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**PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL
CARRIAGE OF PERISHABLE FOODSTUFFS AND ON THE SPECIAL EQUIPMENT TO BE
USED FOR SUCH CARRIAGE (ATP)**

Pending proposals

Proposal to amend Annex 1, Appendix 3, A. Model form of certificate of compliance of the
equipment, as prescribed in annex 1, appendix 1, paragraph 4*

Transmitted by the Government of Portugal

* The present document is submitted in accordance with the Programme of Work for 2008-2012 of the Inland Transport Committee (ECE/TRANS/2008/11, Item 2.11 (a)) which calls for the "Consideration of amendment proposals to ATP to ensure it is updated as necessary".

SUMMARY

Executive summary: The ATP model certificate is shown in Annex 1, Appendix 3 A. In spite of this, there is no uniformity in the ATP certificates delivered by different competent authorities. Totally different certificates can be found, with one single page, two pages or even three pages and some of them without any security system to prevent copy forgeries.

Action to be taken: Amend Annex 1, Appendix 3, A.

Related documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2007/14, ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2006/9, ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2006/1

Introduction

1. In order to attain greater uniformity and security, and taking into account some of the suggestions made by delegates at the 63rd session on document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2007/14, Portugal proposes that a new revised standard ATP Certificate model be adopted and replace the existing one.

Proposal

2. Replace the ATP Certificate model in Annex 1, Appendix 3, A.

Annex 1, Appendix 3

A. Model form of certificate of compliance of the equipment, as prescribed in annex 1, appendix 1, paragraph 4

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FOR INSULATED, REFRIGERATED, MECHANICALLY REFRIGERATED OR HEATED EQUIPMENT USED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF PERISHABLE FOODSTUFFS BY LAND

After this point, all the remaining text of A. should be replaced by the new ATP Certificate model proposed (see pages 3 and 4)

Justification

3. If all countries used a standard ATP Certificate, the work of competent surveillance authorities would be simplified, and they would be able to detect more easily some of the forgeries that are employed today.

Feasibility

4. The introduction of the amendment to Annex 1, Appendix 3 A. would only require a simple software adaptation.

Enforceability

6. No problem of enforcement is foreseen.

The areas in grey shall be replaced by the translation in the language of the country issuing the ATP Certificate.

- 1/ *Strike out what does not apply.*
 - 2/ *Distinguishing sign of the country, as used in international road traffic.*
 - 3/ *The number (figures, letters, etc.) indicating the authority issuing the certificate and the approval reference.*
 - 4/ *The test procedure is not yet determined within the ATP Agreement. Multi-temperature equipment is insulated equipment with two or more compartments for different temperatures in each compartment.*
 - 5/ *The blank certificate shall be printed in the language of the issuing country and in English, French or Russian; the various items shall be numbered as in the above model.*
 - 6/ *State type (wagon, lorry, trailer, semi-trailer, container, etc.); in the case of tank equipment for carriage of liquid foodstuffs, add the word " **tank** ".*
 - 7/ *Enter here one or more of the descriptions listed in Appendix 4 of Annex 1, together with the corresponding distinguishing mark or marks.*
 - 8/ *Write the mark, model, gas, serial number and year of manufacture of the equipment.*
 - 9/ *Measurement of the overall coefficient of heat transfer, determination of the efficiency of cooling appliances, etc.*
 - 10/ *Where determined in conformity with the provisions of Appendix 2, paragraph 42, of this Annex.*
 - 11/ *The effective cooling capacity of each evaporator depends on the number of evaporators fixed at the condensing unit.*
 - 12/ *In case of loss, a new Certificate can be provided or, instead of it, a photocopy of the ATP Certificate bearing a special stamp with "CERTIFIED DUPLICATE" (in red ink) and the name of the certifying officer, his signature, and the name of the competent authority or authorized body.*
 - 13/ *Security stamp (relief, fluorescent, ultraviolet, or other safety mark that certifies the origin of the certificate).*
 - 14/ *If applicable, mention the way the power for issuing ATP Certificates was delegated.*
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