



WORKING PAPER

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2.1: Part 1 — General

TRAINING OF SECURITY PERSONNEL

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SUMMARY

This working paper informs the working group on the implementation in The Netherlands of the additional training requirements for security staff that will be incorporated in the 2009/2010 Edition of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284).

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 DGP-WG07 agreed to extend the training requirements for dangerous goods for security staff and review the Table 1-4 of the Technical Instructions. This decision was based on recommendations made by the Aviation Security Panel (AVSECP) regarding new threats using various liquid materials that would be carried onboard the aircraft for assembling into an explosive device. Presently the training requirements are limited to security screeners but will be extended to include supervisory security staff to be trained on certain aspects of the transport of dangerous goods. The ICAO training package for security personnel will be amended accordingly. The objective of this information paper is to inform the ICAO Member States on the way the Netherlands has implemented the additional training requirements for security personnel in the national legislation. As in many other Member States the appropriate authority for Aviation Security in the Netherlands and the competent authority responsible for the implementation of the changes in the dangerous goods training requirements for security staff are different ones. Therefore a correct implementation is not always self-evident.

2. IMPLEMENTATION IN THE NETHERLANDS

2.1 The implementation trajectory of the changes in training requirements for security personnel requires the cooperation of the appropriate authority for Aviation Security in the Netherlands (the Ministry of Justice) and the competent authority responsible for the Safe Transport of Dangerous goods (The Ministry of Transport).

2.2 The initial step taken by the Netherlands Ministry of Transport to implement the new training requirements was to approach the appropriate authority for Security and provide detailed information on the additional training requirements that were accepted in the Technical Instructions and will be enforced from 1 September 2009 onward.

2.3 After discussions it became clear that the recent, existing ICAO training requirements for security personnel were insufficiently incorporated into the current national training programmes, due to a lack of awareness of the appropriate authorities and airport management. Consequently the impression by the appropriate authorities, the airports and the security training entities was that quite some "new" requirements were imposed due to this arrear in implementation. However, after explaining the necessity, this omission will be corrected and action has been taken to improve this situation.

2.4 The Ministry of Transport has amended — in cooperation with the appropriate security authorities — the regulations on the national training requirements for security personnel. It was agreed that the Ministry of Transport will be responsible for the particular part of the training programme for security personnel addressing the transport of Dangerous Goods by air and consequently the approval of this part of the training programme as developed by the approved security training institutes.

2.5 A specialized organization, under contract of The Ministry of Transport has developed a web-based training module as basic example for the approved training institutes, which could be considered as means of compliance with the new security training requirements. This training module has been approved by the Ministry of Transport and the training organizations can get access to this module against minimum costs. All other requirements have been incorporated. Candidates that successfully conclude the training module will receive a certificate from the organization that is responsible for the development and maintenance of the training module. The fee for accessing the module will cover the costs to maintain the training module up-to-date and to issue the certificate to candidates that have passed the test for the specific Dangerous Goods part of the programme.

2.6 In the Netherlands the implementation of aviation security measures on airports is basically the responsibility of the airport management. They have contracted a number of governmental approved specialized private entities to provide the required security services.

2.7 After the Ministry of Transport and the Ministry of Justice agreed on the amendment the national requirements for the security training programmes, the concept was forwarded, including information on the background of the proposed changes, to the airports for any comments.

2.8 This proved a successful way to provide information and getting more understanding about the new requirements.

2.9 The airports have informed the contracted security institutes on the future changes in the training requirements. They were requested to indicate whether they intend to make use of the approved web-based training module or would prefer to develop their own training module. Individually developed training module should be presented to the Ministry of Transport for approval and the training institute

must be able to issue a certificate to candidates that successfully conclude the specific dangerous goods part of the security training to fulfill the requirements.

3. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

3.1 The DGP-WG is invited to:

- a) take note of the implementation trajectory that has been completed in The Netherlands. The Netherlands is prepared to provide detailed information on the developed web based training module to interested Member States; and
- b) exchange information on their implementation efforts in this area.

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