

**OICA Comments on the EC proposal for
Corrigendum 1 to the 04 Series of amendments to Regulation No. 48**
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2008/18 as amended by informal document GRE-59-02)

N.B. This document replaces informal document GRE-59-11 (WP.29-144-16), which was referred to GRE by WP29, because a re-evaluation was necessary following the publication of GRE-59-02.

OICA has studied the revised transitional provisions proposed by the EC and is in complete agreement with them, except for the revised paragraph 12.16:-

“12.16. After 30 months for vehicles of categories M₁ and N₁ and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may refuse first national registration (first entry into service) of a vehicle which does not meet the requirements of the **04** series of amendments to this Regulation.”

This paragraph is completely unacceptable and OICA proposes that it should be deleted.

In contrast with all previous agreements regarding the 04 Series of Amendments, this paragraph would require vehicle types already approved to Regulation 48 to meet the requirements of the 04 series at the point of Registration, by the same dates which were previously agreed for approval of new vehicle types.

Such a proposal, never considered before, is completely unsuitable for inclusion in a Corrigendum as it would have very serious consequences for vehicle types already in production, requiring significant re-design and re-tooling of existing Vehicle Types.

The fact that GRE previously recognised that the requirements of the 04 series should be introduced for new vehicle types only, is illustrated by paragraph 12.14:-

*“12.14. **Approvals** granted under this Regulation before 30 months for vehicles of categories M1 and N1 and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments and all extensions of such approvals, **including those to a preceding series of amendments** to this Regulation granted subsequently, **shall remain valid indefinitely**. When the vehicle type”.*