-Committee of Experts on the
Globally Harmonized System of Classification
and Labelling of Chemicals
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EDITORIAL COMMENTS on the GHS

Part2 PHYSICAL HAZARDS (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/16/Add.2) and ANNEX 1 Allocation of Label Elements (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/16/Add.4)-

Transmitted by the expert from Canada

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/16/Add.2 - Part2 PHYSICAL HAZARDS

1. Decision charts were reproduced from the *UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria*. Specifically, these appear as **Figures 2.1.2** and **2.1.3** in **CHAPTER 2.1**, *Decision logic 2.8* in **CHAPTER 2.8**, and *Decision logic 2.15* in **CHAPTER 2.15**.
2. When these figures were redrawn, all decision arrows were made to intersect whereas some arrows in the *Manual of Tests and Criteria* were intended to 'cross over' rather than intersect. An example of this can be seen in ANNEX 1, **Figure 10.2**, where the "NO" arrow from BOX 11 'crosses over' the "Decision" from BOX 14.
3. ANNEX 1 contains **Figures 10.2** and **10.3** (corresponding to **Figures 2.1.2** and **2.1.3**) from the *Manual of Tests and Criteria*. ANNEXES 2 and 3 contain equivalent figures from the *UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, 12th Revised Edition* (corresponding to *Decision logics 2.8* and *2.15*).

Given that these figures are no longer separate entities in the *Manual of Tests and Criteria*, Canada proposed the following.

Proposal

1. Modify **Figures 2.1.2** and **2.1.3**, *Decision logic 2.8* and *Decision logic 2.15* to show the 'cross overs' as indicated in ANNEXES 1-3 figures to this paper.

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/16/Add.4 - ANNEX 1 Allocation of Label Elements

1. On pages 13-15 of the above Document in the tables for **ACUTE TOXICITY: ORAL**, **ACUTE TOXICITY: SKIN** and **ACUTE TOXICITY: INHALATION** a 'Note' has been added under Categories 4 and 5 stating:

“For gases and aerosols under the UN modal Regulations, replace the 6 in the bottom corner of the pictogram by 2.”

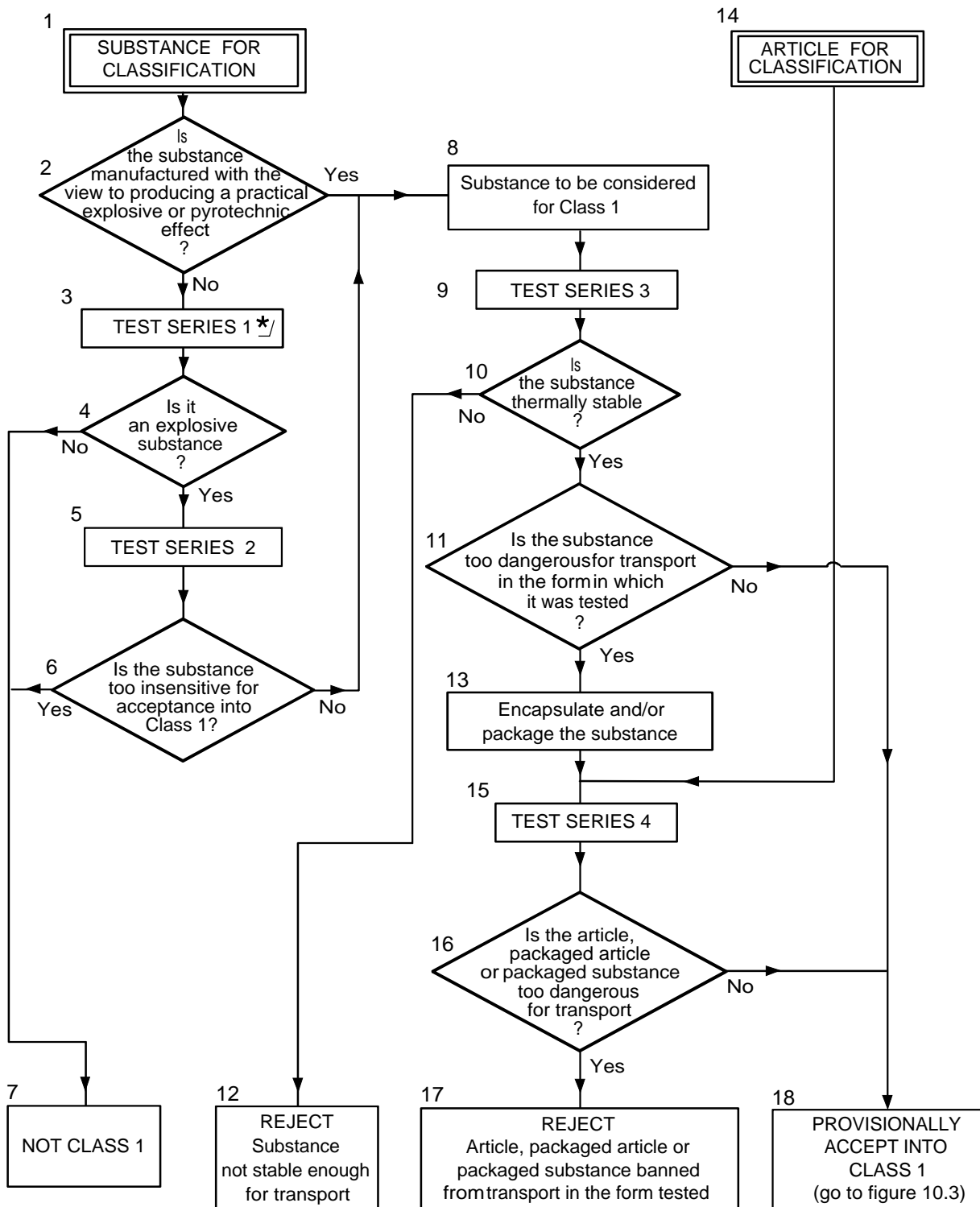
2. Although this statement is correct for 'gases', it is not representative of 'aerosols'. Aerosols are labelled according to the hazards of their components.

Proposal

1. Remove the words **“and aerosols”** from the note in all three tables.
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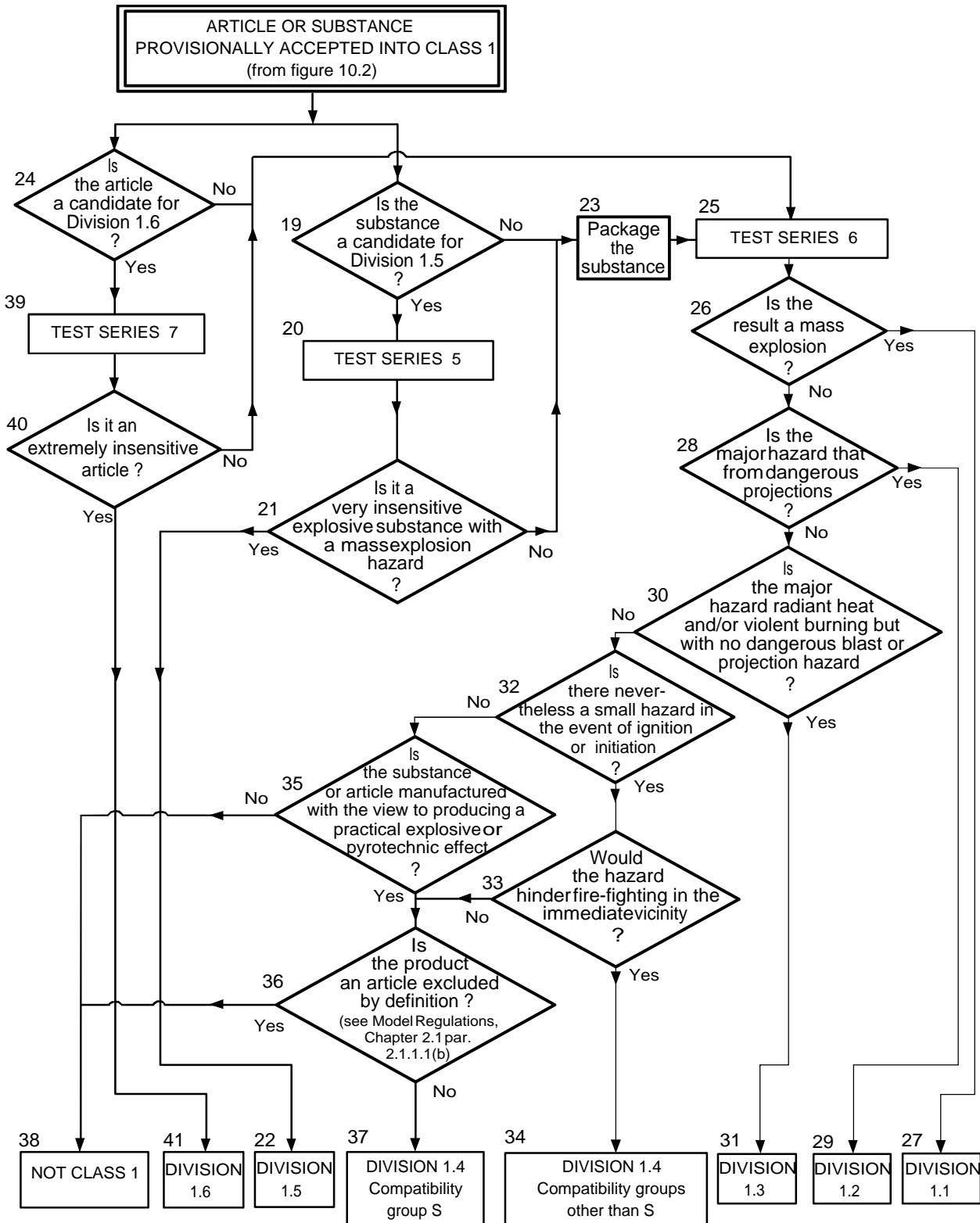
ANNEX 1

Figures 10.2 and 10.3 (*UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria*)



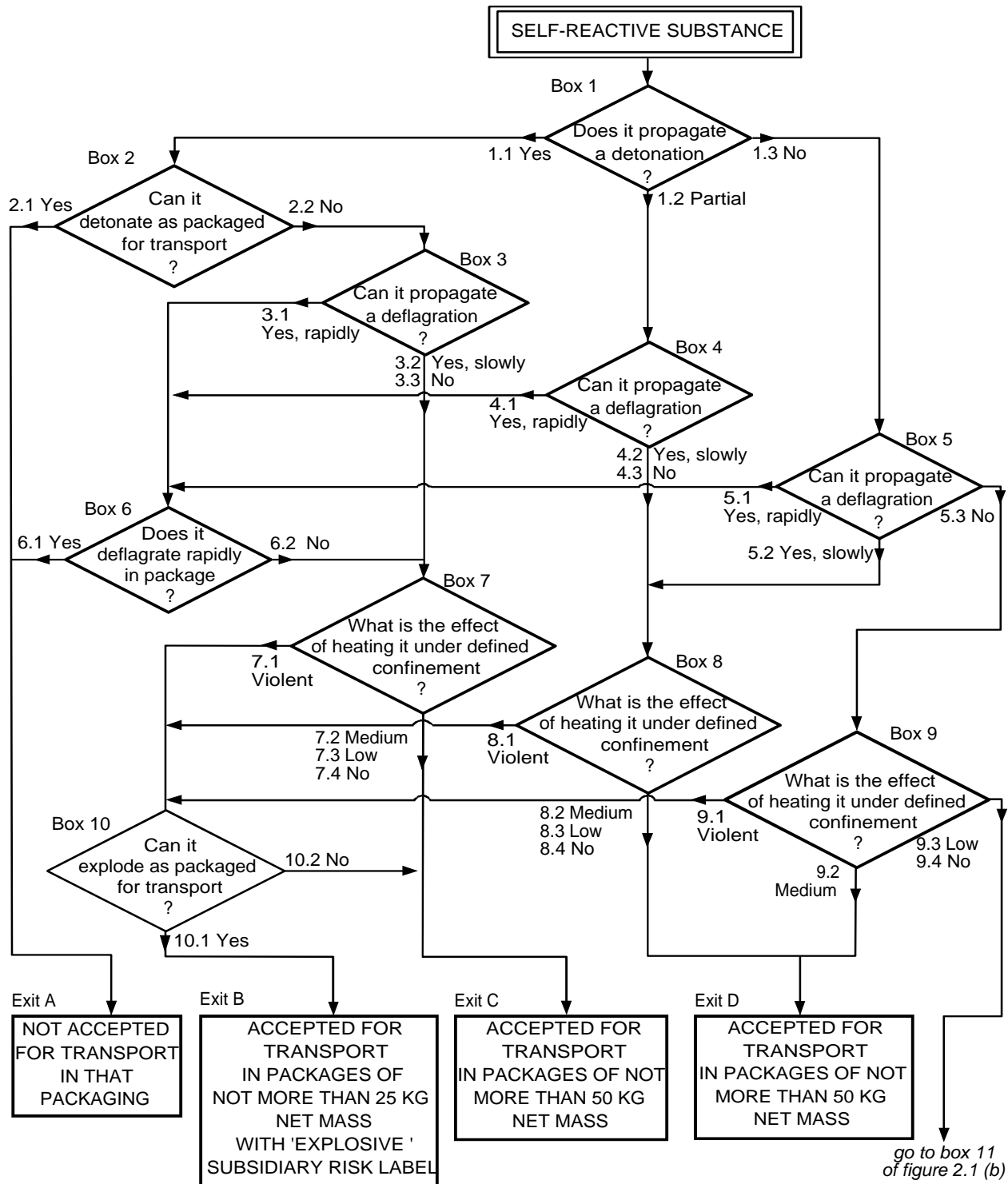
* / For classification purposes, start with test series 2.

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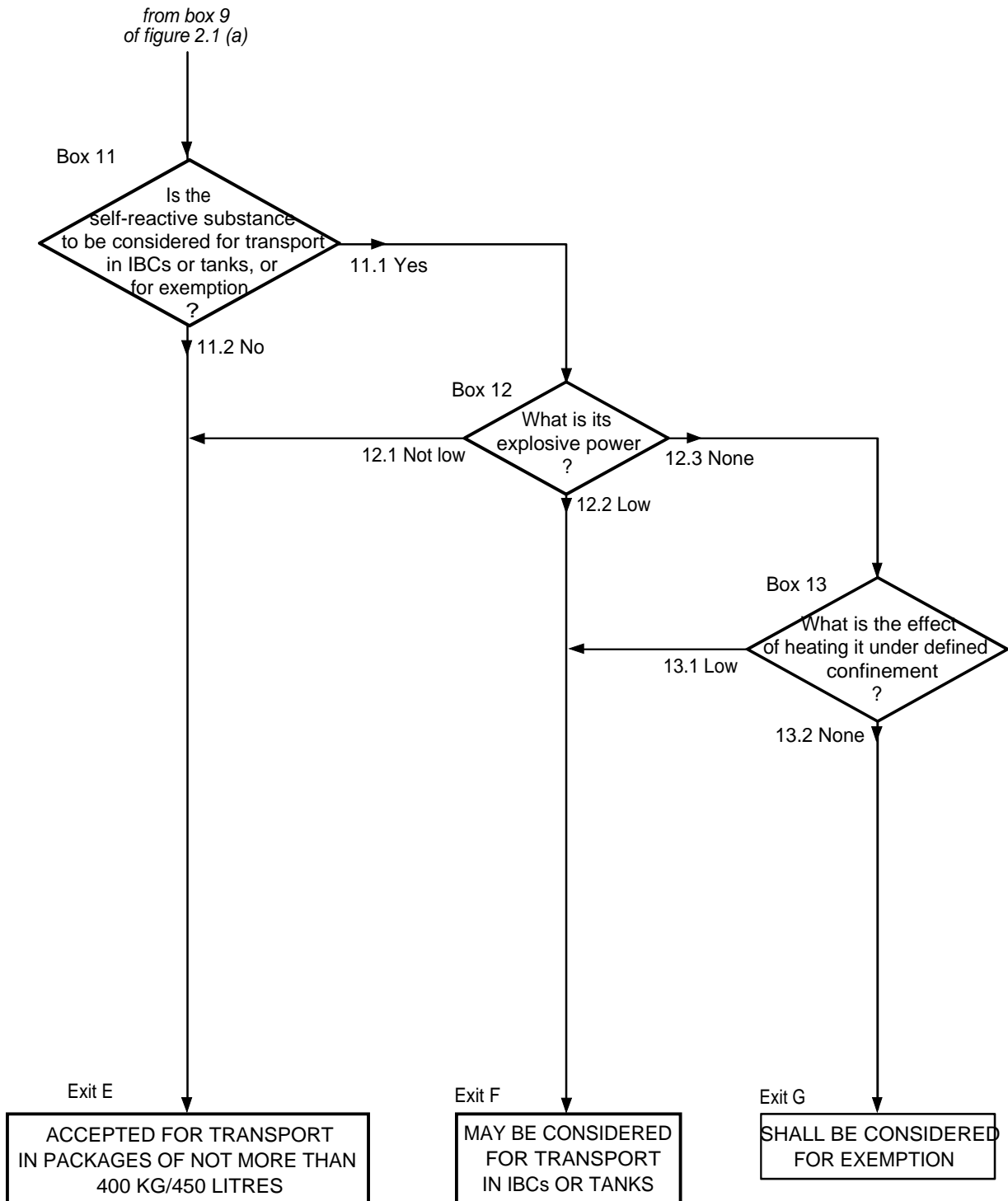


ANNEX 2

Figures 2.4.1 (*UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, 12th Revised Edition*)

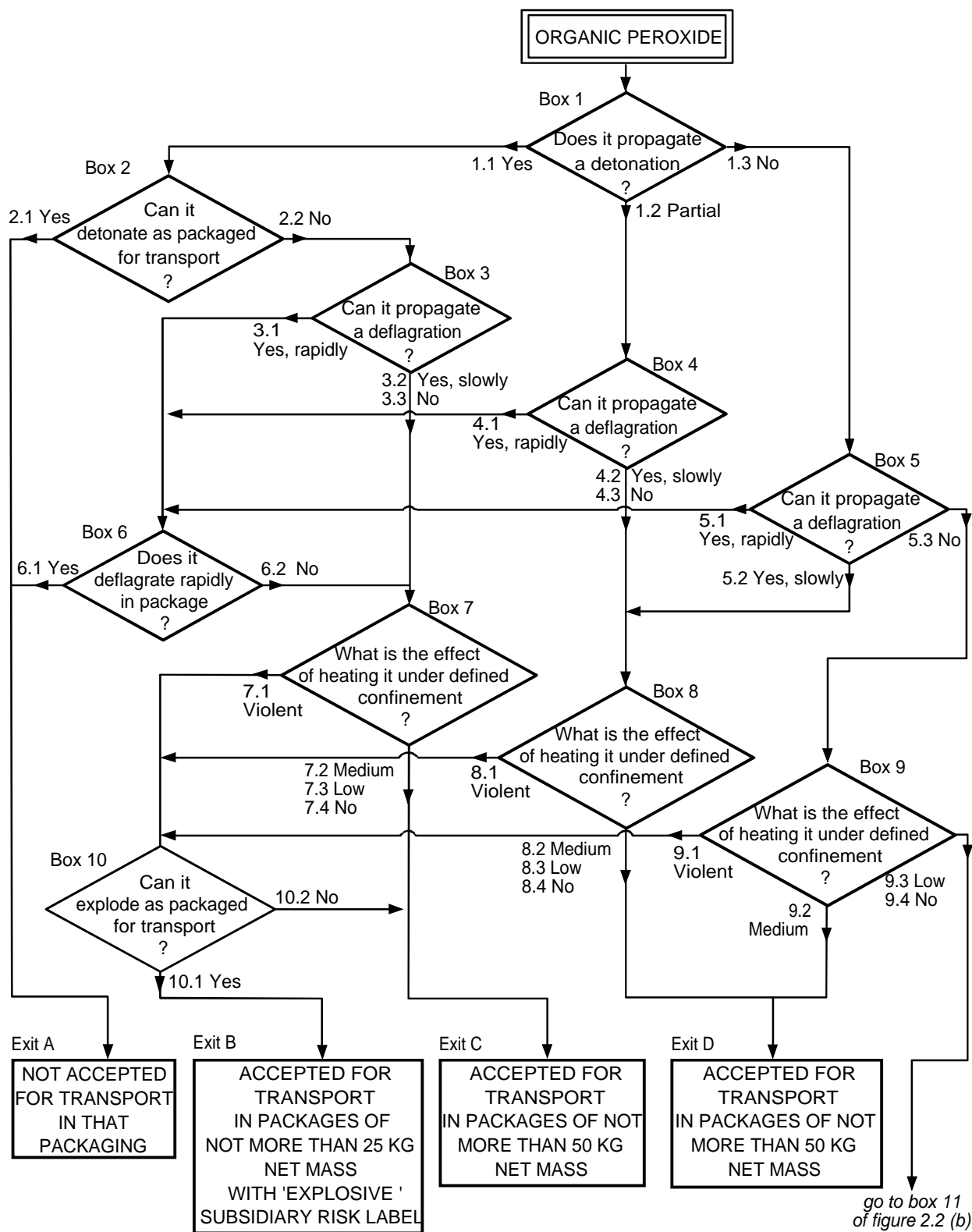


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ANNEX 3

Figures 2.5.1 (*UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, 12th Revised Edition*)



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