

Proposal for draft amendments to Regulation No. 66
(Strength of superstructure)

Note: The proposed modifications to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2007/2 are marked in **bold** or ~~strikethrough~~ characters.

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 1., amend to read (including the insertion of a reference to footnote 1/ and the corresponding footnote 1/):

"1. SCOPE

1.1. This Regulation applies to single-deck rigid or articulated vehicles belonging to Classes II or III 1/. ~~designed and constructed for the carriage of more than 22 passengers, whether seated or standing, in addition to the driver and crew.~~

1.2. At the request of the manufacturer, approvals for **single-deck rigid or articulated** vehicles belonging to Classes ~~I, A or B~~ 1/ **other than II or III**, shall ~~shall~~ **may** be granted provided they comply with the prescriptions stated in this Regulation. **Contracting Parties are not obliged to accept the approvals granted in accordance with this paragraph.**

1/ As defined in Annex 7 to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of vehicles (R.E.3), (document TRANS/WP.29/78/Rev.1/Amend.2 as last amended by Amend.4)."

Paragraph 4.4.1., the reference to footnote 1/ and footnote 1/, renumber as footnote 2/ and amend to read:

"2/ 1 for Germany, 10 for Serbia, 50 for Malta, 51 for the Republic of Korea, 52 for Malaysia and 53 for Thailand. Subsequent numbers shall be assigned "

B. JUSTIFICATION

This proposal aims to align the scope of Regulation No. 66 with that of Annex IV of the European Union (EU) Directive 2001/85/EC. In addition, it allows granting type approvals to other classes of vehicles not covered by the mandatory scope of the Regulation, at the request of the manufacturer in order to guarantee a higher safety level.
