



WORKING PAPER

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

Montréal, 5 to 16 October 2009

Agenda Item 2: Development of recommendations for amendments to the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2011-2012 Edition

“BLUE FLAME” LIGHTERS

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SUMMARY

The paper proposes the addition of note to identify that certain types of lighters are prohibited for carriage by passengers.

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to add an additional note to Part 8;1.1.2 m) as shown in the appendix.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Recently a member airline brought to the attention of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Board (DGB) the sale of so-called “blue flame” cigarette lighters and raised concerns about the carriage of these lighters by passengers because of the intensity of the flame.

1.2 These “blue flame” lighters produce a very intense, focussed flame that has the capability to cut through metal and which the airline believed should not be permitted for carriage by passengers or crew. The IATA DGB supported the airline’s position and as a consequence a note has been added to the provisions applicable to passengers and crew in the IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations to identify that this type of lighter is prohibited.

1.3 Support is sought from the panel to have a similar note added into the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) against the provisions for cigarette lighter in Part 8.

APPENDIX

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part 8

PROVISIONS CONCERNING
PASSENGERS AND CREW

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Chapter 1

PROVISIONS FOR DANGEROUS GOODS
CARRIED BY PASSENGERS OR CREW

Parts of this Chapter are affected by State Variations CH 1, US 15; see Table A-1

1.1 DANGEROUS GOODS CARRIED BY PASSENGERS OR CREW

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1.1.2 Notwithstanding any additional restrictions which may be implemented by States in the interests of aviation security, except for the incident reporting provisions of 7;4.4, the provisions of these Instructions do not apply to the following when carried by passengers or crew members or in baggage that has been separated from its owner during transit (e.g. lost baggage or improperly routed baggage):

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- m) one small packet of safety matches or a cigarette lighter that does not contain unabsorbed liquid fuel (other than liquefied gas), intended for use by an individual when carried on the person. Matches and lighters are not permitted in checked or carry-on baggage. Lighter fuel and lighter refills are not permitted on one's person, in carry-on or checked baggage;

Note 1.— "Strike anywhere" matches are forbidden for air transport.

Note 2.— "Blue Flame" or "Cigar" lighters are not permitted on one's person, carry-on or checked baggage.

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