DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP) WORKING GROUP MEETING (DGP-WG/15)

Montreal, 27 April to 1 May 2015

Agenda Item 3: Development of recommendations for amendments to the Supplement to the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284SU) for incorporation in the 2017-2018 Edition

GUIDANCE FOR STATES WHEN INSPECTING DG TRAINING PROGRAMMES

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SUMMARY

The Supplement to the Technical Instructions provides guidance to States for the conduct of inspections. This working paper proposes additional guidance material regarding the inspection and assessment of dangerous goods training programmes.

Action by the DGP-WG: The DGP is invited to

- comment upon and/or adopt the guidance for States to consider during inspections and approvals (where required) of dangerous goods instructors when reviewing dangerous goods training programmes, in Chapter 5 of Part 7 of the Supplement as shown in Appendix A to this working paper.
- consider whether Attachments A and B to Attachment II to Chapter 7 of the Supplement are assessment checklists, rather than approval checklists, and if so to make the changes to pages S-7-7-6 and 7-7-7 shown in Appendix B to this working paper.
- consider the proposed changes to Attachment B to Attachment II to Chapter 7 of the Supplement which are shown in Appendix C to this working paper.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 At the DGP Working Group of the Whole Meeting held in April 2014 (DGP-WG/13, Montreal, 15 to 19 April 2013), a paper was presented (see paragraph 3.2.4 of the DGP-WG/13 Report) that raised some questions about the adequacy of the existing text in Part 1;4.3 of the Technical Instructions with respect to the qualifications and knowledge of instructors of dangerous goods courses
- 1.2 This paper provides some additional guidance to States regarding the inspection of dangerous goods training programmes, and in particular, those persons who deliver the training programme, based on the experiences of some State dangerous goods inspectors.
- 1.3 The paper also includes some suggested additional material to be considered for Attachment B to Attachment II to Chapter 7 of the Supplement. These changes include some items which are required to be part of the training programme, including record keeping and a test of understanding.
- 1.4 In reviewing Attachments A and B, it was considered that a checklist was a tool to assist in the assessment of a dangerous goods manual and a dangerous goods training programme, rather than the approval.

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

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to consider the proposed changes to Attachment A and B to Attachment II to Chapter 7 and Chapter 5 of the Supplement, which are shown in the appendices to this working paper.

APPENDIX A

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART S-7 OF THE SUPPLEMENT

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Part S-7

STATE'S RESPONSIBILITIES WITH RESPECT TO OPERATORS

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Chapter 5

INSPECTIONS

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5.6 TRAINING PROGRAMMES

- 5.6.1 The Technical Instructions require that the operator's training programmes for all staff be approved. The inspection is to confirm that training meets the requirements of the Technical Instructions.
- 5.6.2 An operator, depending on its size, may have several training programmes customized to the individual responsibilities of its staff. Also, even if the operator does not carry dangerous goods, there is still a need for training programmes for both operational and ground staff dealing with passengers and their baggage; dangerous goods training for such staff may be included, for example, in the safety and emergency procedures training.
- 5.6.3 The inspection should review a reasonable proportion of the training material to ensure that it is current and relevant to the category of employee and the operator's needs. It is also appropriate to examine how the operator ensures that the training material remains up to date.
- 5.6.4 For more complex training programmes, such as those being delivered at different locations or by different instructors, the inspection should examine how the operator ensures the consistency in the training courses and training outcomes.
- 5.6.5 A crucial component of an effective training programme is the knowledge and capability of those persons who are responsible for creating and delivering the training and those who have oversight responsibilities of the training programme. Training delivery methods include classroom or other face-to-face courses and those which do not rely upon human interaction such as computer-based or correspondence delivery.
- 5.6.5 The inspection should review the technical knowledge and operational experience of the personnel who are responsible for the training programme. There may be several employees who are jointly responsible for the programme. For example, one person may have responsibility for the technical dangerous goods content, another with the method of learning and delivery, and yet another with the day-to-day oversight of the scheduling of employees for induction and recurrent training and the retention of training records.
- 5.6.5 Where the course is delivered by non-human interaction, the inspection should review the composition and delivery of the training. Aspects to consider include whether the information is presented in a logical sequence, whether the learning processes are interactive and engaging, whether all syllabus areas are covered adequately, whether there is an opportunity to ask questions and gain assistance from a knowledgeable person, and whether the method of delivering and undertaking the test of understanding is suitably robust to prevent cheating or inappropriate collaboration.
- 5.6.6 The Technical Instructions require that a test to verify understanding be conducted following training. Methods of conducting the test may be practical, written, or multiple choice. The inspection of the test should consider the required competencies of the person completing the training and test and whether the relevant subject matter areas in the syllabus have been adequately addressed.
- 5.6.7 When reviewing larger training organizations, either within the operator's direct control or as an out-sourced arrangement, the inspection should review whether there is a process for identifying the need for new persons to be involved

in managing and /or delivering the training programme. The process for training, developing and maintaining the technical knowledge and instructional delivery of the instructor should also be reviewed.

5.6.8 The Technical Instructions require that training records be kept. The reason for retaining records is to ensure that those employees who are required to be trained have completed their training and that recurrency training can be scheduled in a timely manner. The inspection should review the retained training records to ensure that they contain the required details and that the process for managing recurrency training is in place and effective.

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APPENDIX B

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART S-7 OF THE SUPPLEMENT TO THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

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Part S-7

STATE'S RESPONSIBILITIES WITH RESPECT TO OPERATORS

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Chapter 7

ANNEX 6 INFORMATION RELEVANT TO STATE'S DANGEROUS GOODS RESPONSIBILITIES

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ATTACHMENT II TO CHAPTER 7

DANGEROUS GOODS MANUAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMME CHECKLISTS

Dangerous Goods Operations Manuals and Training Programme Approval

Purpose:

The purpose of this document is to provide the objectives and tasks a State should conduct during the review and approval of an operator's authority to transport dangerous goods.

Scope:

A State should inspect and monitor the dangerous goods transported by the operator within its governing authority. The inspection process should verify that an operator's dangerous goods procedures and practices adhere to State operating regulations and the Technical Instructions. This includes a method of validating an operator's authority to transport dangerous goods as cargo.

The attached documents include checklists for a State to reference when reviewing an operator's dangerous goods programme. While these checklists cannot replace the necessary dangerous goods oversight experience and training of State inspector personnel, States may wish to incorporate these checklists into their oversight programmes to ensure a consistent approach to approving dangerous goods manuals and training programmes. The checklists may also be of assistance to operators developing their dangerous goods manual and training programmes.

Attachment A: Dangerous Goods Manual - Approval-Assessment Checklist

Attachment B: Dangerous Goods Training Programme - Approval Assessment Checklist

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Attachment A

	Dangerous Goods Manual — Approval Assessment Checklist
	Attachment B
	Dangerous Goods Training Programme — Approval Assessment Checklist
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APPENDIX C

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART S-7, CHAPTER 7, ATTACHMENT B TO ATTACHMENT II OF THE SUPPLEMENT TO THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

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STATE'S RESPONSIBILITIES WITH RESPECT TO OPERATORS

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ATTACHMENT II TO CHAPTER 7

DANGEROUS GOODS MANUAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMME CHECKLISTS

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Attachment B

Dangerous Goods Training Programme — Approval Assessment Checklist

Name of the air carrier: Certification			on number:			State inspector:				
Certificate t	уре:	1 = 1	ying dangerous goods as cargo Carrying dangerous goods as cargo			☐ Passenger ☐ All cargo				
Category of	personnel be	ing trained	Type of training	Method of Delivery						
□ 6 □ 9	☐ 7 ☐ 10	□ 8 □ 11	☐ Initial ☐ Recurrent		☐ Face-	to-face	Correspond	<u>lence</u>	☐ Internet/CBT	
Reviewed b	y:	Date:		Appro	oved Asses	ssed_by:		Appro	oved: s	
Objective:										
This checklist is designed to assist the State in determining if the operator's dangerous goods training programme contains the information required in the Technical Instructions.										
Tasks:										
To meet the	e objective, the	State shoul	d accomplish the fo	ollowing	tasks:	•				

- 1. Identify the operator's representative that has overall responsibility for the dangerous goods training programme.
- 2. Review the content of the dangerous goods training programme.
- 3. Review the process for developing and maintaining instructor knowledge and ability to deliver the operator's dangerous goods training programme
- 34. Coordinate any corrections or additions as needed with the operator's representative and applicable State inspector.

Questions:

To meet the objective, the State should determine whether the dangerous goods training programme contains the following elements:

Ge	eneral philosophy	Applicable reference from the Technical	Yes	No	N/A
	,	Instructions			
1.	Purpose of dangerous goods training programme	1;4, Introductory Note, 1;4.1			
2.	Applicable regulatory materials	Foreword;1;1, 1;2			
3.	Use of the Technical Instructions	1;1.1			
4.	Definitions used in air transportation of dangerous goods	1;3.1			
5.	General transportation requirements	1;2			
6.	Transport by aircraft	1;1.1.1			
7.	Training requirements and record-keeping	1;4			
8.	Dangerous goods security	1;5			
Liı	nitations	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Dangerous goods forbidden on aircraft	1;2.1			
2.	Exempt dangerous goods	1;1.1.5, 1;2.2, 1;2.4, 1;2.5			
3.	Dangerous goods carried by passengers or crew	8;1.1			
Ge	eneral requirements for shippers	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Shippers specific responsibilities and compliance to regulations	1;1.1, 1;1.2, 5;1.4			
2.	Identify and recognize dangerous goods COMAT	1;2.2			
3.	Specific dangerous goods COMAT exceptions	1;2.2			
Lis	st of dangerous goods	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Purpose and use of the dangerous goods table	3;2			
2.	Proper shipping names	2;0.3, 3;1.2			
3.	Hazard class (definition)	2;0.2			
4.	UN/ID Numbers	2;0.3			
5.	Packing group	2;0.2.4			

Ge	eneral packing requirements	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Shipper's responsibilities	5;1.4			
2.	General packing requirements	5;1.1			
3.	Packing instructions and assignments	4;2			
4.	Excepted quantity exceptions	3;5.1			
5.	Limited quantity exceptions	3;4.1			
La	belling and marking	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Markings required on packages containing dangerous goods	5;2			
2.	Labels required on packages containing dangerous goods	5;3			
	ngerous goods transport documents and ner relevant documentation	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Shipper's certification requirements for dangerous goods	5;4.1.6			
2.	Transport document requirements	5:4, 7;4.11			
3.	Description of dangerous goods required on transport documents	5;4.1.4, 5;4.2			
4.	Provision of information	7;4			
Ac	ceptance procedures	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Acceptance and rejection procedures and requirements for dangerous goods	7;1			
2.	Passenger and cargo provision of information requirements	7;4.8, 7;5.1			
3.	Unit load device and package inspection	7;1.3, 7;1.4, 7;3.1			
Re	cognition of undeclared dangerous goods	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Hidden shipment indicators	7;6.1			
2.	Suspicious cargo and baggage awareness	7;6.1, 7;5.2.2			
3.	Reporting of accidents and incidents and undeclared or misdeclared dangerous goods	7;4.4, 7;4.5, 7;4.6, 7.4.7			
Sto	orage and loading procedures	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Unit load device and package inspection	7;2.8, 7;3.1.2			
2.	Stowage compatibility	7;2.2			
3.	Orientation of packages	7;2.3, 5;3.5.2			
4.	Securing packages	7;2.4.2			
5.	Loading of cargo aircraft	7;2.4.1			
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Pilots' notification	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
Notification to pilot-in-command	7;4.1			
2. Emergency response information	7;4.2, 7;4.3, 7;4.7			
Provisions for passengers and crew	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
Dangerous goods exceptions	1;2.4, 1;2.5, 8;1.1			
Emergency procedures	Applicable citations	Yes	No	N/A
Use of the Emergency Response Guidance for Aircraft Incidents Involving Dangerous Goods (Doc 9481) or similar guidance	7;4.9			
Test to verify understanding	Applicable citations	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	N/A
1. Test is appropriate for the category of employee	1;4.2.4			
2. Test is completed satisfactorily	1;4.2.4			
3. Test adequately covers syllabus areas				
<u>Training records</u>	Applicable citations	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>N/A</u>
1. Individual's name	<u>1;4.2.5 a)</u>			
2. Most recent training completion month	1;4.2.5 b)			
3. Description, copy or reference to training materials	1;4.2.5 c)			
Name and address of organization providing training	1;4.2.5 d)			
5. Evidence that shows a test has been completed	<u>1;4.2.5 e)</u>			
6. Records retained for 36 months	1;4.2.6			
Recurrent training	Applicable citations	Yes	<u>No</u>	N/A
Process to monitor and manage recurrent training of employees	1;4.2.3			
Programme Delivery — Face-to-face	Applicable citations	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Instructors have satisfactory technical knowledge and experience	1;4 Introductory Note			
Instructors ability to deliver programme material is satisfactory	1;4 Introductory Note			
3. Method to ensure consistent delivery of the dangerous goods training programme	1;4 Introductory Note			
Process to identify and train new instructors in the training programme	1;4 Introductory Note			

Programme Delivery — Correspondence/ Online/Computer-based	Applicable citations	Yes	<u>No</u>	N/A
Persons responsible for the content of the dangerous goods programme material have appropriate technical knowledge	1;4 Introductory Note			
Persons responsible for the delivery of the dangerous goods training material	1;4 Introductory Note			
3. The programme material is presented logically	1;4 Introductory Note			
4. The material is presented in an informative and stimulating manner	1;4 Introductory Note			
5. The student is able to ask questions and seek further explanation about the programme material	1;4 Introductory Note			
6. There are self-check assessments in the material that permit students to self-evaluate during the progress of the course	1;4 Introductory Note			
7. There are robust mechanisms to prevent students cheating and taking short-cuts	1;4 Introductory Note			
Comments:				

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