



DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

THIRTIETH MEETING

Montréal, 6 to 10 October 2025

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

UP-TO-DATE REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

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SUMMARY

This paper proposes to add a requirement that shippers, operators and anyone acting on their behalf amend or revise reference documents as is necessary to ensure that the information contained therein is kept up to date. It also proposes to require that all such amendments or revisions be issued to all personnel that are required to use them.

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to consider the amendments presented in the in the appendix to this working paper.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In the Technical Instructions, there is no requirement for shippers, operators and anyone acting on their behalf to keep reference documents up to date. This is challenging during inspections when we come across out-of-date reference documents.

1.2 Such provisions are contained in Annex 6 — *Operation of Aircraft*, Part I — *International Commercial Air Transport — Aeroplanes*, 4.2.3.1 which states:

4.2.3 Operations manual

4.2.3.1 The operator shall provide, for the use and guidance of operations personnel concerned, an operations manual in accordance with Appendix 2. The operations manual shall be amended or revised as is necessary to ensure that the information contained therein is kept up to date. All such amendments or revisions shall be issued to all personnel that are required to use this manual.

2. **ACTION BY THE DGP**

2.1 The DGP is invited to consider the amendments presented in the in the appendix to this working paper.

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APPENDIX

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part 5

SHIPPER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Chapter 1

GENERAL

Parts of this Chapter are affected by State Variations BE 4, CA 1, CA 2, CA 6, CH 3, DE 1, DE 2, FR 2, FR 3, GB 1, HK 3, HR 4, IN 2, IN 3, IR 1, IR 4, IT 1, IT 2, IT 3, IT 5, JP 8, JP 17, MY 2, MY 3, RO 1, UA 1, US 10, VE 7; see Table A-1

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1.3 INFORMATION TO EMPLOYEES

A shipper must provide such information to employees as will enable them to carry out the functions for which they are responsible with regard to the transport of dangerous goods by air. The operations manual and/or other appropriate manuals must be amended or revised as is necessary to ensure that the information contained therein is kept up to date. All such amendments or revisions must be issued to all personnel that are required to use them.

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Part 7

OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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Chapter 4

PROVISION OF INFORMATION

Parts of this Chapter are affected by State Variations AU 4, BR 4, BR 7, BR 8, BR 9, BY 3, CA 1, CA 14, FR 5, GB 4, KP 3, KW 4, MY 4, MY 5, PL 6, RP 6, US 12, US 13, US 15, VE 3, VU 3, VU 4; see Table A-1

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4.2 INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO EMPLOYEES

An operator must provide such information in the operations manual and/or other appropriate manuals as will enable flight crews and other employees to carry out the functions for which they are responsible with regard to the transport of dangerous goods. This information must include instructions as to the action to be taken in the event of emergencies involving dangerous goods, and details of the location and numbering system of cargo compartments together with:

- a) the maximum quantity of dry ice permitted in each compartment; and
- b) if radioactive material is to be carried, instructions on the loading of such dangerous goods based on the requirements of 7.2.9.

Where applicable, this information must also be provided to ground handling agents. The operations manual and/or other appropriate manuals must be amended or revised as is necessary to ensure that the information contained therein is kept up to date. All such amendments or revisions must be issued to all personnel that are required to use them.

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