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Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the

Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous goods: marking and labelling

Comments on document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2011/5 (United Kingdom), Descriptions of labels, placards, symbols, markings and marks

Transmitted by the expert from Switzerland

1. Switzerland supports the intention expressed in document 2011/5 to clarify the requirements regarding labels, placards and marks and wishes to thank the expert from the United Kingdom for his efforts to do it.
2. The Expert from Switzerland would like to suggest a few improvements:
3. Proposal 1, figure 3.4.1 and 3.4.2:
 - Give the dimension of the side of the two black triangles in mm or in proportion of the size of the square. As represented it seems to be half of the side of the square.
 - Delete from the underlined text the words "with all four sides the same length" as this is an evidence for a square.
4. Proposal 1, figure 3.4.2:
 - Give the dimension of the "Y" expressed in mm or in proportion of the size of the square.
5. Proposal 2, figure 3.5.1:
 - Give the dimension of the circle expressed in mm or in proportion of the size of the square,
 - Indicate the minimum size of the characters of "*" and "**",
 - Indicate the minimum width of the hatching,
 - Move the first paragraph and the figure in 3.5.4.3 in sub-section 3.5.4.2, let the underlined sentence written under this figure under 3.5.4.3 and add "in 3.5.4.2" after "The Mark" in this sentence.
6. Proposal 8, figure 5.3.4
 - Delete from the underlined text the words "with all three sides the same length" as this is an evidence for an equilateral triangle.
7. General remark regarding the figures:

- They have the purpose to illustrate the dimension on a reduced scale. The width of the boundary lines should correspond proportionally to the description made in the text,
- The word “dimension” between the double arrows (example figure 5.2.2: “minimum dimension 100 mm”) could be deleted.
