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**Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods  
and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification  
and Labelling of Chemicals****Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods****Thirty-ninth session**

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**Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the Model Regulations  
on the Transport of Dangerous Goods: marking and labelling****Marking of the date of manufacture with packagings of types  
1H and 3H****Transmitted by the International Confederation of Plastics Packaging  
Manufacturers (ICPP)<sup>1</sup>****Background**

1. The marking of the month of manufacture of packaging types 1H and 3H according to 6.1.3.1 (e) has proved itself in practice. During the last years many manufacturers added to this clock the year of manufacture. The use of a clock showing the month and the year of manufacture for packaging types 1 H and 3 H has become more and more established and was practised with and without the admission of national competent authorities.

2. It was reported that e.g. some port authorities objected occasionally to this kind of marking that it is not fully in line with the method described in 6.1.3.1 (e). ICPP is of the opinion that both kinds of marking should be admitted in the Regulations. However, when using a clock indicating also the year of manufacture it should be guaranteed that the date is the same as in the UN-string.

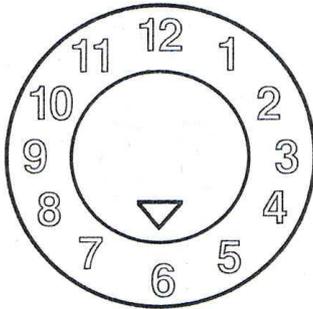
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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2011-2012 approved by the Committee at its fifth session (refer to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/76, para. 116 and ST/SG/AC.10/38, para. 16).

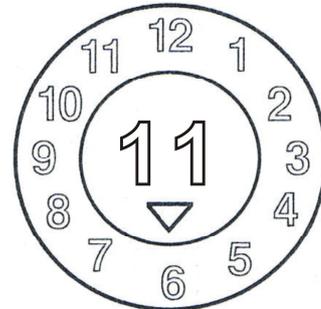
## Proposal

3. Amend 6.1.3.1 (e) beginning with the last sentence as follows:

“Appropriate methods are:



or



4. If the right version is used, the two digits of the year in the marking and in the "clock" shall be identical. Other methods that provide the minimum required information in a durable, legible and visible form are also acceptable.”

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