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Proposal transmitted by the International Union of Railways (UIC)

Introduction

UIC informs the standing working group that UIC leaflet 221, which is referenced in RID 3.2.2 (Table B), was superseded by International Railway Solution (IRS) 20221 in August 2023. The new IRS is in substance the same as the Leaflet it superseded. The amended reference does not affect the content of footnote 1 in RID 3.2.2 or the column for NHM codes in Table B.

Proposal

2. The RID Committee of Experts' standing working group is requested to change the reference in RID 3.2.2 from "UIC leaflet 221" to "IRS 20221 published by UIC". Until the publication of the 2025 edition of RID, purchasers of the leaflet will be directed automatically to the new IRS on the UIC website.

Background information

3. The column for NHM codes in Table B is for information. It establishes a link between UN coding for dangerous goods and the NHM classification used in the rail sector.