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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda**Annotated provisional agenda for the fifty-seventh session**¹²

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 5 February 2013 and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 7 February 2013.

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I. Provisional agenda*

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5. Regulation No. 92 (Replacement exhaust silencing systems for motorcycles).
6. Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling noise and wet grip adhesion).
7. Collective amendments:
 - (a) Regulations Nos. 41, 51 and 59;
 - (b) Regulations Nos. 9 and 63.
8. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels.
9. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions.
10. Quiet Road Transport Vehicles.
11. Definitions and acronyms in Regulations under the responsibilities of GRB.
12. Proposal for amendments to Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles.
13. Environmentally Friendly Vehicles.
14. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) system and involvement of the Working Parties (GRs) in it.
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II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with Chapter III, Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690 and Amend.1) of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/1).

* Documents in brackets are for reference purpose only and will not be considered at the session.

2. Regulation No. 41 (Noise of motorcycles)

The Working Party on Noise (GRB) agreed to resume consideration on a proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/5) providing harmonized definitions on vehicle type concerning noise, the terms noise and sound on the basis of further information provided by the expert from the Russian Federation. GRB also agreed to resume consideration on a proposal for updating the references to International Organization for Standardization (ISO) standards into the Regulation, if available.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, paras. 3 and 4
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/5

3. Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles)

(a) Development

GRB agreed to resume discussion on the updating of the ISO references to the noise test track from ISO 10844:1994 to ISO 10844:2011 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/16 and ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/17). GRB also agreed to resume consideration of a consolidated proposal of the 03 series of amendments tabled by the expert from the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA) (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/8). Moreover, GRB might consider a revised document prepared by the experts from the Netherlands, the European Association of Automobile Suppliers (CLEPA) and OICA on a new layout for the communication form, if available. Finally, GRB would resume consideration on a revised proposal introducing amendments to the test method tabled by the expert from China and ISO, if available.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, paras. 6-9
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB2012/8
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/16
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/17
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/4
Informal documents GRB-56-12

(b) New limit values

GRB agreed to resume discussion on the noise limit values in method B on the basis of the proposal tabled by (i) the expert from Germany (GRB-54-03), (ii) on an alternative proposal of new limits tabled by the expert from Japan (GRB-55-01, GRB-56-01, GRB-56-05 and ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/7), (iii) on another alternative proposal tabled by the expert from China (GRB-56-07) and (iv) on the basis of existing test data and on those provided by the experts from China, Japan and European Commission (EC).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, paras. 10-13
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/7
Informal documents GRB-54-03, GRB-55-01, GRB-56-01, GRB-56-05 and GRB-56-07

(c) **Additional sound emission provisions**

GRB agreed to review the new provisions on Additional Sound Emission Provisions (ASEP) to refine the purpose of the new noise limit values. (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/52, paras. 8–9).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/64

4. Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems)

GRB agreed to resume consideration of this subject on the basis of a concrete proposal for amendments, prepared by the expert from CLEPA, if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, para. 15).

5. Regulation No. 92 (Replacement exhaust silencing systems for motorcycles)

GRB might wish to continue discussion on proposed amendments, if available.

6. Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling noise and wet grip adhesion)

GRB might wish to consider a revised proposal amending the procedure for the snow test method for C3 tyres by the expert from European Tyre and Rim Technical Organisation (ETRTO). Moreover, GRB agreed to resume consideration of a proposal to align Annex 6 of the UN Regulation to the ISO standard 28580 and to update the reference to the ISO standard of the test track (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/2). Moreover, GRB may wish to resume consideration of a proposal tabled by the expert from the Russian Federation aimed at providing detailed elaboration of the concept of tire deceleration in the test technology, pending the clarification of the reference to the "deceleration calculator" mentioned in the proposal.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, paras. 19-21
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/2
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/3
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/5
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/15
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/18)

7. Collective amendments

(a) **Regulations Nos. 41, 51 and 59**

GRB may wish to examine a proposal by the expert from the Netherlands harmonizing the use of the terminology used in certain Regulations, if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/53, para. 16).

(b) **Regulation Nos. 9 and 63**

GRB might wish to consider further proposals of amendments, if available.

8. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels

GRB may wish to continue the exchange of views on developing national or regional legislation and international requirements concerning noise levels. Moreover, GRB agreed to continue exchange of information on the basis of data concerning noise value declared by manufacturers for each different tyre classes (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, para. 24).

9. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions

GRB is expected to receive new information on studies developed by the expert from ETRTO on this subject.

10. Quiet Road Transport Vehicles

GRB agreed to resume discussion of this agenda item, awaiting the outcome of the informal working group on quiet road transport vehicles (QRTV).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, para. 26
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/6
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/33

11. Definitions and acronyms in Regulations under the responsibilities of GRB.

GRB agreed to resume discussion on this subject on the basis of proposals voluntarily prepared by the experts from OICA, CLEPA and International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA), if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, para. 27).

12. Proposal for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles

GRB agreed to resume consideration on a revised proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/12) tabled by the expert from the Russian Federation aimed at updating the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3), if available.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, para. 28
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/12

13. Environmentally Friendly Vehicles

GRB will continue exchanging views on this matter. (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/52, para. 21).

14. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) system and involvement of the Working Parties (GRs) in it

GRB may wish to consider this matter following the discussion held during the November 2012 session of the World forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations.

15. Other business

GRB may wish to consider any other subjects, if necessary.
