



**WORKING PAPER**

**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 2015-2016 Edition**  
**2.7 : Part 7 — Operator's Responsibilities**

**VISIBILITY OF ULD TAG**

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**SUMMARY**

This working paper proposes to add a note regarding to the visibility of information on a ULD tag when placed in a protective pouch.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Unit load device (ULD) identification tags are commonly used. Part 7;2.8 does not specify how to attach the ULD identification tag to the ULD but does require that the identification tag be clearly displayed on the exterior of the ULD. The identification tag is usually attached by a metal wire or inserted in a transparent pouch affixed to the ULD to protect it from the elements.

1.2 We have also observed during ramp inspections that too often these protective pouches are so worn out or are covered with various labels, preventing the information to be visible (see Figure 1 in the appendix).

1.3 As no information relative to the presence of these pouches is present in the Technical Instructions, we believe that a note should be added.

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

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to consider the addition of the text to Part 7;2.8 as shown in the appendix of this working paper.

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**APPENDIX**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART 7 OF THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS**

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**Part 7**

**OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

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**2.8 IDENTIFICATION OF UNIT LOAD DEVICES CONTAINING DANGEROUS GOODS**

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2.8.3 If the unit load device contains packages bearing the "Cargo aircraft only" label, either that label must be visible or the tag must indicate that the unit load device can be loaded only on a cargo aircraft.

2.8.4 The tag must be removed from the unit load device immediately after the dangerous goods have been unloaded.

Note.— When the identification tag is placed inside a protective pouch, the information on the tag should be clearly visible through the pouch's window.

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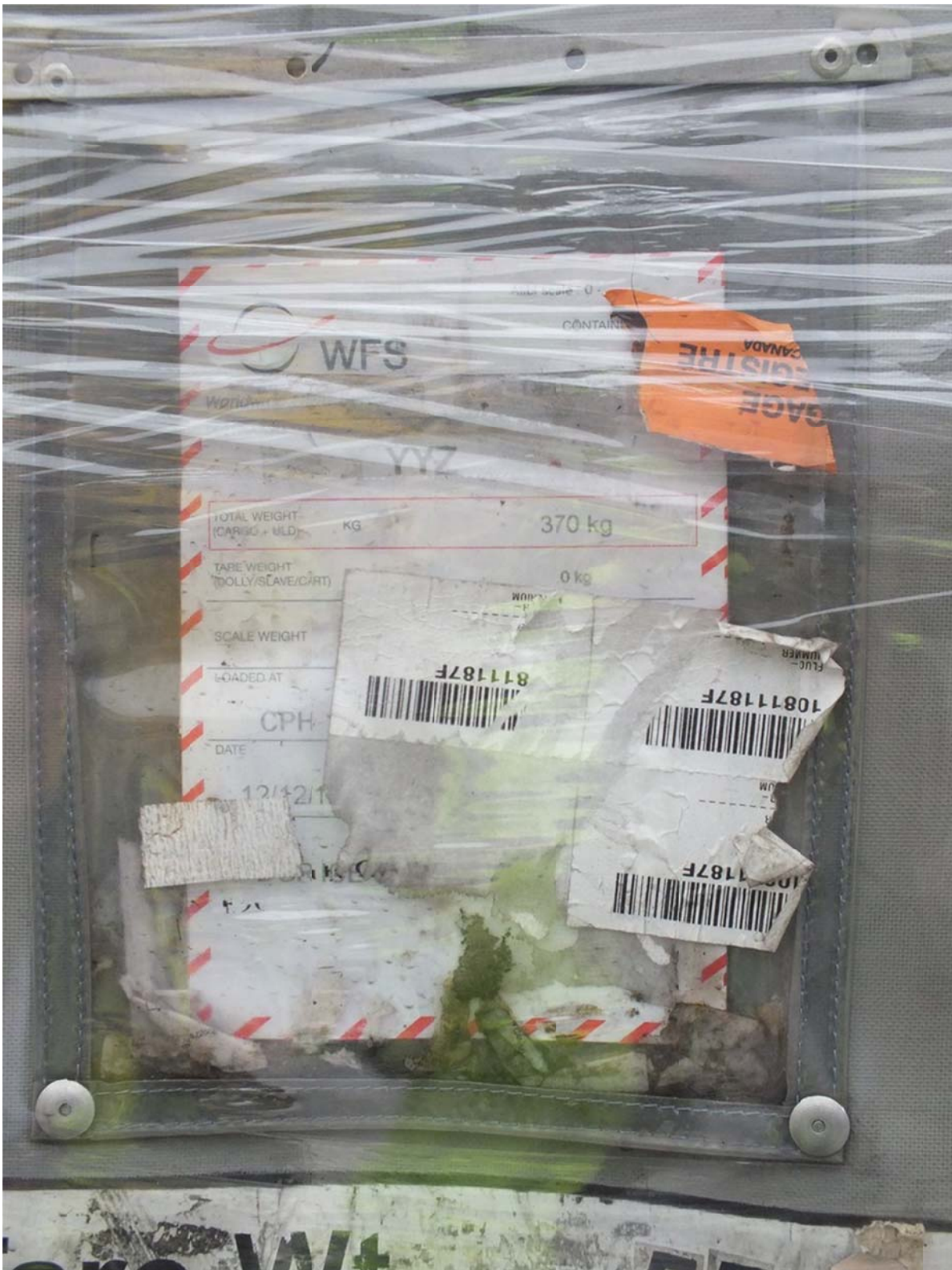


Figure 1 - Obscured information on a ULD tag inside a protective pouch

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