

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

NINETEENTH MEETING

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

EXCEPTION FOR THE AIR ELIGIBILITY MARK

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This working paper amends DGP/19-WP/43.

1.2 At WG-03 the panel member nominated by IATA submitted a flimsy proposing exceptions for certain dangerous goods (e.g. cylinders) from the requirement to be marked with the air eligibility mark. Unfortunately the paper was considered on the last day of the meeting and there was not sufficient time available to consider the proposal to the extent necessary to reach conclusion. In this paper, exceptions from the air eligibility mark are proposed. It is envisioned that these exceptions will facilitate the practical implementation of the mark.

1.3 It is also proposed to include a provision to clarify that the air eligibility mark should not appear on packages that do not meet the requirements of these Technical Instructions.

2. PROPOSAL

2.1 The Panel is requested to consider the following.

Amend 2.4.12 by renumbering it as 2.4.12.1 and deleting the words "From 1 January 2004" as well as the note below the illustration of the mark. Add the following text after the illustration of the mark:

2.4.12.2 The air eligibility mark is not required for:

- a) Packages that are transported in accordance with the excepted quantity provisions in 1;2.4;
- b) Packages that contain solid carbon dioxide (dry ice) and that contain no other dangerous goods subject to the requirements of these Technical Instructions;
- c) Articles which are not fully enclosed by packaging, crates or other means that prevent ready identification and that are not required to be placed in a fully enclosed package according to these Technical Instructions;
- d) Gas cylinders, and
- e) Packages or articles that are excepted from the marking requirements of these Technical Instructions (for example where A87 applies).
- f) **Magnetized material.**

2.4.12.3 The air eligibility marking must not appear on dangerous goods packages that do not meet the requirements of these Technical Instructions.

2.2 On the basis that the air eligibility mark is scheduled to come into force from 1 January 2004, if this proposal is adopted, the Panel should consider issuing an addendum so that shippers may implement the exceptions consistent with the 1 January 2004 implementation date.

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