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European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) (Resolution No. 24)

Amendments to Chapters 1–8

Addendum

Note by the secretariat

I. Introduction and mandate

1. The Working Party, at its fortieth session, considered new amendment proposals to European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI), prepared by the CEVNI Expert Group (CEG) (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2012/3), provisionally approved draft amendments to articles 3.25(1), 6.10(6), 8.02(6), Annex 3 and Annex 6 of CEVNI and agreed to revert to these proposals at its forty-first session, hoping to have by then the position of the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) on Article 4.07 and clarifications by the CEG on articles 3.16(1) and 7.08(2) (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/80, paras. 26 and 27). The Working Party may wish to continue consideration of the pending items contained in the above-mentioned document together with additional proposals by CEG, member Governments and River Commissions, the secretariat.

II. New amendment proposals to CEVNI

2. The secretariat has been requested by CEG (Geneva, 14 February 2012) to prepare amendment proposals to articles 1.08 and 3.01 of CEVNI for consideration by the Working Party (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/80, annex, paragraphs 8 and 9 (d)).
3. The Working Party may wish to consider the amendment proposals to CEVNI provided below as prepared by the secretariat.

A. Amendment to article 1.08 of CEVNI

4. *Supplement* paragraph 4 of article 1.08 with a new sentence *reading*

   In addition to the life jackets specified in 10–5.4.2.1 (iii) and 10–5.4.3 (ii) of the Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No.61), passenger vessels shall be supplied with additional rigid lifejackets for children up to a weight of 30 kg or to an age of 6 years in a quantity equal to 10 per cent of the total number of passengers.¹

B. Amendments to chapter 3 of CEVNI

5. *Supplement* article 3.01 with a new paragraph 4 *reading:*

   When passing through the opening of a fixed or closed bridge or weir, or when passing through locks, vessels, towed and pushed convoys, side-by-side formations [and small craft]² may carry the masthead lights prescribed in this chapter at a reduced height so that passage may be effected without difficulty.³

6. *Delete* paragraph 5 of article 3.08, paragraph 5 of article 3.09, paragraph 3 of article 3.10, paragraph 3 of article 3.11 and paragraph 7 of article 3.13 and *renumber* the paragraphs that follow accordingly.³

7. *Supplement* paragraph 3 of article 3.20 with a new sentence *reading* Ship’s boats do not need any marking.⁴

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¹ Proposed by Belgium (see ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/80, annex, para. 8).
² The Working Party may wish to delete the reference to small craft, given that the term "vessel", as defined in para. (a) 1 of article 1.01, includes also small craft.
³ Proposed by Belgium (see ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/80, annex, para. 9 (d)).
⁴ Proposed by CEG.