



**DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)
MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

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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 2009/2010 Edition

2.5: Part 5 — Shipper's Responsibilities

ORIENTATION LABEL SPECIFICATIONS

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SUMMARY

This paper proposes that Part 5;3.5.2 of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* be amended to refer to ISO Standard 780-1985 in relation to orientation labels.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Part 5;3.5.2 of the Technical Instructions indicates the specifications for handling labels and states that the minimum label dimensions are shown in the applicable Figures 5-23 to 5-25 and 5-27 to 5-29. However, for package orientation labels, Part 5;3.5.2.11b), Part 5;3.3.2 and Packing Instruction 916 of the Technical Instructions allow for labels that meet the specifications of ISO Standard 780-1985 to be used as an alternative.

1.2 ISO Standard 780-1985 (replaced by ISO Standard 780-1997, which contains the same wording) states that the size or shape of the package may necessitate use of larger or smaller sizes of label.

1.3 Therefore, the text of Part 5;3.5.2 is not complete in that it does not provide for the specifications in the ISO Standard to be used for orientations labels. It is suggested that this could be rectified by a simple addition.

2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to consider the following amendment to Part 5;3.5.2 of the Technical Instructions:

3.5.2 Handling label specifications

An illustration of each of the handling labels showing the approved design and colour is given in Figures 5-23 to 5-25 and Figures 5-27 to 5-29. The minimum label dimensions are shown in the figures; ~~h~~However;

a) labels having dimensions not smaller than half of those indicated may be used on packages containing infectious substances when the packages are of dimensions such that they can only bear smaller labels;

b) orientation labels, may meet the specification of either Figure 5-25 or ISO Standard 780-1985.

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