Joint Meeting of the RID Safety Committee and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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Joint Meeting Standards Working Group Report on the first meeting, Bonn, Germany 14 - 15 January 2003

- 1. As agreed upon by the Joint Meeting during its autumn meeting 2002 (see TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/90, para. 22) a first meeting of the group was hosted by the German Ministry of Transport, Construction and Housing (BMVBW). This exceptional meeting outside the meeting cycle of the Joint Meeting was deemed necessary in view of the large number of published or almost published Standards candidate to be referenced in the 2005 Edition of ADR/RID. Member States were asked to nominate experts for the meeting and to transmit comments.
- The Members of ADR/RID were officially invited, where possible by e-mail or fax/letter, dated Dec. 12, 2002. The relevant standards, ready to be checked for conformity with the provisions were distributed by CEN-MC by e-mail in parallel, beginning of December.
- Incoming comments were consolidated, allocated to the standards commented, and circulated to the contributing parties by the vice-chairman of the Working Group, Mr. Pierre Wolfs, the CEN Consultant. Comments in writing were received from Finland, Germany, Sweden and AEGPL.
- 4. Due to sickness of the chairman of the Working Group, Dr Schulz-Forberg, the meeting was chaired by the vice-chairman.
- 11 Experts from 6 ADR/RID Member States and 3 representatives of CEN attended the meeting - see attendance list. They were welcomed by Mr. Rein, Head of the dangerous goods branch of the German BMVBW and vice-chairman of the Joint Meeting.

- 6. The scope of the work was considered, based on the procedures of cooperation, as adopted by Joint meeting and as laid down in Annex 3 to the above-mentioned report. The group was aware that checking the conformity of the submitted standards with the provisions of ADR/RID was the main task of the group and that it should refrain from discussing the technical contents of the standards.
- 7. The standards to be checked for conformity with ADR/RID had been compiled by CEN-MC in two lists one with 14 standards in stage 4 (published submitted for reference) and one with 10 standards in stage 3 (at final vote stage).
- 8. It was agreed to document the recommendations of the working group in the form of tables for any of the standards, in line with the structure of the table in 6.2.2., see <u>Annex</u> 1 to this report. These recommendations indicate, whether or not a standard, as agreed by the group is in conformity with the relevant provisions of ADR/RID, in full or in part, where the reference shall be inserted and whether actions are requested from CEN.
- 9. For some standards the group identified that footnotes should be inserted in the text of the references in ADR/RID in order to underline prevailance of the ADR/RID provisions over the requirements of the standards with regards to the responsibilities of competent persons/bodies. It was finally decided to recommend a general note in that effect that would be inserted in the beginning of the tables of standards in 6.2.2 and 6.8.2.6 (see proposal 1 in Annex 1).
- 10. The group became aware that for some standards (such as the ones for composite cylinders), ADR/RID includes only limited provisions and that further essential requirements could be added to ADR/RID. This was deemed to be a task for interested ADR/RID member states.
- 11. The working group has observed, that in the normative reference of some standards, reference is made to preliminary standards. It was discussed whether this should be acceptable. The working group recommends that this should be acceptable, if the character of the normative reference is supportive in these standards. However, if the

content of the normative reference is also related to the provisions of ADR/RID, then this should also require a conformity check by the working group.

- 12. The working group agreed upon the following working procedures:
 - Further standards will be sent by CEN-MC by e-mail (some members are still difficult to be reached by e-mail). The next dispatch is to be expected shortly
 - Comments to the conformity of these standards with ADR/RID should be submitted to the chairman and vice-chairman of the working group, by end of February, if possible. Comments could be sent to the working group members in parallel. (List in Annex 2)
 - The comments will be consolidated by the vice-chairman for the next meeting.
 Working group member will be provided with this document about 1 week before the meeting.
- 13. In view of the limited time available during the sessions of the Joint Meeting, the group would welcome the authorization by the Joint Meeting to hold additional meetings outside the meeting cycles of the Joint Meeting, if deemed necessary.
- 14. As an exceptionally procedure, Member States that could not attend the 1st meeting are invited to submit comments by email before 1st of March to the vice-chairman on the standards that were evaluated during the 1st meeting of the working group. Written comments will be evaluated at the beginning of the 2nd meeting of the working group in March.

Annex 1 to the report of the 1st Meeting of the Joint Meeting Standards Working Group Proposals to amend ADR/RID

A. General

Proposal 1: the WG propose to have a general note above the table of 6.2.2 and 6.8.2.6 as follows:

"Persons or bodies identified in standards as having responsibilities in accordance with ADR/RID shall meet the mandatory requirements in this chapter"

<u>Justification</u>: the WG group was of this opinion that in several standards, the meaning of the roles and responsibilities of competent/approved/inspection bodies should be aligned to the proper description as per the ADR/RID.

B: new references to be added in the table of 6.2. 2

B.1: for cylinders

Proposal 2

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs
EN 12 245:	Transportable gas cylinders – Fully	6.2.1.1and 6.2.1.5
2002	wrapped composite cylinders	
	Note: this standard shall not be used for	
	LPG service	

Justification:

A dedicated standard for LPG service (prEN 14427) is at Public Enquiry stage with more stringent requirements.

Proposal 3

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs
EN 12257:	Transportable gas cylinders – Seamless, hoop	6.2.1.1and 6.2.1.5
2002	wrapped composite cylinders – Specification	

		sections and para-
		graphs
EN 12 807:2001	Transportable refillable brazed steel cylinders	6.2.1.1and 6.2.1.5
(except Annex A)	for liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) – Design	
	and construction	

Action for CEN: an amendment of this standard shall be issued to change in clause 7.3.2 the reference to Dir 94/55/EC to "the applicable transport regulations".

Proposal 5

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections and paragraphs
EN 12 205:2001	Transportable gas cylinders – Non refil- lable metallic gas cylinders	

Proposal 6

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-
		sections and
		paragraphs
EN 1964-	Transportable gas cylinders – Specification for the de-	6.2.1.1and 6.2.1.5
2:2002	sign and construction of refillable transportable seamless	
	steel gas cylinders of capacity from 0,5 litre up to 150	
	litre – Part 2: Tensile strength (Rm max) > 1100 N/mm ²	

Action for CEN: the WG recommends that for the next revision of this standard, the symbols and terms (e.g. Rm) though not in use in the relevant chapter 6.2 of ADR/RID should be aligned with those that are in use in chapter 6.8 of the ADR/RID;

Reference	Title of document	Applicable
		sub-sections
		and para-

		graphs
EN 13 293:	Transportable gas cylinders –Specification for the design	6.2.1.1and
2002	and construction of refillable transportable seamless	6.2.1.5
	normalised carbon manganese steel gas cylinders of wa-	
	ter capacity up to 0,5 litre for compressed, liquefied and	
	dissolved gases and up to 1 litre for carbon dioxide	

B.2: for maintenance

Proposal 8

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-
		sections and para-
		graphs
EN 1968:2002	Transportable gas cylinders –Periodic inspec-	6.2.1.6
(except Annex B)	tion and testing of seamless steel gas cylin-	
	ders (excluding LPG)	

Proposal 9

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-
		sections and para-
		graphs
EN 1802:2002	Transportable gas cylinders – Periodic in-	6.2.1.6
(except Annex B)	spection and testing of seamless aluminium	
	gas cylinders	

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-
		sections and para-
		graphs

EN 12 863:2002	Transportable gas cylinders – Periodic inspec-	6.2.1.6
	tion and maintenance of dissolved acetylene	
	cylinders	
	Note: in this standard "initial inspection" is to	
	be understood as the "first periodic inspection"	
	after final approval of a new acetylene cylinder.	

Comment : the WG has clarified that the mandatory inspection periodicities (at 5 or 10 years) apply after this additional first inspection

Proposal 11

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub- sections and para-
		graphs
EN 1803:2002	Transportable gas cylinders – Periodic inspec-	6.2.1.6
(except Annex B)	tion and testing of welded steel gas cylinders	
	(excluding LPG)	

Proposal 12

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-
		sections and para-
		graphs
EN ISO 11623:2002	Transportable gas cylinders – Periodic	6.2.1.6
(except clause 4)	inspection and testing of composite gas	
	cylinders	

<u>Comment</u>: Clause 4 is excluded from the reference to that standard because the WG was of the opinion that testing periodicities for composite cylinders should still be defined by the competent authorities (ref P200(8)).

B.3: for closures

EN 13	Specifications and testing for	6.2.2 valves	6.2.1.1
152:2001	liquefied petroleum gas		
	(LPG) – cylinder valves-self	4.1.6.10	4.1.6.4 (d)
Clause 5.3.8	closing		
of EN			
13152:2001/			
A1:2003			

<u>Comment</u>: an amendment to this standard is at the formal vote stage to cover the testing of the valves for the use at low temperatures in order to satisfy art. 7.2 of the TPED

Proposal 14

EN 13	Specifications and testing for	6.2.2 valves	6.2.1.1
153:2001	liquefied petroleum gas		
	(LPG) – cylinder valves-	4.1.6.10	4.1.6.4 (d
Clause 5.3.8	manually operated		
of EN			
13153:2001/			
A1:2003			

<u>Comment</u>: an amendment to this standard is at the formal vote stage to cover the testing of the valves for the use at low temperatures in order to satisfy art. 7.2 of the TPED

C: new references to be added in the table of 6.8.2.6 of ADR only

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs
EN 12493:2001	Welded steel tanks for liquefied petro-	6.8.2.1(with the exception of 6.8.2.1.17);
(except Annex C)	leum gas (LPG) – Road tankers – De-	6.8.2.4.1 (with the exclusion of the leak- proofness test); 6.8.2.5.1, 6.8.3.1 and
	sign and manufacture	6.8.3.5.1
	Note: Road tankers is to be understood	
	in the meaning of "fixed tanks" and	
	"demountable tanks" as per ADR	

Proposal 16

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs
EN 12	Equipping of LPG road tankers	6.8.3.2 (with the exception of
252:2000	Note: Road tankers is to be understood in	6.8.3.2.3)
	the meaning of "fixed tanks" and "de-	
	mountable tanks" as per ADR	

Proposal 17

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs
EN 13 530-2:2002	Cryogenic vessels – Large transport-	6.8.2.1 (with the exception of
	able vacuum insulated vessels – Part	6.8.2.1.17), 6.8.2.4 , 6.8.3.1 and
	2: Design, fabrication, inspection and	6.8.3.4
	testing	

<u>Comment</u>: The standard considers "cold stretching" or "pressure strengthening" as a method to increase the mechanical characteristics of the vessel. "Pressure strengthening" of assemblies in stainless steels is accepted by all pressure codes in Europe for static and transportable vessels. The standard will harmonize the existing practices.

Action for CEN: CEN will initiate an amendment to correct the cross-reference to paragraph c) in 4.2.7.1 and to clarify that Class B shall be used in the standards for X-ray examination referred to in 6.3.1

Reference	Title of document	Applicable sub-sections
		and paragraphs
EN 13 316:	Tanks for transporting dangerous goods – Ser-	6.8.2.2 and 6.8.2.4.1
2002	vice equipment –Pressure balanced footvalve	
EN 13 308:	Tanks for transport of dangerous goods – Ser-	6.8.2.2 and 6.8.2.4.1
2002	vice equipment – Non pressure balanced foot-	
	valve	
EN 13 314:	Tanks for transport of dangerous goods – Fill	6.8.2.2 and 6.8.2.4.1
2002	hole cover	
EN 13	Tanks for transporting dangerous goods – Ser-	6.8.2.2 and 6.8.2.4.1
317:2002	vice equipment – Manhole cover assembly	

<u>Comment</u>: these four standard refer extensively to the requirements of prEN 12266-1 and prEN 12266-2. These standards will be circulated by CEN to the members of the WG who will have an opportunity to raise objections before the next meeting of the WG during the JM in March 2003.

D: Other standards

D.1: The WG accepted the reference to the following standards provided no modification to the technical/legal requirements are introduced in the published texts.

Reference	Title of document	Where to re-
		fer in
		ADR/RID
pr EN	Non-refillable metallic gas cartridges for liquefied petro-	6.2.4.3
417:1992 rev	leum gases, with or without a valve, for use with portable	
2003	appliances – Construction, inspection, testing and marking	

Reference	Title of document	Where to refer in	Applicable subsections and
		ADR/RID	paragraphs
prEN 14 189	Transportable gas cylinders – Inspec-	6.2.2	6.2.1.6
	tion and maintenance of cylinder		
	valves at time of periodic inspection		
	of gas cylinders		

D.2: The WG didn't consider the following documents since they are related to provisions of the Model Regulations. The UN Committee should decide first on the future of these standards

Reference	Title of document	Where to refer in
		ADR/RID
prEN ISO 16	Packaging – Transport packaging for dangerous	6.1
104	goods - Test methods	
prEN ISO 16	Packaging – Transport packaging for dangerous	6.5
467	goods – Test methods for IBCs	

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