



**WORKING PAPER**

**DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)  
WORKING GROUP MEETING (DGP-WG/17)**

**Montreal, 24 to 28 April 2017**

**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 2019-2020 Edition**

**2.5: Part 5 — Shipper's Responsibilities**

**AFFIXION OF CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY LABEL ON SMALL PACKAGES**

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**SUMMARY**

This working paper proposes an exception to the requirement for affixing the “cargo aircraft only” label on the same surface of the package where the hazard label(s) are located, in case the package dimensions are inadequate.

**Action by the DGP-WG:** The DGP is invited to consider that it is not always possible to affix all required labels on the same surface of the package when affixing the “cargo aircraft only” label and to agree to the amendment proposed in appendix to this working paper.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 According to the 2017-2018 Edition of the Technical Instructions, affixing hazard label(s) on the same surface of the package near the proper shipping name is mandatory unless the package dimensions are inadequate and they do not cover other label or marking (Part 5;3.2.8).

1.2 At the same time, when a “cargo aircraft only” label is required, it must be affixed “on the same surface of the package near the hazard labels” regardless of whether or not the package dimensions, mentioned above, are adequate (Part 5;3.2.12 a) 3)).

1.3 Due to the lack of a basic provision regarding the package dimensions, a shipper/packer may be unable to meet the requirement of Part 5;3.2.12 a) 3) with respect to affixing a “cargo aircraft only” label on a small package.

1.4 At the last DGP Working Group Meeting (DGP-WG/16, Montréal, 17 to 21 October 2016), two options for amending the Technical Instructions to address this problem were discussed (see paragraph 3.2.5.4 of the DGP-WG/17 Report). There was some support regarding the first option specifying that the provision applied only when the package dimensions were adequate.

## 2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

2.1 The DGP is invited to take into account that it is not always possible to affix all the required labels on the same surface of the package when affixing the “cargo aircraft only” label and to agree to the amendment proposed in the amendment to this working paper.

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APPENDIX

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART 5 OF THE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part 5

SHIPPER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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Chapter 3

LABELLING

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3.2 APPLICATION OF LABELS

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3.2.12 In addition to the class hazard labels specified in 3.1, handling labels must also be affixed to packages of dangerous goods as follows:

- a) the "Cargo aircraft only" label (Figure 5-28) must be affixed:
  - 1) when the package containing the dangerous goods may only be transported on a cargo aircraft. However, where the packing instruction number and the permitted quantity per package are identical for passenger and cargo aircraft, the "Cargo aircraft only" label should not be used;
  - 2) to each Type B(M) package of radioactive material and any freight container containing such a Type B(M) package;
  - 3) on the same surface of the package near the hazard labels If the package dimensions are not adequate, the "Cargo aircraft only" label may be affixed on the nearest surface of the package provided the package is placed in an overpack with the "Cargo aircraft only" label affixed on the same surface of the overpack near the hazard labels;

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