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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR**Instructions in writing****Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)****SUMMARY**

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| Executive Summary: | EIGA proposes changes to the proposal transmitted by the Government of Germany. For Class 2 some parts of the text should be changed. |
| Action to be taken: | Amend the text as proposed. |
| Related documents: | ECE/TRANS/WP.15/2007/25 |

Introduction

The proposal of the German document already includes some comments from EIGA. Unfortunately, some comments were misinterpreted and need review.

Proposal

5.4.3.4 In the four page model of instructions in writing, in Table "*Equipment for personal and general protection to carry out general actions and hazard specific emergency actions to be carried on board the vehicle in accordance with section 8.1.5 of ADR*", for the entry "An emergency escape mask ...", delete the "X" in the column for "Danger label number" 2.1.

The "x" including footnote 1 should be deleted because toxic gases of Class 2 are labelled in accordance with the column 2.3 and do not use labels of 6.1.

As a consequence, in Table "*Additional guidance to members of the vehicle crew on the hazard characteristics of dangerous goods by class and on actions subject to prevailing circumstances*", for the flammable gases, the additional guidance to "use emergency escape mask" should be deleted.

Justification

- There is no added value to have an emergency escape mask in case of a flammable gas.
- All corrosive gases are by default, for Class 2, toxic gases. This means that they have label 2.3. Once a gas receives the label 2.3, the advice to use the escape mask is included in the general advice given in the first table in the column additional guidance.

Safety

EIGA considers that the proposal adequately covers the safety in emergency situations as required by the original German proposal.

Feasibility

No difficulties are foreseen.

Enforceability

No difficulties are foreseen in the enforcement of this proposal.
