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COMMENT BY THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
TO THE DRAFT AMENDMENTS
TO ECE REGULATION No. 124
(REPLACEMENT WHEELS)

The Russian Federation experts agree with the proposal by Germany for amendments to the ECE Regulation No. 124.

However, the experts of the Russian Federation consider it necessary to focus attention on the proposed changes to paragraph 4. of Annex 6: “A negative test can be compensated by two positive tests”. To the opinion of the Russian Federation experts, conducting only two additional tests in the case of destruction of a wheel in the life cycle test is not sufficient.

For the parts affecting vehicle safety, such as wheels, the probability of non-destruction in the life cycle tests should be not less than 95%. In order to confirm this probability of non-destruction, a selection of 20 representative samples should be carried out, and only one sample in the course of tests is allowed to be destroyed.

Taking into account that 20 wheels perhaps is a too large set of samples, which can influence the duration of the tests for the purpose of official type approval, the experts of the Russian Federation propose, nevertheless, to consider the possibility of an increase of the number of additional tests in the case of a negative result at the first testing.
