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Open Book Policy for the Certified Dangerous Goods Professional

ROCKVILLE, Maryland (26 October 2015) – The Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM) is pleased to announce changes to the open book policy for the Certified Dangerous Goods Professional (CDGP) credential. This revision allows the *Dangerous Goods Regulations*, published by International Air Transport Association (IATA) and *Air International Regulations for Shippers of Dangerous Goods, A.I.R Shipper* published by LabelMaster as references during the CDGP examination. CDGP Candidates can download the full open book policy at the IHMM website.

“IHMM revised the open book policy in response to comments on the use of the UN and ICAO regulations for the shipment of dangerous goods by air,” said L. Richie Spangler, IHMM Board Director. “CDGP Candidates asked that these new references be allowed because they are more commonly used and available. The IHMM’s CDGP Examination and Scheme committees agreed the new references are aligned with the UN and ICAO regulations.”

The CDGP examination requires a minimum of five years of relevant experience in the field of dangerous goods transportation. Candidates must also demonstrate through experience and examination that they have the knowledge and skills appropriate for dealing with the transportation and security of dangerous goods using the following regulations:

1. UN Recommendation on the Transport of Dangerous Goods – Model Regulation
2. International Civil Aviation Organization’s Technical Instructions (ICAO TI)
3. International Maritime Organization’s Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code)

About the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management

For over thirty years the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM), a not-for-profit organization founded in 1984, has been protecting the environment and the public’s health, safety, and security through the administration of credentials recognizing professionals who have demonstrated a high level of knowledge, expertise, and excellence in the management of hazardous materials and dangerous goods transport.

Over 16,000 homeland security, environmental protection, engineering, health sciences, transportation, and public safety professionals have earned IHMM’s accredited Certified Hazardous Materials Manager credential. IHMM also administers the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner and the Certified Dangerous Goods Professional credentials.

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