Proposal to amendment to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/2011/10 (Strength of seats (Regulation No. 17))

Note: The modifications to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/2011/10 are marked in bold and strikethrough characters.

I. Proposal

Paragraph 5.3.4., amend to read:

"5.3.4. All seats which can be tipped **forward over** or have fold-on backs must lock automatically in **the position of use** normal **all positions**. This requirement does not apply to seats fitted in the wheelchair spaces of vehicles of category M2 or M3 of class I, II or A.;"

Insert a new paragraph 5.3.5., to read:

"5.3.5. Folding seat(s) must lock automatically in the folded position."

Insert a new paragraph 5.3.6., to read:

"5.3.6.5.3.5. However, folding seat(s) of vehicles of category M_2 or M_3 for use by the crew do not need to fulfil the requirements of paragraph 5.3.5.5.3.4."

Insert a new paragraph 6.1.4., to read:

"6.1.4. Folding seats shall be tested in tipped down position."

II. Justification

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/2011/10 proposes to require locking all seats which can be tipped or folded automatically in ALL positions. This may eventually require seats to be locked at all steps in the process of deployment/folding. However, we believe that the intention of this proposal is to require locking seats automatically in the final position of deployment/folding as appropriate. Then, the proposal should be modified to clearly reflect this intention.