

Changes and Amendment to the Edition 2022

The Edition 2022 of the ebooks dedicated to the safe transport of batteries classified as dangerous goods for transportation, incorporates the ADR 2021, IMDG Code 40-20 and IATA DGR 2022 63rd edition.

A change that applies to all batteries is the 5 months extension of the validity of the IMDG Code 39-18, originally till 31 December 2021, now applicable till 31 May 2022. I remind you that the summary sheets of this platform are aligned with the new IMDG Code 40-20 that can be used on a voluntary basis from 1 January 2021.

As often happens, the main changes concern lithium batteries, in particular:

- updates of the UN Manual of Tests and Criteria applicable now in Edition 7 Amendment 1;
- in air transport, the cancellation of Section II of the lithium metal and lithium ion small excepted batteries, shipped as batteries in accordance with IATA Packing Instructions 965 and 968 starting from April 1, 2022 to allow operators to adapt their logistic procedures;
- in air transport, IATA Packing Instructions 966 and 969 have been revised to clarify the methods of packing batteries supplied with equipment.

All changes have been reported in the respective chapters of part 1 of the two ebooks, "International Transport Regulations" and, where applicable, in the individual "Summary Sheets" and have been highlighted by the **gray background**.