

Changes to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations Affecting the BC Manifest and Supplement Forms

Two amendments to the federal Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations (TDGR) came into effect in 2014 and affect manifests issued by most provinces and territories and the version of the movement document prescribed by Canada. These amendments are as follows:

1. Effective July 15, 2014 and with a transition period ending July 15, 2015: A prescribed consignor certification statement is required in the manifest.
2. Effective December 31, 2014 and with a transition period ending June 30, 2015: The UN number must precede the shipping name.

CONSIGNOR CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

The TDGR allows for 5 choices of words for consignor certification [see [TDGR](#) Part 3, Section 3.6.1 (1)]. In consultation with other Canadian provinces and territories, Environment Canada and Transport Canada, it was agreed that the manifest used for hazardous waste would be required to include the certification set out in section 5.4.1.6 of the [United Nations \(UN\) Recommendations](#), which says:

“I hereby declare that the contents of this consignment are fully and accurately described above (or below) by the proper shipping name, and are classified, packaged, marked and labelled/placarded, and are in all respects in proper condition for transport according to applicable international and national governmental regulations.”

The certification statement in the current version of manifest issued by the province of BC says:

“I certify that the information contained in Part A is correct and complete. I hereby declare that the contents of this consignment are fully and accurately described above by the proper shipping name, and are classified, packaged, marked and labelled/placarded, and are in all respects in proper condition for transport according to applicable international and national governmental regulations.”

If you have a nonconforming manifest, the following are possible options to make it compliant:

1. Place a label with the required consignor certification statement on top of the old certification or in the space given for the international codes, just above the old certification section,
2. Write the required certification statement on the space given for the international codes, just above the old certification section, or
3. Use a new conforming manifest.

Please make sure that the required certification statement is signed.

UN NUMBER

The United Nations (UN) number applies to dangerous goods. If a hazardous waste is also a dangerous good, then the federal TDGR requirements must also be met. Here are two options to make the manifest compliant:

1. Write the UN number in Column 3 (Prov. code) of part A of the manifest and strikethrough the title of that column (“Prov. Code”) and replace with “UN No.”
2. Complete the manifest as required under the provincial laws **and** attach another sheet with the information required under sections 3.5, 3.6 and 3.6.1 of the TDGR. This attachment is to be used during transportation only to meet the federal requirements and it does not need to be submitted to the BC Ministry of Environment. The different copies of the manifest must still be distributed/submitted as required under the provincial laws.

Conforming manifests are not being produced in BC at this time. The manifest is a shared document that requires input and approval from several jurisdictions, both provincially and federally, as well as manifest users. All parties must agree in order for changes to be made to the manifest. The manifest will remain in its current format until further notice.

SUPPLEMENT FORMS

The following supplement forms are currently being modified to become compliant:

- Multiple Different Wastes
- Multiple Consignors

If you have a nonconforming supplement form re: certification, there are some options to make it compliant:

1. Place a label with the required certification statement in a white space in the supplement form,
2. Write the required certification statement in the white space in the supplement form, or
3. Use a new conforming supplement form.

Also, please make sure that the required certification statement is signed.

If you have a nonconforming supplement form re: UN number, there are some options to make it compliant:

1. Write the UN number in front of the waste name that is a dangerous good, or
2. Use a new conforming supplement form.

CHECKING WITH TRANSPORT CANADA

Transport Canada administers the requirements under the TDGR. You should contact Transport Canada to obtain more information on how to meet TDGR requirements. Transport Canada can be reached at TDGTraining-FormationTMD@tc.gc.ca.

BACKGROUND

For details about the federal amendments, please refer to the following documents:

1. Certification: Regulations Amending the *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations* (Update of Standards), published in the *Canada Gazette Part II*, Vol. 148, No.14 as SOR/2014-152, can be viewed at the following URL: <http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2014/2014-07-02/html/sor-dors152-eng.php>
2. UN number sequencing: Regulations Amending the *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations* (Update of Standards), published in the *Canada Gazette Part II*, Vol. 148, No.27 as SOR/2014-306, can be viewed at the following URL: <http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2014/2014-12-31/html/sor-dors306-eng.php>