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### DEVELOPMENTS

#### **NO DEADLINE EXTENSION FOR DRIVER TRAINING**

Although no additional training providers have been approved since the 16 announced in February, it is understood that there will be no further extensions to the deadline of 1 July 2008. All dangerous goods drivers wishing to apply for, or renew PrDPs, must now produce a training certificate issued by an approved dangerous goods training body. The certificate must not be older than six months (see DGD page A.4.3).

#### **ERG 2008 JUST PUBLISHED**

The South African edition of the **2008 Emergency Response Guidebook**, was published by Foresight Publications in June 2008 and is taken from the latest American edition (revised approximately every four years), published the previous month, May 2008.

The law requires that this book be strictly adhered to when dealing with a dangerous goods incident involving fire or spillage occurring on a public road.

Pages are colour coded enabling quick and easy navigation to find information. Bound with an uncrushable plastic coil, the book is easy to work with and opens completely flat. Each copy comes with a user-friendly CD, making it even faster to find information.

**NB: The S A Bureau of Standards version (also just published) is, ineptly, taken from the American 2004 edition and is, once again, out of step as it is four years out of date.**

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**NEW SANS STANDARD FOR HANDLING GAS CYLINDERS**

Part 2 of *SANS 10263: The warehousing of dangerous goods* has just been published. It specifies requirements for the safe handling and storage of industrial and medical gas cylinders for compressed, liquefied or dissolved gases that have a water capacity of 0,5 litres to 150 litres throughout the supply chain, to and from end users. It also includes undercover and open air conditions. Sites where gas cylinders are filled are specifically excluded.

**Subscribers are reminded that S A National Standards are available from Foresight Publications in either hard copy or electronic (PDF) format.**

Please insert the following enclosed pages in your book removing and destroying any old pages which have been substituted. Carefully read the summarised changes under each section heading and keep this sheet to check that you receive the next Updating Service in the numbered series.

**SECTION A**

**LEGISLATION:** Pages A.1.13 to A.1.18. SANS Latest revision dates of SANS 10087 and SANS 10089 updated. Addition of recently published SANS 10263 Part 2, covering the handling and storage of gas cylinders.

**OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** Pages A.3.5/6. Reference added concerning column 9 of the Dangerous Goods List dealing with exempt quantities and reference to NRTA Reg 278 added.

**DOCUMENTATION:** Pages A.4.1 to A.4.4 and A.4.7/8. SANS references amended and vehicle check form revised. Amendment of the phrase dealing with the date position on transport emergency cards. It appears at the bottom left on TREM cards and the bottom right on TREC's.

**SECTION B**

**TITLE PAGE:** Please file at the front of Section B to replace the existing title page.

**EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDES (ERG 2008):** Pages B.3.1 to B.3.127 and B.3.128 to B.3.129 (new pages). This whole section has been updated in line with the 2008 Emergency Response Guidebook published in America in May 2008 and in Southern Africa by Foresight Publications in June 2008. A vehicle identification chart has been added, the guides have been fine tuned and a new guide introduced (GUIDE 147, previously blank) covering lithium batteries.

**ERG Table 1 and Table 2:** Pages B.4.1 to B.4.13 and B.4.14 to B.1.17 (new pages). The title of this section has been changed in line with changes to the Emergency Response Guidebook. The Initial Isolation and Protective Action Distances (Table 1) have been extensively revised. New substances have been added to both tables and a new toxic gas (nitrogen dioxide) added to Table 2.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Pages B.6.21 (new page). List of dangerous goods placarding manufacturers.

**CHECKLIST AUGUST 2008:** Pages i/ii. Please check the pages in your binder carefully against this list to ensure that they are correct.

The previous Updating Service No 10, issued in **March 2008**, contained pages: A.1.11/12, A.1.17/18, A.2.11/12, A.3.9 to A.3.11, A.4.3/4, A.4.9 to A.4.14, A.6a.1 to A.6a.15 and A.6a.16 to A.6a.25 (new pages). B.2c.11/12, B.6.17 to B.6.19 (new pages).

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