

Proposal for draft amendments to Regulation No. 107 (M₂ and M₃ vehicles)

I. Proposal

Annex 8, paragraph 3.8.4.1.5., amend to read:

"3.8.4.1.5. a retractable handrail or any equivalent rigid and/or other device shall be fitted on the opposite side of the wheelchair space in order to restrict any lateral shift of the wheelchair and to allow the wheelchair user to grasp it easily. "

II. Justification

A good method of ensuring the lateral stability of a rearward facing wheelchair is by restraining it with a rigid device or with a flexible strap anchoring the wheelchair. The current text of Regulation n° 107 does not permit flexible straps but many bus operators ask for this. To be able to offer this flexibility to bus operators who have knowledge of the preferences of wheelchair users and who would like to be able to act according to their customers' preferences and concerns, CLCCR proposes to offer the flexibility of offering whichever device the bus operator finds best for his wheelchair customers.
