



An tÚdarás Sláinte agus SábháilteachtaHealth
and Safety Authority

European Communities (Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment) Regulations 2011 to 2023

Competent Authority Exemption 04/2023

Applicable To National Road Transport Only

Estimation of the quantities of UN 3291, medical or clinical waste, for the purposes of carriage by road

The Health and Safety Authority, as Competent Authority appointed under Regulation 10 of the European Communities (Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment) Regulations 2011 to 2023, and in accordance with Regulation 5(4)(a), hereby exempts **Stericycle Limited** from the limitation of ADR 5.4.1.1.3.2 that the estimation of the quantity of waste according to 5.4.1.1.1 (f) is not allowed for waste containing substances of Class 6.2 which are mentioned in ADR 2.1.3.5.3. The transport operation shall however comply with the conditions stated in this exemption.

Purpose

ADR 5.4.1.1.3.2 provides for the estimation of the quantity of waste according to 5.4.1.1.1 (f) under specified conditions. However, this estimation is not permitted for waste containing substances mentioned in ADR 2.1.3.5.3. The purpose of this exemption is to permit the carriage of UN 3291, medical or clinical waste, Class 6.2, in cages (containers) under the provisions of 5.4.1.1.3.2 if the waste carried in the cages is packaged in UN approved packaging in compliance with ADR 4.1.4.1, packing instruction P621.

The transport operation shall however comply with the provisions contained in this document.

1. All cages used for the carriage of UN 3291, clinical or medical waste, and for which the quantity of dangerous goods therein is estimated based on their nominal volume, shall meet the definition of 'container' in ADR 1.2.1.
2. The cages shall be locked and checked by the ADR certified drivers responsible for the carriage of consignments under the provisions of this exemption.
3. The drivers performing the transport operations under this exemption shall be provided with function specific training on the correct closure of the locking mechanism of the cages.

4. Maintenance checks shall be carried out on the locking mechanisms of the cages, and any damaged locks replaced without delay.
5. In all other respects, the transport operations performed in accordance with this exemption will comply with the relevant requirements of ADR.
6. A copy of this exemption must accompany the transport documentation, and shall be made available to anyone who has a legitimate interest in the transport operation.
7. Any incident resulting in loss of containment of a substance during the transport journey shall be reported immediately by the participant in control of the transport operation to:

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8. The Authority may withdraw this exemption for failure to observe any of these conditions or for any other reason, which the Authority deems sufficient.

This exemption is effective immediately and expires on 30 June 2027.

Date: 12 July 2023



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