



WORKING PAPER

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

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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 2011-2012 Edition

TRAINING OF DANGEROUS GOODS INSPECTORS

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SUMMARY

This paper proposes the addition of requirements for the training of dangerous goods inspectors in Part 1;4 of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284).

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to amend 1;4.1.1 and Table 1-4 of the Technical Instructions as presented in the appendix.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In 2007, an analysis of the audit results for the period of April 2005 to May 2007 for the ICAO Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP) concluded that “Half of the States have not addressed the issue of the transport of dangerous goods by air, as they have not designated and trained personnel to perform dangerous goods inspections and oversee dangerous goods programmes”. Through assistance programs to various States it became apparent that while the requirement to have trained dangerous goods inspectors is present, nowhere is that training defined.

1.2 Note that Chapter 10 of Annex 18 — *The Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* states: “Dangerous goods training programmes shall be established and updated as provided for in the Technical Instructions”

1.3 While being aware of the existence of the working group on the training of dangerous goods inspectors, this paper proposed, in the meantime, to have some training requirements included in the Technical instructions.

1.4 Since Table 1-4 defines the content of training courses and dangerous goods inspectors should be trained on all aspects of the transportation of dangerous goods by air, we note that the only key covering all aspects is Key 6.

APPENDIX

AMENDMENTS TO THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part 1

GENERAL

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Chapter 4

TRAINING

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4.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES

4.1.1 Initial and recurrent dangerous goods training programmes must be established and maintained by or on behalf of:

- a) shippers of dangerous goods, including packers and persons or organizations undertaking the responsibilities of the shipper;
- b) operators;
- c) ground handling agencies which perform, on behalf of the operator, the act of accepting, handling, loading, unloading, transferring or other processing of cargo, mail or stores;
- d) ground handling agencies located at an airport which perform, on behalf of the operator, the act of processing passengers;
- e) agencies, not located at an airport, which perform, on behalf of the operator, the act of checking in passengers;
- f) freight forwarders; and |
- g) agencies engaged in the security screening of passengers and their baggage and/or cargo, mail or stores; and |
- h) dangerous goods inspectors |

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Table 1-4. Content of training courses for operators carrying dangerous goods as cargo

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KEY

1 — Shippers and persons undertaking the responsibilities of shippers

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6 — Dangerous Goods Inspectors. Operator's and ground handling agent's staff accepting dangerous goods |

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