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Equivalency Certificate (Approval issued by the competent authority of Canada)

Certificate No.: SR 11620 (Ren. 3)
Template Number: N/A
Certificate Holder: Railway Association of Canada
Mode of Transport: Rail
Effective Date: June 10, 2021
Expiry Date: June 30, 2026

LEGEND

For the purposes of this equivalency certificate, documents referred to by an abbreviation have the following meaning:

TDG Act: *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, 1992*

TDG Regulations: *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations*

49 CFR: *Title 49 of the "Code of Federal Regulations" of the United States, as amended from time to time*

NOTES

Note 1: Subsection 31(4) of the *TDG Act* stipulates that any non-compliance with the conditions of this equivalency certificate will result in the provisions of the *TDG Act* and *TDG Regulations* to apply as though this equivalency certificate did not exist.

Note 2: This equivalency certificate provides no regulatory relief other than specifically stated herein. Therefore, all other requirements of the *TDG Act* and the *TDG Regulations* apply.

PURPOSE

This equivalency certificate authorizes the certificate holder to use the words “Poison – Inhalation Hazard” instead of “Toxic – Inhalation Hazard” in the description of the dangerous goods, which is included on the shipping document as per section 3.5 of the *TDG Regulations*. Please note that adding the words “Zone A”, “Zone B”, “Zone C”, or “Zone D” on the shipping document is not misleading as long as the sequence of information describing the dangerous goods on the shipping document is done in accordance with section 3.5 of the *TDG Regulations*. A modification to the *TDG Regulations* could eventually be considered to reflect these changes and authorize the words prescribed in *49 CFR*.

CONDITIONS

This equivalency certificate authorizes the members of the Railway Association of Canada to handle, offer for transport or transport, and authorizes any person to handle or transport on behalf of the members of the Railway Association of Canada, by railway vehicle, the dangerous goods:

- subjected to Special Provision 23 of Schedule 2 of the *TDG Regulations*,

in a manner that does not comply with:

- subparagraph 3.5(1)(c)(vii) of the *TDG Regulations* and
- paragraph 23(1)(b) of Special Provision 23 of Schedule 2 of the *TDG Regulations*,

if the following conditions are met:

1) General

- a) The Railway Association of Canada ensures that a copy of this equivalency certificate is provided to all members of the Railway Association of Canada;

2) Documentation

- a) The words “**Poison – Inhalation Hazard**” may be used instead of “**Toxic – Inhalation Hazard**” in the description of the dangerous goods, which is included on the shipping document as per section 3.5 of the *TDG Regulations*;
- b) The shipping document that accompanies the dangerous goods contains the following information legibly and indelibly printed:
 - (i) “**Equivalency Certificate SR 11620 (Ren. 3)**”, or
 - (ii) “**Certificat d’équivalence SR 11620 (Ren. 3)**”.

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2) Training

- a) In addition to the requirements of Part 6 (Training) of the *TDG Regulations*, the members of the Railway Association of Canada ensure that the personnel handling, offering for transport or transporting the dangerous goods are trained in regards to the conditions of this equivalency certificate; and

Signature of Issuing Authority



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Legend for Certificate Number	
SH - Road, SR - Rail, SA - Air, SM - Marine SU - More than one Mode of Transport Ren - Renewal	

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