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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the sixty-first session^{1, 2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 27 January 2015 and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 29 January 2015.

¹ For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29grb/grbage.html). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by e-mail (grb@unece.org) or by fax (41 22 91 70 039). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations). For the translation of the official documents, delegates can access the public Official Document System (ODS) on the following website (<http://documents.un.org/>).

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II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with Chapter III, Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690, Amend.1 and Amend. 2) of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/1).

2. Regulation No. 28 (Audible warning devices)

The Working Party on Noise (GRB) agreed to resume discussion on the proposal tabled by the expert from the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA) proposing amendments to UN Regulation No. 28

(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2014/4), in particular, a reduction in the prescribed sound level of the audible warning device from 93 to 87 dB(A).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 3
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2014/4

3. Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles): Development

GRB is invited to consider a proposal by the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) to introduce the calculated engine speed for various types of transmission into Regulation No. 41.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/2

4. Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles)

(a) Development

At its previous session, GRB adopted the proposal for the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 51 and agreed to consider further proposals of the Informal Working Group (IWG) on Regulations Nos. 51 and 59 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/3). GRB also agreed to revert to the suggestion by Japan to keep references to ISO 10844:2011 in square brackets.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, paras. 5–7 and Annex III
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/3
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2014/5)*
(GRB-60-01)
(GRB-60-17)

(b) Additional sound emission provisions

GRB may wish to consider new proposals, if available.

5. Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems)

At its previous session, GRB adopted the proposal for the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 59 and agreed to consider further proposals of IWG on Regulations Nos. 51 and 59 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/4).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 9
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/4
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2014/6)
(GRB-60-01)

* Documents in brackets are for reference purposes only and will not be considered at the session.

6. Regulation No. 92 (Replacement exhaust silencing systems for motorcycles)

GRB may wish to discuss proposed amendments, if available.

7. Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)

GRB agreed to finalize its consideration of the revised proposal for new time measurement accuracy for instrumentation involved in the rolling resistance method (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2014/8) and may wish to be informed about the outcome of informal consultations between the experts concerned.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 12
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2014/8

8. Collective amendments: Additional provisions for Regulations Nos. 9, 41 and 63

GRB agreed to resume discussion on this subject on the basis of a new proposal by IMMA (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/5).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 13
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/5
(GRB-60-07)

9. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels

GRB agreed to continue its discussion of several studies presented by the experts from the Netherlands at the previous session. GRB will also be informed about details of a new regional regulation on internal noise that comes into force in the Russian Federation and other countries of the Customs Union in January 2015.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, paras. 14-17
GRB-60-03
GRB-60-08 and Add.1
GRB-60-13
GRB-60-14

10. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions

GRB agreed to resume the discussion on the influence of the road surface on tyre rolling sound emission and may wish to be informed about new studies and presentations on this issue.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 19

GRB-60-04 and Add.1

11. Quiet road transport vehicles

GRB is invited to resume discussion of this agenda item and will be informed about the activities of IWG on Quiet Road Transport Vehicles (QRTV) for GTR as well as of IWG on QRTV Regulation under the 1958 Agreement.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 20 and Annex VI
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/6
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/33

12. Definitions and acronyms in Regulations under the responsibility of GRB

GRB agreed to resume discussion on this subject on the basis of updated proposals to be submitted by OICA and IMMA.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 21
GRB-57-12
GRB-57-18

13. Proposals for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles

GRB may wish to consider proposals, if any, aimed at updating the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3). In particular, GRB will be informed about developing definitions for new categories of vehicles such as agricultural trailers and towed machinery.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 22
(GRB-60-02)

14. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) system and involvement of the Working Parties (GRs) in it

GRB may wish to consider this matter in light of the discussions at the November 2014 session of WP.29.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, paras. 23 and 24

15. Highlights of the November 2014 session of WP.29

GRB will be briefed by the secretariat about the highlights of the November 2014 session of WP.29 on GRB and common issues.

16. Exchange of views regarding the future work of GRB

GRB may wish to resume its exchange of views on issues which should be included in the future work. In particular, GRB agreed to consider if a reference to ISO 362-3 should be incorporated into Regulation No. 51.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/58, para. 26

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/57, para. 35

17. Other business

GRB may wish to consider any other subjects, if necessary.

18. Provisional agenda for the sixty-second session

GRB is invited to provide guidance with regard to the provisional agenda for the next session scheduled to be held in Geneva from 1 (starting at 2.30 p.m.) to 3 (concluding at 5.30 p.m.) September 2015.
