Basic information

1999/0087(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure completed
Transport of dangerous goods by rail Amending Directive 96/49/EC 1994/0284(SYN) **Subject** 3.20.02 Rail transport: passengers and freight 3.70.13 Dangerous substances, toxic and radioactive wastes (storage, transport)	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
RETT Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism	HATZIDAKIS Konstantinos (PPE-DE)	31/08/1999

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
RETT Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism	HATZIDAKIS Konstantinos (PPE-DE)	31/08/1999

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ENVI Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2279	2000-06-26

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
17/05/1999	Legislative proposal published	COM(1999)0157	Summary
23/07/1999	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
13/10/1999	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
13/10/1999	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A5-0027/1999	

28/10/1999	Debate in Parliament		
27/06/2000	Council position published	07456/1/2000	Summary
06/07/2000	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
12/09/2000	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		Summary
12/09/2000	Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A5-0229/2000	
10/10/2000	Final act signed		
10/10/2000	End of procedure in Parliament		
01/11/2000	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1999/0087(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Amendments and repeals	Amending Directive 96/49/EC 1994/0284(SYN)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 071-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	RETT/5/12889

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0027/1999 OJ C 154 05.06.2000, p. 0006	13/10/1999	
Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading		A5-0229/2000 OJ C 146 17.05.2001, p. 0005	12/09/2000	

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Council position	07456/1/2000 OJ C 245 25.08.2000, p. 0014	27/06/2000	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(1999)0157 OJ C 181 26.06.1999, p. 0025	17/05/1999	Summary
Commission communication on Council's position	SEC(2000)1151	04/07/2000	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0845/1999 OJ C 329 17.11.1999, p. 0011	22/09/1999	

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Directive 2000/0062
OJ L 279 01.11.2000, p. 0044 Summary

Transport of dangerous goods by rail

1999/0087(COD) - 27/06/2000 - Council position

The Council's common position is broadly in line with the Commission's proposal. The European Parliament approved the Commission proposal without amendments. The first three changes made by common position to the proposal draw on the amendments proposed by the European Parliament to the Commission proposal amending Directive 94/55/EC, these aim in particular: - to bring the text of the Directive into line with Council Decision 1999/468/EC on committee procedure; - to ensure a consistency between the wording and a similar provision concerning the operating temperature of materials used for plastic packaging, tanks and their equipment, as contained in the Council's common position on the proposal on transport by road; - avoid discrimination between rail wagons and tanks constructed before or after 1 June 1997 and conforming to legislation in force on the date of construction, and to ensure consistency between the Directive and the common position on transport and road. In addition, a further amendment is included which is designed to enable Member States to authorise derogations for the transport of small quantities of certain dangerous goods within their territory, subject to advance notification of those derogations to the Commission.

Transport of dangerous goods by rail

1999/0087(COD) - 29/10/1999 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament, in its first reading, approved the Commission proposal for a Directive to amend Directive 96/49/EC regarding transport of dangerous goods by rail without amendment. Parliament's Rapporteur was Mr. Konstantinos Hatzidakis (EPP, Greece).

Transport of dangerous goods by rail

1999/0087(COD) - 10/10/2000 - Final act

PURPOSE : to resolve the problems that may arise concerning the application of certain transitional measures relating to the transport of dangerous goods by rail. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Directive 2000/62/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 96/49/EC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States with regard to the transport of dangerous goods by rail. CONTENT : the Directive on the transport of dangerous goods by rail aims essentially at clearly specifying certain derogations provided in Directive 96/49/EC, concerning a transitional measure for certain receptacles and tanks. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 01.11.2000. DEADLINE FIXED FOR THE TRANSPOSITION : 01.05.2001.

Transport of dangerous goods by rail

1999/0087(COD) - 04/07/2000 - Commission communication on Council's position

The main change made by the common position is consistent with the objectives of the Commission proposal (indent 3 of point 3.3). The purpose of the other amendments is to ensure consistency between Directive 96/49/EC and Directive 94/55/EC, following the European Parliament's amendments to the proposal amending the latter. Consequently, the Commission delivers a favourable opinion on the common position as a whole.

Transport of dangerous goods by rail

1999/0087(COD) - 21/09/2000 - Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading

The European Parliament approved the Council's common position.

Transport of dangerous goods by rail

1999/0087(COD) - 17/05/1999 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: proposal to amend Directive 96/49/EC regarding the transport of dangerous goods by rail with the purpose of solving problems that will arise after 01/01/1999 concerning the application of certain transitional measures. CONTENT: Directive 96/49/EC on the transport of dangerous goods by rail came into force on 01/01/1997. The Directive provides for certain transitional measures valid until 01/01/1999, so as to permit the finalisation of certain standardisation work by CEN (European Committee for Standardisation). Given the delay in this work, the deadline laid down in Directive 96/49 /EC is no longer consistent with the current situation, giving rise to short-term problems of application. These problems concern measures relating to receptacles for transporting Class 2 gases and on tanks. The objective of the modification of Directive 94/55 is to avoid the amendment of national laws for a very short period : amending Community legislation is more efficient than amending national legislations for a very brief period. It is therefore proposed to: - replace the deadlines as specified by 30 June 2001 and 1 July 2001 respectively by allowing the Committee under Art. 9 to postpone those deadlines in respect of certain equipment; - amend the procedure for the acceptance of derogations; - specify the conditions on whioch a transport operation can be considered an ad hoc transport operation.