



**WORKING PAPER**

**DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)  
WORKING GROUP MEETING (DGP-WG/22)**

**Montréal, 21 to 25 November 2022**

- Agenda Item 2: Managing air-specific safety risks and identifying anomalies (REC-A-DGS-2025)**  
**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 2025-2026 Edition**

**MISHANDLED BAGGAGE**

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**SUMMARY**

As part of the work conducted by the DGP-WG/Annex 18, the definition of “cargo” in the Technical Instructions will be added into Annex 18. However, this definition makes reference to “mishandled baggage” which is not a term currently used within the Technical Instructions. This paper seeks to make appropriate amendments to align Annex 18 and the Technical Instructions with respect to “mishandled baggage”.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The Working Group on Annex 18 have identified that the definition of “cargo” from the Technical Instructions needs to be brought up and added into Annex 18.

1.2 The definition of cargo for the purposes of Annex 18 and the Technical Instructions is as follows:

***Cargo.*** Any property carried on an aircraft other than mail and accompanied or mishandled baggage.

1.3 Currently, there is no reference to “mishandled baggage” in the Technical Instructions, instead in Part 8; 1.1.2 and 1.1.9 other terms such as “lost” or “improperly routed” baggage is used.

1.4 Lost or improperly routed baggage is considered mishandled baggage, and as such, the abovementioned sections of Part 8 of the Technical Instructions should be amended for consistency.

**2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG**

2.1 The DGP is invited to review the proposed amendments for Part 8; 1.1.2 and Part 8; 1.1.9, as shown in the Appendix to this working paper and consider these amendments for incorporation in the 2025-2026 Edition of the Technical Instructions.

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**APPENDIX**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART 8 OF THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS**

**Part 8**

**PROVISIONS CONCERNING  
PASSENGERS AND CREW**

**Chapter 1**

**PROVISIONS FOR DANGEROUS GOODS  
CARRIED BY PASSENGERS OR CREW**

**1.1 DANGEROUS GOODS CARRIED BY PASSENGERS OR CREW**

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1.1.2 Except for the reporting provisions of 7;4.4 and 7;4.5, the provisions of these Instructions do not apply to the dangerous goods permitted by Table 8-1 when those dangerous goods are:

- a) carried by passengers or crew for personal use only;
- b) contained in baggage that has been separated from its owner during transit (e.g. mishandled baggage such as lost baggage or improperly routed baggage); or

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1.1.9 Except for the reporting provisions of 7;4.4 and 7;4.5, the provisions of these Instructions do not apply to the dangerous goods permitted in accordance with Table 8-2 when those dangerous goods are:

- a) carried by staff members of the OPCW on official travel or government agencies listed in Table 8 2 on official travel;
- b) contained in baggage that has been separated from its owner during transit (e.g. mishandled baggage such as lost baggage or improperly routed baggage); or

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