



DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

THIRTIETH MEETING

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Agenda Item 2: Managing air-specific safety risks and identifying anomalies (REC-A-DGS-2027)

2.2: Develop proposals, if necessary, for amendments to the Technical Instructions for the *Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2027-2028 Edition

SALVAGE PACKAGINGS

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SUMMARY

With the aim of making more obvious the requirements that “salvage packaging”, must have received and be accompanied by a copy of the document(s) of approval present in Part 4 and 5 of these Instructions, we recommend that this also be mentioned in the acceptance procedures provisions contained in Part 7;1.

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to consider amending the provisions for certain dangerous goods to be accompanied by additional documentation (Part 5;4.3 of the Technical Instructions) to include dangerous goods shipped in salvage packaging, as presented in the appendix to this working paper.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Salvage packagings are authorized by the Technical Instructions under certain conditions such as:

- a) prior approval from the appropriate national authority must be obtained to ship salvage packagings (Part 4;1.4.1);
- b) they must be single packagings of a material resistant to any chemical or other action of the leaking or spilled dangerous goods (Part 4;1.4.2);
- c) not more than one damaged, defective or leaking package of dangerous goods may be packed in any one of such single packagings (Part 4;1.4.2);

- d) restrictions as to which class and packing groups can be shipped in salvage packaging (Part 4;1.4.3 and 4;1.4.4);
- e) packaging performance test requirements (Part 6;4.8); and
- f) marking and documentation requirements (Part 5;1.5)

1.2 Presently there are requirements for certain dangerous goods to be accompanied by a copy of the document(s) of approval when shipped. This applies to:

- a) dangerous goods shipped in accordance with Special Provision A1 or A2;
- b) dangerous goods shipped in portable tanks;
- c) dangerous goods shipped in packagings as authorized by 4;2.8;
- d) organic peroxides and self-reactive substances that require an approval prior to transport under the provisions of 2;5.3.2.5 or 2;4.2.3.2.5; and
- e) dangerous goods shipped under an exemption, where a copy of the exemption must accompany the consignment (see 1;1.1).

1.3 We noticed that operators, when accepting salvage packaging, are often unaware that prior approval from the appropriate national authority must be obtained to ship salvage packagings in accordance with Part 4;1.4.1 compared to other approvals specified in Part 5;4.3 – “Additional documentation for other than radioactive material”. As the shipment of salvage packaging by air is not a frequent occurrence, we believe that if a copy of the national authority approval was submitted with the consignment, then this would ensure that the conditions of the approval would be inspected.

2. ACTION BY THE DGP

2.1 The DGP is invited to consider amending the provisions for certain dangerous goods to be accompanied by additional documentation (Part 5;4.3 of the Technical Instructions) to include dangerous goods shipped in salvage packaging, as presented in the appendix to this working paper.

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APPENDIX

PROPOSAL

Part 5

SHIPPER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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Chapter 4

DOCUMENTATION

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4.3 ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION FOR OTHER THAN RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

4.3.1 When dangerous goods are shipped as authorized by Special Provision A1 or A2, they must be accompanied by a copy of the document(s) of approval, showing the quantity limitations, the packing requirements and, in the case of A2, the labelling requirements.

4.3.2 When dangerous goods are shipped in portable tanks as authorized by Part S-4, Chapter 12 of the Supplement, they must be accompanied by a copy of the document(s) of approval.

4.3.3 When dangerous goods are shipped in packagings as authorized by 4;2.8, they must be accompanied by a copy of the document(s) of approval.

4.3.4 When organic peroxides and self-reactive substances require an approval prior to transport under the provisions of 2;5.3.2.5 or 2;4.2.3.2.5, a copy of the approval must be attached to the dangerous goods transport document.

4.3.5 When dangerous goods are shipped in salvage packagings as authorized by 4;1.4.1, they must be accompanied by a copy of the document(s) of approval.

4.3-~~5~~.6 When dangerous goods are shipped under exemption (see 1;1.1), a copy of the exemption must accompany the consignment. Where more than one State has granted an exemption for a particular consignment, the documents that need to accompany it are the exemptions granted by the States of Origin, Transit (if relevant) and Destination.

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