Competent Authorities in Germany
(Addresses of competent authorities for the application of RID and of notified bodies in accordance with RID 1.8.4)

(1) The Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Bau- und Wohnungswesen, Robert-Schuman-Platz 1, 53175 Bonn is competent for

1. concluding agreements on temporary derogations in accordance with 1.5.1, including with Member States of the European Union in accordance with Article 6, para. 12, second and third sub-paragraphs of Directive 96/49/EC;

2. the technical requirements in accordance with 6.2.3, 6.7.2.2.1 first sentence, 6.7.3.2.1 first sentence, 6.7.4.2.1 first sentence, 6.7.5.2.9, 6.8.2.1.4 and 6.8.3.7 first sentence.

(2) The Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung, Unter den Eichen 87, 12205 Berlin is competent for

1. issuing the approval for the carriage of samples of chemicals in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirement 250;

2. the assignment of explosive substances and articles containing explosives and the approval in writing of the conditions of carriage in accordance with 2.2.1.1.3 and assignment in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirements 16, 266, 271, 272, 278 and 288, as well as the approval in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirement 645, unless it is a matter for the military;

3. recognition of the comparable methods in accordance with 2.2.2.1.5 and the approval of the type of porous material in accordance with 6.2.1.1.2;

4. approving higher quantities of lithium and equivalent tests in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirement 636 (a);

5. classification and assignment in accordance with 2.2.41.1.13 and 3.3.1, special requirement 271 and for establishing the conditions in accordance with 4.1.7.2.2 and for the authorization for carriage in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirement 272;

6. establishing the conditions for carrying 3292 batteries or cells in accordance with 2.2.43.1.4 and 3.3.1, special requirement 239;

7. the classification and assignment of organic peroxides in accordance with 2.2.52.1.8;

8. the inspection, the recognition of testing bodies and experts for inspections, the issuing of marking and the design type approval of packagings, IBCs and large packagings in accordance with 4.1.1.3, 6.1.1.2, 6.1.3, 6.1.5, 6.3.1.1, 6.3.2.7, 6.5.1.1.2, 6.5.1.1.3, 6.5.1.6.4, 6.5.1.6.6, 6.5.1.6.7, 6.5.2 and 6.5.4;

9. the authorization for carriage in accordance with 4.1.5.15, the packaging approval in accordance with 4.1.5.18, the packaging authorization in accordance with 4.1.4.1 Packing Instruction P 101 and the approval of the container/compartment design type in accordance with 7.5.2.2 footnote (a), provided it is not a matter for the military;

10. the authorization to carry organic peroxides in IBCs in accordance with 4.1.7.2.2 and establishing conditions in accordance with 6.8.4 (c), special provision TA 2;

11. deciding on the mixed packing of articles of Class 1, compatibility group D or E with their own means of initiation in accordance with 4.1.10.4, special provision MP 21, provided it is not a matter for the military;
12. the testing, the issuing of the marking and the design type approval of portable tanks, tank-containers and multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with Chapters 4.2, 4.3, 6.7 and 6.8, with reference to 4.3.3.2.5, in agreement with the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt;

13. the testing and approval of special form radioactive material in accordance with 5.1.5.3.1 in conjunction with the first sentence of 6.4.22.5 and the confirmation in accordance with 6.4.22.6 (a) and the design type approval of packagings for non-fissile or fissile excepted uranium hexafluoride in accordance with 5.1.5.3.1 in conjunction with 6.4.22.1 and the confirmation in accordance with 6.4.22.6 (a);

14. the testing and design type approval of low dispersible radioactive material in accordance with 5.1.5.3.1 in conjunction with the second sentence of 6.4.22.5 and the confirmation in accordance with 6.4.22.6 (a) in agreement with the Bundesamt für Strahlenschutz;

15. the recognition and supervision of quality assurance programmes for the manufacture and testing of packagings, IBCs and large packagings as well as the recognition of test and inspection bodies for testing the functioning and effectiveness of quality assurance programmes in accordance with 6.1.1.4, 6.5.1.6.1 and 6.6.1.2 and for the periodic inspection of IBCs in accordance with 6.5.1.6.4;

16. the approval of new aluminium alloys in accordance with 6.2.1.5.2;

17. the approval of the test procedure for aluminium alloys in accordance with 6.2.3.2.2;

18. the design type approval of packages for radioactive materials requiring approval in accordance with Chapter 6.4;

19. the monitoring of quality assurance measures for the construction, manufacture, testing, documentation and inspection of packages for radioactive materials requiring approval in accordance with Chapter 6.4 in conjunction with 1.7.3;

20. the recognition and supervision of quality assurance programmes for the design, manufacture, testing, documentation, use, maintenance and inspection of packages for radioactive materials that have to be tested in accordance with Chapter 6.4 in conjunction with 1.7.3;

21. cases in which in accordance with Chapter 2.2, 3.3 – except 3.3.1, special requirement 283 –, 4.1 – except 4.1.4.1 Packing Instructions P 200, P 201 and P 203 –, 4.2 – except 4.2.1.8, 4.2.2.5, 4.2.3.4 –, 4.3 – except 4.3.3.2.5 –, 6.7 – except 6.7.2.19.6 (b), 6.7.4.14.6 (b) – and Chapter 6.9, certain tasks are assigned to a competent authority and for which no provision in accordance with § 6 of these regulations has been made;

22. the approval of the classification and transport of non-sensitized emulsions, suspensions and gels in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirement 309;

23. the approval for carriage in accordance with 4.1.3.8.1 and

24. issuing certificates in accordance with 6.2.5.6.2.5 for design type approval in accordance with 6.2.5.6.4 and production inspection in accordance with 6.2.5.6.5.
(3) The Bundesamt für Strahlenschutz, Willy-Brandt-Straße 5, 38226 Salzgitter is competent for

1. approving the determination of radionuclide values not listed in Table 2.2.7.7.2.1, in accordance with 2.2.7.7.2.2;

2. approving the carriage of radioactive materials in accordance with 5.1.5.2.2;

3. shipment approval by special arrangement for the carriage of radioactive materials in accordance with 5.1.5.2.3 and

4. approving the designs of packages for radioactive materials in accordance with 5.1.5.3.1 in conjunction with 6.4.22.2 to 6.4.22.4 and the confirmation in accordance with 6.4.22.6 (a).

(4) The Wehrwissenschaftliche Institut für Werk-, Explosiv- und Betriebsstoffe (WIWEB), Großes Cent, 53913 Swisttal is competent in the military field for

1. the assignment of explosive substances and articles containing explosives and the approval in writing of the conditions of carriage in accordance with 2.2.1.1.3 and assignment in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirements 16, 266, 271, 272, 278 and 288, as well as the approval in accordance with 3.3.1, special requirement 645;

2. the authorization for carriage in accordance with 4.1.5.15, the packaging approval in accordance with 4.1.5.18, the packaging authorization in accordance with 4.1.4.1 Packing Instruction P 101 and the approval of the container/compartment design type in accordance with 7.5.2.2 footnote (a) and

3. deciding on the mixed packing of articles of Class 1, compatibility group D or E with their own means of initiation in accordance with 4.1.10.4, special provision MP 21.

(5) The supervisory bodies approved in accordance with § 14 of the German Appliance Safety Act for testing equipment in accordance with § 2 para. 2a No. 2 or 9 of the German Appliance Safety Act in the version of the notification dated 11 May 2001 (Federal Law Journal I p. 866), as amended by Article 3 of the Act dated 23 March 2002 (Federal Law Journal I p. 1163) in the respectively applicable version or the official or officially recognized experts in accordance with § 19 paras. 4 to 7 of the Appliance Safety Act, appointed by the competent supreme national authority or appointed by the body it has designated or who work at a body competent in accordance with national law, are competent for

1. the periodic tests for pressure receptacles in accordance with 6.2.1.6.1 – except the check of the markings in accordance with 5.2.1.6;

2. the design type test of

   a) portable tanks and UN certified multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.7.2.18.1, 6.7.3.14.1 and 6.7.5.11.1 in conjunction with Chapter 4.2 and 6.7.2.19.9, 6.7.3.15.9, 6.7.4.14.10 and 6.7.5.12.7,

   b) fixed tanks, demountable tanks, battery-vehicles, tank-wagons – on behalf of the competent authority for the approval of the design type –, demountable tanks, battery-wagons, tank-containers, tank swap bodies and multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.8.2.3.1 in conjunction with Chapter 4.3, 4.5 of ADR and 6.10 of ADR, and

   c) fibre-reinforced plastics tanks in accordance with 6.9.4.1 in conjunction with Chapter 4.4 of ADR and tank-containers made of fibre-reinforced plastics in accordance with
6.9.4.1 in conjunction with Chapter 4.4 in agreement with the Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung;

3. the initial, periodic and exceptional test of shells made of metal and their equipment of

a) portable tanks and UN certified multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.7.2.19.9, 6.7.3.15.9, 6.7.4.14.10, 6.7.5.12.2. and 6.7.5.12.7,

b) fixed tanks, demountable tanks, battery-vehicles, tank-wagons - on behalf of the competent authority for the approval of the design type -, demountable tanks, battery-wagons, tank-containers, tank swap bodies and multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.8.2.4.5, 6.8.3.4.7, 6.8.3.4.8, 6.8.3.4.12 and 6.8.3.4.16 in conjunction with 6.8.4 (d), special provision TT 2, and

c) fibre-reinforced plastics tanks (FRP tanks) in accordance with 6.9.5.3;

4. tasks in accordance with 4.3.3.2.5 – in agreement with the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt –, 6.7.2.6.3, 6.7.2.10.1, 6.7.2.19.10, 6.7.3.15.10, 6.8.3.4.4, 6.8.3.4.7, 6.8.3.4.8, 6.8.4 (b) and (d), special provision TE 1, TT 2 and TT 7 – in agreement with the Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung – and 6.8.5.2.2, and

5. the check of the electrical equipment for the service equipment of tanks in accordance with ADR 9.2.2 and 9.7.8 before the tank is put into service in accordance with ADR 6.8.2.4.1 and when the tank is tested and inspected in accordance with ADR 6.8.2.4.2 and 6.8.2.4.4.

(6) The testing and certification bodies accredited by a competent authority in accordance with national law are competent for the testing and approval of receptacles and the quality assurance system in accordance with 6.2.1.4.1 to 6.2.1.4.3, 6.2.1.4.5 and 6.2.1.6.1 to 6.2.1.6.3.

(7) The experts recognized by the Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung in accordance with § 20 No. 3 of the German Maritime Dangerous Goods Regulations of 4 March 1998 (Federal Law Journal I p. 419), as amended by Article 11 § 7 of the Act of 6 August 2002 (Federal Law Journal I p. 3082), in the respectively applicable version, are competent for

1. the design type testing of portable tanks and UN certified multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.7.2.18.1, 6.7.3.14.1, 6.7.4.13.1 and 6.7.5.11.1 in conjunction with Chapter 4.2 and 6.7.2.19.9, 6.7.3.15.9, 6.7.4.14.10 and 6.7.5.12.7 and of tank-containers, tank swap bodies and multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.8.2.3.1 in conjunction with Chapter 4.3;

2. the initial, periodic and exceptional test of portable tanks and UN certified multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.7.2.19.9, 6.7.3.15.9, 6.7.4.14.10 and 6.7.5.12.7 in conjunction with 6.7.2.6.3, 6.7.2.10.1, 6.7.3.15.10, 6.7.4.5.10, 6.7.4.14.11 and 6.7.5.12.2 and of tank-containers, tank swap bodies and multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 6.8.2.4.5, 6.8.3.4.7, 6.8.3.4.8, 6.8.3.4.12, 6.8.3.4.16 in conjunction with 6.8.4 (d), special provision TT 2, and

3. tasks in connection with the testing of portable tanks, tank-containers, tank swap bodies and multiple element gas containers (MEGCs) in accordance with 4.3.3.2.5 – in agreement with the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt –, 6.7.2.6.3, 6.7.2.10.1, 6.7.2.19.10, 6.7.3.15.10, 6.8.3.4.4, 6.8.3.4.7, 6.8.3.4.8, 6.8.4 (b) and (d), special provisions TE 1, TT 2 and TT 7 – in agreement with the Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung – and 6.8.5.2.2.
(8) The Robert Koch-Institut, Nordufer 20, 13353 Berlin is competent for establishing the conditions for genetically modified organisms in accordance with 2.2.9.1.12 and 2.2.62.1.7 (b) and (c).

(9) The Eisenbahn-Bundesamt, Vorgebirgsstraße 49, 53119 Bonn is competent for

1. issuing an authorization to pursue the transport operation in accordance with RID 1.4.2.2.4 in the area covered by German railways;

2. carrying out the administrative controls of dangerous goods in accordance with RID 1.8.1 and these regulations in the area covered by German railways;

3. providing the mutual administrative support in accordance with RID 1.8.2 in the area covered by German railways;

4. submitting the reports on the notification of incidents involving dangerous goods in accordance with RID 1.8.5.1;

5. imposing restrictions on carriage in accordance with RID 1.9.1 in the area covered by German railways in agreement with the Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Bau- und Wohnungswesen;

6. the apparent yield stress and tensile strength in accordance with RID 6.8.2.1.16;

7. recognizing the manufacturer's qualification for performing welding operations and any additional checks in accordance with RID 6.8.2.1.23;

8. the exception for the return of dangerous goods in accordance with RID 6.7.2.19.6 (b), 6.7.3.15.6 (b) and 6.7.4.14.6 (b);

9. the design type approval in accordance with RID 6.8.2.2.2;

10. the design type approval and testing of battery-wagons, tank-wagons and demountable tanks in accordance with RID 6.8.2.3.1 in conjunction with RID 4.3.3 and RID 4.3.4;

11. the approval in accordance with RID 6.8.3.2.16;

12. establishing the conditions or approving a test programme in accordance with RID 6.8.4 (c), special provisions TA 2 and TT 7, each time in agreement with the Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung, and

13. following up and prosecuting regulatory offences in accordance with § 10 in the area covered by German railways.

(10) The experts recognized by the Eisenbahn-Bundesamt in accordance with RID 6.8.2.4.5 are competent for tests and inspections of tank-wagons in accordance with RID 6.8.2.4.

(11) The competent authorities in accordance with national law are competent for carrying out these regulations for transport operations in the area covered by other railways, unless otherwise established in these regulations.