DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-THIRD MEETING

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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 2013-2014 Edition

APPLICATION OF THE LIMITED QUANTITIES MARK

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SUMMARY

This working paper proposes a change to the limited quantity marking specification to align with similar provisions elsewhere in the Technical Instructions.

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to modify the text associated with Figure 3-1 as presented in the appendix to this working paper.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The limited quantity marking specification currently permits smaller than the minimum size markings when the size of the package so requires. It is believed that the intention is to permit the application of a smaller marking only when the size of the packaging used does not allow the use of the full sized mark.
- 1.2 The language used in Figure 3-1 however differs from that used in Part 5;3.5.1.1 a) of the Technical Instructions, which permits the application of smaller hazard labels on packages containing infectious substances. The use of slightly different language for what is essentially the same reason only serves to introduce confusion in the minds of shippers, airline acceptance personnel and others.
- 1.3 It is therefore proposed align the text that provides for reduced size limited quantity marking text with the text used in Part 5;3.1.1 a) of the Technical Instructions.

APPENDIX

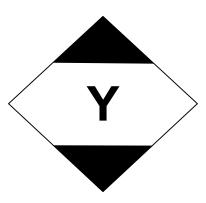
Part 3

DANGEROUS GOODS LIST, SPECIAL PROVISIONS AND LIMITED AND EXCEPTED QUANTITIES

Chapter 4

DANGEROUS GOODS IN LIMITED QUANTITIES

4.5 PACKAGE MARKING



Top and bottom portions and line must be black, centre area white or suitable contrasting background

The symbol "Y" must be placed in the centre of the mark and must be clearly visible

Minimum dimension: 100 mm × 100 mm
Minimum width of line forming diamond: 2 mm
If the size of the packages are of such dimensions
that they can only bear a smaller mark-so requires,
the dimension may be reduced to be not less than
50 mm × 50 mm provided the marking remains
clearly visible

Figure 3-1. Limited quantities mark