

PRESS RELEASE

ATTENTION: Expiry on 1 November 2014 of the transitional arrangements provided for in the CDNI Convention (Annexe II, Article 6.02)

Strasbourg, 31 October 2014 – The Executive Secretariat and the Contracting Parties of the CDNI would like to draw the attention of crew members and competent authorities to the **expiry of the transitional arrangements described in Annexe II, Article 6.02** of the Convention on the Collection, Deposit and Reception of Waste produced during Navigation on the Rhine and Inland Waterways **on 1 November 2014**.

Consequences for the transport of dry cargo

From 1 November 2014 onwards, all the obligations described in Appendix III of the Convention will apply to vessels carrying dry cargo.

The transitional scheme in force over the past five years, provided for in Article 6.02 of Annexe 2 to the Convention (**tolerance of “swept condition” where “pumped condition” is required, tolerance of dumping swabbing water in the waterway if the “swept condition” unloading standard has been respected**) for treatment in respect of certain types of dry cargo **henceforth ceases to be applicable**. Provision must be made to enable crew members to comply with these requirements both on board and on land.

The responsibilities of the parties involved are yet not modified.

Consequences for the transport of liquid cargo

From 1 November 2014 onwards, the provisions contained in **Article 7.04 of Annexe 2 (drying of cargo tanks)** will be **fully applicable to vessels** carrying liquid cargo. The wire provided to eliminate the residual waste must comply with the connection presented in model 1 of the Appendix II. Provision must be made to enable crew members to comply with this requirement both on board and on land.

The responsibilities of the parties involved are yet not modified.

About the CDNI (www.cdni-iwt.org)

The Convention on the Collection, Deposit and Reception of Waste produced during Navigation on the Rhine and Inland Waterways of 9 September 1996 (CDNI) entered into force on 1 November 2009. It has six member countries (Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Switzerland), and its aim is to protect the environment in general and water in particular. To achieve this, the CDNI has introduced rules aimed at promoting a reduction in the production of waste, channelling waste towards a network of dedicated collection points along navigable waterways, ensuring international funding for its initiatives on the basis of the 'polluter pays' principle, and checking that bans on discharging waste of this type into surface water are being complied with.

Contact

CDNI Secretariat
2 Place de la République
F-67082 Strasbourg Cedex
Tel.: + 33 (0)3 88 52 96 42
E-mail: secretariat@cdni-iwt.org
Website: www.cdni-iwt.org