



## **IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations**

51<sup>st</sup> Edition (English)  
Effective 1 January 2010

### **Interpretation** **Revised 17 May 2010**

Users of the IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) are asked to note the following interpretation of the changes promulgated to the 51<sup>st</sup> edition DGR effective from 1 January 2010.

The current wording regarding the need to show dimensions found in 10.8.3.9.3 has been found to be generating some confusion.

This paragraph is intended to be permissive. That is, the use of "L", "W", and "H" before each dimension is not mandatory, as shown in the examples (Note: only 1 example contains the new dimensional qualifiers). The sequence, Length, Width (**or diameter**) then Height is mandatory, as well as the dimensional units, to ensure that airlines and ground handlers are able to ensure separation from persons in accordance with 9.3.10 and their Radiation Protection Program.

~~From 1 January 2011, the dimensional qualifiers ("L", "W", and "H") will be mandatory. It is suggested that work on shipper's declaration software and templates begin in advance of that date to ensure compliance.~~

**From 1 January 2011, the dimensional qualifiers ("L", "W" or "D" and "H") will continue to be permissive provided the dimensions are in the required sequence.**

Note: *Shipper's of radioactive material may use the dimensional qualifiers.*