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EUROPEAN CODE FOR INLAND WATERWAYS (CEVNI)

Amendments to Chapter 8, "Transport of Dangerous Goods"

Proposal submitted by the Chairman of the informal working group on CEVNI

Note by the secretariat

At its thirty-second session, the Working Party took note of the creation of an informal working group on CEVNI, composed of the representatives of Austria, Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine, Danube Commission, International Sava River Basin Commission and the secretariat (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/64, para. 8). The aim of the group was to prepare amendment proposals to CEVNI, Police Regulations for the Navigation of the Rhine, Basic Rules of Navigation on the Danube and Rules for the Navigation on Sava River, based on the analysis of the differences between these four documents, prepared by Austria (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2008/6). The preliminary results of this work were presented at the thirty-third session of the Working Party (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/66, paras. 9-10) and the first draft of the amendment proposals to Chapters 1-6 was reviewed by the Working Party at its thirty-fourth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/66, paras. 8-20).

The present document contains the draft amendments to Chapter 8 entitled “Transport of Dangerous Goods”, prepared by the informal working group on CEVNI. The additions to the original text are highlighted in bold and the text to be deleted is highlighted in strike-through.

The Working Party may wish to recommend that the Working Party on Inland Water Transport adopt these amendments at its fifty-third session in October 2009.

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 8, “TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS”

1. Amendments to the title of Chapter 8
 - (a) Amend the title of the chapter to read “SIGNALLING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS”
2. Amendments to Article 8.01 – “Do not approach” signal
 - (a) Amend paragraph 1 as follows

In case of incidents or accidents that may result in leakage of the dangerous substances carried, the “Do not approach” signal shall be given **by the following** vessels ~~carrying the markings referred to in paragraphs 1, 2 or 3 of article 3.14~~, if the crew cannot avert the attendant danger to human life or navigation:

 - (a) tank vessels which must carry in accordance with article 3.14 one or two blue lights or blue cones;
 - (b) vessels which must carry in accordance with article 3.14 three blue lights or blue cones.

This provision does not apply to pushed barges and other non-self-propelled vessels. Nevertheless, if they are part of a convoy, the “Do not approach” signal shall be given by the vessel with the convoy boatmaster on board.
 - (b) Add a new sentence at the end of paragraph 4 to read

If the vessel has stopped, all unessential engines and auxiliary machinery must be stopped or unplugged.
3. Amendments to Article 8.02 – Reporting requirements
 - (a) Amend paragraph 1 as follows
 1. Boatmasters of the **following** vessels and convoys ~~carrying dangerous goods in accordance with the provisions of ADN~~ shall, prior to entering the sectors, traffic control posts, traffic centres and locks indicated by the competent authority, eventually by B.11 signs (annex 7), report their presence on the indicated radiotelephone channel ~~and communicate the following data:~~
 - (a) **Vessels and convoys carrying dangerous goods in accordance with the provisions of ADN;**
 - (b) **Vessels transporting more than 20 containers;**
 - (c) **Passenger vessels;**

- (d) **Seagoing vessels;**
- (e) **Special transport referred to in article 1.21;**
- (f) **Other vessels and convoys as required by the competent authorities.**

2. The boatmasters mentioned in paragraph 1 shall communicate the following data:

- (a) category of vessel;
- (b) name of vessel;
- (c) position, direction of navigation (~~if applicable~~);
- (d) official number of vessel; for seagoing vessels: IMO number;
- (e) **maximum load; for seagoing vessels: deadweight tonnage** (~~maximum load~~);
- (f) length and breadth of vessel;
- (g) type, length and breadth of convoy;
- (h) draught (only on special request);
- (i) route;
- (j) loading port;
- (k) unloading port;
- (l) nature and quantity of cargo (for dangerous goods **referred to in ADN: name of substance and, where appropriate, class, packing group and UN number**);
- (m) signalization required for the carriage of dangerous goods;
- (n) number of persons on board;
- (o) **number of containers.**

- (b) Renumber the remaining paragraphs accordingly
- (c) In the old paragraph 2 (new paragraph 3), after by telephone insert or if possible electronically
- (d) In the old paragraph 5 (new paragraph 6), amend the first sentence as follows
~~These data are confidential and~~ The competent authority shall not transmit ~~them~~
these data to third parties.

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