

## **DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL**

**Frankfurt, 16 to 20 September 2002**

### **Agenda Item 2: Development of recommendations for amendments to the Technical Instructions for incorporation in the 2005/2006 edition**

## **CONSUMER COMMODITIES**

(Presented by G A Leach)

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Please see the following paper regarding Consumer Commodities. This is now the only entry in Table 3-1 currently assigned an ID number (8000). It is suggested that the Secretary be asked to present the paper below, in the name of the Panel, requesting UN to assign a UN to Consumer Commodities:

### **2. CONSUMER COMMODITIES**

2.1 Both ICAO and IMO have from time to time identified substances/articles that produce danger in a particular mode and specific numbers are requested. During the last biennium some new numbers were given for sea transport.

2.1.1 The ICAO Technical Instructions have had a series of numbers that are outside the UN sequence – the 8000 series. These "8000" numbers have been adopted because UN numbers had not been agreed even though the Dangerous Goods Panel had considered that the substance/article should be regulated in air transport. At one time there existed nearly 20 of these numbers. Over the years some of the numbers have become redundant whilst for others the Committee of Experts have agreed to the new numbers. At the last meeting of the Dangerous Goods Panel in October 2001 all the remaining 8000 series numbers were cancelled except the one for Consumer Commodities.

### **3. CONSUMER COMMODITIES**

3.1 Consumer commodities consist of small quantities of dangerous goods from a number of classes. The maximum quantity per receptacle is 500ml/500g and 25kg gross mass. The goods are intended for the purposes of retail sale for personal or household use. This entry in the Technical Instructions has been used for nearly 20 years and has proved useful for both consignors and carriers.

#### 4. PROPOSAL

4.1 The Panel wish to retain this entry for use in the air mode and would request that UN 8000 is allocated to this purpose with SP106 ("Subject to these regulations when transported by air"). UN8000 provides an easy identifier as this name covers a number of different classes and it will clearly be separate from other UN numbers.

UN No. (1)	Name and Description (2)	Class or Division (3)	Subsidiary Risk (4)	UN Packing Group (5)	Special Provisions (6)	Limited quantities (7)	Packagings and IBCs	
							Packing instruction (8)	Special provisions (9)
8000	CONSUMER COMMODITY	9			106	NONE	[N/A] [P099] [0]	

4.1.1 In the above proposal there are three options in Column 8 and the Sub Committee is invited to decide the most appropriate at present all are used (see UN3335, 3315 and 2807) However with the restructuring of the Technical Instructions the Panel believed that it should remove or replace the unique air numbers entirely.

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