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PACKAGINGS

Packaging performance

Drop test

Transmitted by the expert from France

Introduction

1. During the consideration of questions relating to IBCs, and in the Working Group that met in Paris earlier, it was noted that the characteristics of the target used in the drop test were not clearly defined and that different results could be obtained depending on the target used (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/56, paras. 42 to 44). The expert from France said that he would submit a proposal on this matter.
2. There is a standard that clearly defines the characteristics of the impact surface, namely ISO 2248 (para. 4.4).
3. It is proposed to refer to this standard in order to clearly define the characteristics of the target used in the drop test. This will enhance the reliability of the test and the quality of packagings.

4. Given that the same issue arises for other packagings, an identical amendment is proposed in chapters 6.1, 6.2 and 6.6.

Proposals

1. In 6.5.6.9.3, add “in conformity with the requirements of standard ISO 2248” after “flat and horizontal surface”.

2. In 6.1.5.3.4, add “in conformity with the requirements of standard ISO 2248” at the end of the sentence.

3. In 6.3.2.5 (a), add “in conformity with the requirements of standard ISO 2248” at the end of the first sentence.

4. In 6.6.5.3.4.3, add “in conformity with the requirements of standard ISO 2248” after “flat and horizontal surface”.
