

Proposal to amend the 04 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 96

Proposal

Add new paragraph 11.31:

"11.31 Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may continue to grant approvals to those engines which comply with any previous sets of requirements, or to any level of this Regulation provided that the engines or the vehicles are intended for export to countries that apply the relating requirements in their national legislations."

Justification

1. UN Regulation No. 96 plays a primary role for all those Contracting Parties that intend to introduce in their national legislation exhaust emission legislation for agricultural tractors and non-road mobile machinery with a different pace compared to the one indicated in the Regulation.
2. This approach offers the opportunity to adapt the pace of improvement of environmental protection to different socio-economical contexts found in the various Contracting Parties and occasionally even in countries that are not signatories of the 1958 Agreement, but still accept such approvals.
3. From the industry point of view, having consistent requirements in the widest possible number of Contracting Parties, although shifted in time, offers the unique opportunity to build on previous engines development experiences.
4. The proposed new section, in line with UN Regulation No. 49, will allow the engine manufacturers to obtain in their home countries the approvals that will be necessary to place engines on the market in all other Contracting Parties accepting previous sets