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#### Standards

### Update of references to general purpose standards

#### Transmitted by the European Committee for Standardisation (CEN)<sup>1, 2</sup>

1. At its September 2012 session the representative of CEN introduced informal document INF.26 together with the information that CEN-CENELEC Management Centre had established a system of systematic review of European standard references in RID/ADR/ADN. He announced that CEN would submit a document which would detail proposed amended references and indicate extent and nature of the revision and its potential to conflict with RID/ADR/ADN. This document is deemed to provide this information.
2. The table in informal document INF.5 lists all EN, EN IEC, EN ISO and EN ISO/ICE standards as referenced in RID/ADR/ADN 2013 in numerical order of the existing reference number together with the revised version or its replacement, title, scope of the standard and information on the extend of amendments, the reference texts of RID/ADR/ADN and the statement of the CEN Consultant on the compliance of the new references with RID/ADR/ADN.
3. Meanwhile CEN-CENELEC Management Centre has uploaded copies of the revised versions of those standards or of its replacements on the dedicated CEN webpage.
4. The members of the Joint Meeting are invited to take note of the suggested amendments. Comments may be sent to the CEN consultant at karol\_wieser@yahoo.de before 8 March 2013. All comments will be discussed by the working group on standards of the Joint Meeting during the March 2013 session.

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010-2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para.106, ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.7(c)).

<sup>2</sup> Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2013/14.

5. It is recalled that this initiative by CEN concerns EN, EN IEC, EN ISO and EN ISO/ICE standards only and that a series of ISO standards is to be updated as well. However, this effort will need to be managed by the Joint Meeting in cooperation with ISO.

6. Attention is drawn to efforts by Germany to review the adequacy and actuality of the references to standards in ADN. This may have impact on the suggested amendments for references to general purpose standards in ADN as proposed in the annexed table.

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