
**GENERAL AMENDMENTS TO THE
EUROPEAN CODE
FOR INLAND WATERWAYS (CEVNI)**

Informal Working Group on CEVNI

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- ❑ *Established on 15 December 2007*
 - ❑ *Composition: Austria, CCNR, Danube Commission, Sava Commission, UNECE*
 - ❑ *Five face to face meeting in 2007-2009*
 - ❑ *Results:*
 - ❑ *General amendments to CEVNI :
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2009/2*
 - ❑ *Specific amendments to the CEVNI provisions based on
the comparison document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2008/6*
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General amendments to CEVNI

- ❑ New Chapter 9 on “Special regional and national requirements” and an annual CEVNI status document
- ❑ Removing class II in Chapter 6
- ❑ Rearranging definitions in Article 1.01
- ❑ Replacing Annexes 4 and 5 with the reference to EN Standard 14744:2005
- ❑ Clarifying the use of the term “fairway” (applicable to the English text only)

**NOTE: DETAILED PROPOSALS ARE CONTAINED IN
DOCUMENT ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2009/2**

A. New Chapter 9 on “Special regional and national requirements” (1/3)

- ❑ CURRENTLY, 78 footnotes in CEVNI :
 - ❑ No harmonized content
 - ❑ No reporting mechanism
 - ❑ PROPOSAL:
 - ❑ a new Chapter 9 listing articles to which derogations are permitted
 - ❑ A CEVNI status document published every year by the secretariat
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A. New Chapter 9 on “Special regional and national requirements” (2/3)

- Article 9.01 “Regional and national special requirements”

The competent authorities may adopt different provisions for the articles listed in this Chapter. In this case, they shall report on these differences to the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3).

- Article 9.02 “Chapter 1 “GENERAL PROVISIONS”

1. With respect to Article 1.01 (d), the competent authorities may use the term “small size craft” as a subcategory of “small craft” as defined in CEVNI article 1.01 (d);
2. With respect to Article 1.01 (bb), the competent authorities may use a different definition of “water bike”;

- Article 9.03 “Chapter 2 “MARKS AND DRAUGHT SCALES ON VESSELS; TONNAGE MEASUREMENT ”

New Chapter 9 on “Special regional and national requirements” (3/3)

- A CEVNI status document published every year

| CEVNI provisions | Regional and National Special Requirements |
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| Article 1.01 (d) | <p>In accordance with article 9.02 para. 1, the following countries use the subcategory “small size craft” to designate all vessels with a hull less than 7 m long, including rowing boats of any length:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Belarus;Kazakhstan;Republic of Moldova;Russian Federation; andUkraine. |

B. Removing class II in Chapter 6 (1/1)

- ❑ CURRENTLY, CEVNI establishes a distinction between class I and class II of inland waterways (Article 6.01):
 - ❑ Class I: rivers
 - ❑ Class II: canals, lakes and broad waterways
 - ❑ Different rules for
 - ❑ Meeting of vessels
 - ❑ Sound signals when stationary
 - ❑ Navigation by radar
 - ❑ PROPOSAL: to reassess the need for two categories in CEVNI in order to simplify the rules
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C. Rearranging definitions in Article 1.01 (1/1)

- ❑ CURRENTLY, Article 1.01 includes 32 definitions
 - ❑ Not grouped by theme
 - ❑ Complicated numbering (a) to (ee)

 - ❑ PROPOSAL: to regroup definitions by subject:
 - ❑ Types of Vessels
 - ❑ Convoys
 - ❑ Light And Sound Signals
 - ❑ Other Terms
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D. Annexes 4 and 5 (1/1)

- ❑ CURRENTLY, CEVNI includes:
 - ❑ Annex 4, “Lights and the Colour of Signal Lights on Vessels”
 - ❑ Annex 5, “Intensity and Range of Signal Lights on Vessels”
 - ❑ Annex 5 was amended at the SC.3 fifty-first session to bring CEVNI in line with EN standard 14744:2005 on navigation lights for inland navigation and sea-going vessels
 - ❑ No amendment proposal for Annex 4
 - ❑ River Commissions refer directly to EN Standard EN 14744:2005
- ❑ PROPOSAL: To leave Annexes 4 and 5 void in CEVNI and
 - ❑ Either refer directly to EN standard
 - ❑ Or insert relevant provisions in Resolution No.61

NOTE: EN 14744:2005 was published in English, French and Russian in Document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2007/9

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
ATTENTION AND COMMENTS!**

*Detailed proposals are contained in
Document*

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2009/2
