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LISTING, CLASSIFICATION AND PACKING

Classification of nail varnish

Transmitted by the expert from France

Introduction

1. The NITROCELLULOSE SOLUTION, FLAMMABLE with not more than 12.6% nitrogen, by dry mass, and not more than 55% nitrocellulose must be transported under UN No. 2059.

2. However, special provision 198 applicable to UN No. 2059 provides that:

“Nitrocellulose solutions containing not more than 20% nitrocellulose may be transported as paint or printing ink, as applicable. See UN 1210, UN 1263, UN 3066, UN 3469 and UN 3470.”

This can be explained by the fact that the entries listed in this special provision offer a better description of the transported product.

3. Nail varnishes contain between 2 and 17% nitrocellulose. Applying the same principle to them seems logical. The entry that gives the best description of these products is **PERFUMERY PRODUCTS** (UN No. 1266). These nail varnishes are products that are chiefly sold in cosmetic shops and perfumeries.

4. It is proposed to incorporate this entry into special provision 198.

Proposal

5. In view of the above, the expert from France proposes:

(a) To amend special provision 198 of chapter 3.3 to read: “Nitrocellulose solutions containing not more than 20% nitrocellulose may be transported as paint, perfumery products or printing ink, as applicable. See UN 1210, UN 1263, UN 1266, UN 3066, UN 3469 and UN 3470.”

(b) To add special provision 163 to column (6) of the Dangerous Goods List of chapter 3.2 for UN No. 1266, packing groups II and III.
