



## **Dangerous Goods Advisory Circular DGAC 4/2004**

Circular for attention by all airlines holding permission for carriage of dangerous goods in aircraft

### **Requirements of Special Provisions A97**

It has been drawn to the attention of this Dangerous Goods (DG) Office that Special Provisions A97, under ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of DG and IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations, has caused a lot of confusion to the air cargo industry in its compliance. For clarification purpose, this DG Office would like to advise the following: -

- i) It is the responsibility of Environmental Hazardous Substance (EHS) consignors to ensure a) fulfillment of the EHS designation requirement in its originating country or b) the designation has already been agreed by appropriate national authority of the originating country. Since EHS do not have any aviation safety concern, airlines' obligation in their acceptance is no more than reminding EHS consignors about this EHS designation requirement;
- ii) if consignors of EHS consignment transiting Hong Kong have any doubt, they should check the national requirement or approach the appropriate national authority of the originating country to clarify if the designation is proper;
- iii) for EHS consignment originating from Hong Kong, its classification must fulfill the classification requirements stipulated under the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG), the European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) or the Regulations Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID); and
- iv) in case of any doubt, EHS consignors can seek clarification of classification requirement from this DG office. Depending on situation, this DG office may issue letter to clarify that an EHS consignment has been properly classified.

Should you have any query about this circular, please contact Safety Officers (Dangerous Goods) Ms Cecilia PANG at 2182 1214 or Mr. Eric CHIM at 2182 1221.

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## 危險品通告第 4/2004 號

### 特殊規定第 A97 條

鑑於航空貨運界對遵守國際民航組織《危險品安全空運技術指令》及國際航空運輸協會《危險品規例手冊》的特殊規定第 A97 條感到疑惑，危險品事務處現闡釋如下：

- i) 危害環境物質托運人有責任確保：(a)物質名稱符合其來源國的規定或(b)物質名稱已獲其來源國的負責國家當局同意。由於危害環境物質對航空安全並無影響，航空公司在接收這些物質方面須承擔的責任，只限於提醒托運人有關物質名稱的規定；
- ii) 倘托運人對安排托運危害環境物質在香港過境有疑問，他們應查核來源國的國家規定或聯絡有關的國家當局，以澄請物質的名稱是否妥當；
- iii) 如果托運的危害環境物質來自香港，其分類必須符合《國際海運危險品貨物守則》、《關於危險貨物道路國際運輸的歐洲協議》或《危險貨物鐵路國際運輸規例》所列明的分類規定；以及
- iv) 托運人如對危害環境物質的分類規定有疑問，可向危險品事務處尋求澄清。危險品事務處會按情況以書面闡明托運的危害環境物質已妥為分類。

如對本通告有任何疑問，請與航空安全事務主任彭詠詩女士(電話：2182 1214)或詹浩斌先生(電話：2182 1221)聯絡。