Proposal for amendments to Regulation No. 34 (Prevention of fire risks)

The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from OICA. It proposes amendments to Regulation No. 34 to clarify the provisions with regard to protection of the tank. The modifications to the current text of UN Regulation No. 34 are marked in bold for new characters and strikethrough for deleted characters.

I. Proposal

*Paragraph 5.10.*, amend to read:

"5.10. There shall be no protruding parts, sharp edges, etc. near the *installed* tank likely to cause damage to the tank in the event of a collision to the front, the side or the rear of the vehicle. Tanks shall be installed in such a way as to be protected from the consequences of a collision to the front, the side or the rear of the vehicle."

II. Justification

The proposed changes aim at improving the wording, following the alignment proposed by France per document GRSG-112-09.

The current text is applied by the Technical Services at international level such that the general principle is indicated in the first sentence of the paragraph, and the way to apply it is described in its second part. OICA believes that the text can find enhanced clarity if the application requirement is clearly isolated in the paragraph.