Changes To CFR 49 Regulations

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Regulations As We Knew Them

- Infectious Substance UN2814
- Diagnostic Specimens UN3373
- Unregulated Specimens (No UN#)

Side By Side Comparison: New Terminology Vs Old

Old Terminology	New Terminology
Risk Group I Unregulated	Routine ScreeningTests (Excepted Specimens)Exempt Human specimen
 Risk Group II & III Diagnostics Specimens (UN3373) 	■BiologicalSubstances Category B ■(UN3373)
Risk Group III & IV Infectious Substance (UN2814)	■ Infectious Substances Affecting Humans (UN2814)



Why The Changes?

- To make standards consistent with United Nation's terminology.
- To clarify existing requirements.
- To promote compliance.
- Facilitate Domestic and International transportation

Benefits of Changes

Old Terminology	New Terminology
 Designed by laboratories, not transport experts 	Designed by United Nations Experts
 Includes laboratory handling concerns as well as transport concerns 	Considers transport concerns only

Definitions

- Category A Infectious Substance
 - Is an infectious substance transported in a form capable of causing permanent disability or life threatening or fatal disease to otherwise healthy humans or animals when exposure to it occurs.
 - And exposure occurs when an infectious substance is released outside of its protective packaging, resulting in physical contact with humans or animals.
 - Category A Infectous Substances are assigned to existing identification numbers UN2184 and UN2900.

Definitions Continued

- Category B Biological Substances
 - Does not meet the criteria for inclusion of a Category A Infectious Substance.
 - Does not cause permanent disability or life threatening or fatal disease to humans or animals when exposed to it.

Definitions Continued

- Excepted Specimens
 - Human or animal specimen transported for routine testing when the testing is not related to the diagnosis of an infectious disease and when there is no reason to suspect the sample is infectious.

Examples of Infectious Substances Category A

- Mycobacterium tuberculosis (cultures only)
- Brucella abortus (cultures only)
- Human immunodeficiency virus (cultures only)
- Dengue virus (cultures only)
- Herpes B virus (cultures only)
- Rickettsia rickettsia (cultures only)
- Rabies and other lyssaviruses (cultures only)

Examples of Category B substances

- Human immunodeficiency virus (Clinical specimens)
- Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Clinical specimens)
- Rabies virus (animal heads)
- Arbovirus (serum or CSF specimens)
- Syphilis (serum, blood, CSF)
- Hepatitis A, B, C (serum or blood)

Examples of Excepted Specimens

- Blood and urine not known or expected to have a pathogen
- Dried blood spots
- Routine samples not being tested for pathogens

Who Needs Training?

- 49 CFR defines a hazmat employee as a person who works for a hazmat employer and directly affects hazmat transportation safety.
 - Loads, unloads, or handles hazardous materials.
 - Prepares hazardous materials for transportation.
 - Is responsible for safety of transporting hazardous materials.
 - Operates a vehicle used to transport hazardous materials.

Training requirements for Ground transportation

- To ship Category B Biological Substances, the shipper must be familiar with the regulations.
- To Ship Category A infectious substances, the shipper must be trained and tested in CFR 49 regulations

Training requirements for air transportation

To ship Category A and Category B, the shipper must be trained and tested in I.A.T.A. regulations.

Training Requirements for Excepted Specimens

Familiar with packaging and labeling regulations

Category A Infectious Substance Labeling

- UN2814 and proper shipping name
- Infectious substance sticker
- Return address with name and telephone number
- Shipping address with name and telephone number
- 24 hour emergency number
- Directional indicator arrows

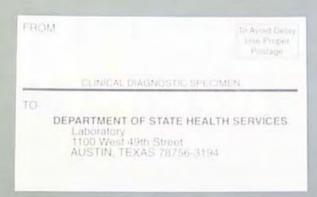


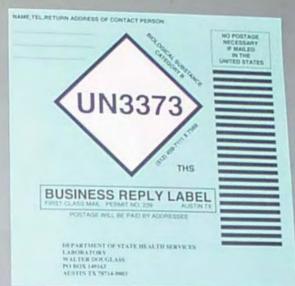
Category B Biological Substance Labeling

- Un3373 sticker
- "Category B Biological Substance"
- Return address with name and phone number
- Shipping address with name and phone number
- Directional indicator arrows











Excepted Human and Animal Specimens

- "Exempt human specimen"
- "Exempt animal specimen"
- Return address
- Shipping address
- No "Biohazard" label

Transport by Private or Contract Carrier

The HMR currently does not regulate infectious substance transported by a private carrier or contract carrier in a motor vehicle used exclusively to transport these items

Changes to Dangerous Goods Shipper's Declaration

- The "UN number" is now in the first column.
- Column for "Subsidiary Risk" is eliminated.
- "Proper Shipping Name" is now second column.

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Returning Shipping Packers

- DSHS does not pay to return other lab's shipping packers.
- Postage stamps or a carrier's account number is required before DSHS lab will return empty packers.
- Hazmat labeling must be covered.



Helpful Websites

- http://hazmat.dot.gov
- http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/lab
- http://www.fedex.com/us/services/o ptions/dangerousgoods/declarationf orms.html
- http://www.dhlusa.com/home/home.asp