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**RID:** Exchange of experiences for recognized experts in accordance with paragraph  
**6.8.2.4.6 of RID**  
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**Subject:** Uniform tariff of fees for tests and inspections in accordance with RID 6.8.2.4  
and 6.8.3.4

**Proposed topic for discussion transmitted by Germany**

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**The problem**

The mutual recognition of experts in accordance with RID 6.8.2.4.6 by the Member States leads to competition in carrying out the tests and inspections on the shells of tank-wagons. The basis for the tests and inspections in the harmonised standard EN 12972:2001; hence a uniform level of safety is required.

It should also be possible to pay for uniform tests and inspections carried out by experts using a standard set of fees. This is not possible at present.

**Proposed solution**

Draw up a uniform tariff of fees for the tests and inspections required under RID.

**Justification**

Avoids distortion of competition resulting from different test fees.

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