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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2003 No. 533**

**Packaging, Labelling and Carriage of Radioactive  
Material by Rail Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003**

**PART III**

**APPROVALS AND NOTIFICATIONS**

**Approval of shipments under special arrangement**

**17.—**(1) This regulation shall apply where it is impracticable for a consignment to comply with the requirements of RID and these Regulations which apply to that consignment.

(2) A person shall not cause or permit a shipment in the circumstances referred to in paragraph (1) except under special arrangement with the approval of the Secretary of State.

(3) The Secretary of State shall not approve a shipment under special arrangement unless he is satisfied that –

- (a) it is impracticable for the shipment to comply with the requirements of RID and these Regulations which apply to that shipment; and
- (b) the provisions for the shipment are such that the overall level of safety during the shipment is at least equivalent to that which would have been achieved if all the requirements of RID and these Regulations which apply to the shipment had been complied with.

(4) An application for the approval by the Secretary of State of a shipment under special arrangement –

- (a) shall be in writing; and
- (b) shall include the information referred to in RID paragraph 6.4.23.3.

(5) When granting an approval in respect of an application made pursuant to paragraph (4), the Secretary of State shall –

- (a) assign an identification mark which meets the requirements of RID paragraphs 6.4.23.9 and 6.4.23.10; and
- (b) include in the approval the information referred to in RID paragraph 6.4.23.12.