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Subject: Detailed technical specifications

Question: In Article 17§ 2 of Directive 1999/36/CE, it is stated that the implementation date of the Directive (2000-01-07) "shall be deferred for certain transportable pressure equipment for which there are no detailed specifications or for which adequate reference to the relevant European Standards has not been added to the Annexes to Directives 94/55/EC and 96/49/EC".

Question : what is a detailed technical specification ?

Answer:

Detailed technical specifications are specifications to be found in the ADR and the RID. They are equivalent to standards, they relate to a given equipment and they are precise and sufficient in order to meet the relevant provisions of Directives 94/55/EC and 96/49/EC (see Article 3 § 1 of Directive 99/36/EC).

Detailed technical specifications - related to new transportable pressure equipment - may be found only in Directives 84/525/EEC, 84/526/EEC and 84/527/EEC so far.

NOTE -

Directive 94/55/EC relates to the transport of dangerous goods by road

Directive 96/49/EC relates to the transport of dangerous goods by rail

Directive 84/525/EEC relates to seamless steel gas cylinders

Directive 84/526/EEC relates to seamless unalloyed aluminium and aluminium alloy gas cylinders

Directive 84/527/EEC relates to welded unalloyed steel gas cylinders

Directive 1999/36/EEC relates to Transportable Pressure Equipment