

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

The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Germany to amend the requirements concerning the accessibility of emergency windows as presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2012/15 following the discussion of GRSG during its 103rd session. The modifications to the existing text of the draft are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

I. Proposal

Annex 3, paragraph 7.7.3.2., amend to read:

"7.7.3.2. The direction of motion of the test gauge shall be in the direction in which a passenger evacuating the vehicle would be expected to move. The test gauge shall be kept perpendicular to that direction of motion **and shall not meet any obstacle.**

~~**In the case of an emergency window in the rear face of the vehicle, intrusion of headrests or other parts of seats shall be allowed provided they can be easily moved out of the way. The main action for moving the components from the escape path shall be in the direction of "**~~

II. Justification

Paragraph 7.7.3.2.

When discussing the previous draft ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2012/15 to amend paragraph 7.7.3.2. during the 103rd session of GRSG, it became evident that the original proposal did not meet consent due to the special treatment of the accessibility of an emergency window in the rear face of a bus/coach.

The proposal above applies to any emergency window, disregarding its position. It furthermore introduces uniform requirements concerning the accessibility of emergency windows, thus clarifying that no obstacles are allowed which might delay the egress of the passengers in the case of an emergency.
