6. If a container no longer complies with the technical conditions prescribed for its approval, it shall, before it can be used for the transport of goods under Customs seal, be restored to the condition which had justified its approval, so as to comply again with the said technical conditions.

7. If the essential characteristics of a container are changed, the container shall cease to be covered by the approval and shall be reapproved by the competent authority before it can be used for the transport of goods under Customs seal.

## Special provisions for approval by design type at the manufacturing stage

8. Where the containers are manufactured by type series, the manufacturer may apply to the competent authority of the country of manufacture for approval by design type.

9. The manufacturer shall state in his application the identification numbers or letters which he assigns to the type of container to which his application for approval relates.

10. The application shall be accompanied by drawings and a detailed design specification of the container type to be approved.

- 11. The manufacturer shall give an undertaking in writing that he will:
- (a) produce to the competent authority such containers of the type concerned as that authority may wish to examine;
- (b) permit the competent authority to examine further units at any time during the production of the type series concerned;
- (c) advise the competent authority of any change, of whatever magnitude, in the design or specification before proceeding with such change;
- (d) mark the containers in a visible place with, in addition to the markings required on the approval plate, the identification numbers or letters of the design type and the serial number of the container in the type series (manufacturer's number);
- (e) keep a record of containers manufactured to the approved design type.

12. The competent authority shall state what changes, if any, must be made to the proposed design type so that approval may be granted.

13. No type-approval by design type shall be granted unless the competent authority has satisfied itself by examination of one or more containers manufactured to the design type concerned that containers of that type comply with the technical conditions prescribed in Annex 4.

14. When a container type is approved there shall be issued to the applicant a single certificate of approval conforming to model No. II reproduced in appendix 2 to this Annex and valid for all containers manufactured in conformity with the specifications of the type so approved. Such certificate shall entitle the manufacturer to