

Proposal for an amendment to Regulation No. 54 (Tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers).

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I. Proposal

3. Markings

Paragraph 3.1.5, Amend to read:

- 3.1.5. The inscription M+S or M.S or M&S if the tyre is classified in the category of use "snow tyre"; **or if the tyre is classified in the category of use "special use tyre" when declared by the tyre manufacturer at paragraph 4.1.3. as complying also with the definition given in §2.2.2.**

Paragraph 3.1.12, Amend to read:

- 3.1.12. The inscription "MPT" (or alternatively "ML" or "ET") and /or "POR" if the tyre is classified in the category of use "special use tyre". **In addition, they may also bear the inscription M+S or M.S or M&S.**
ET means Extra Tread, ML stands for Mining and Logging, MPT means Multi-Purpose Truck and POR means Professional Off Road ^{6/};

4. Application for approval

Paragraph 4.1.3, Amend to read:

- 4.1.3. Category of use (normal tyre, snow tyre, special use tyre);
- 4.1.3.1. For the tyres belonging to the category of use "special use tyre" those which may bear the inscription M+S or M.S or M&S.**

6. Specifications

Paragraph 6.1.5.3.3, Amend to read:

- 6.1.5.3.3. For ~~snow~~ **tyres of the category of use "snow tyre"** the outer diameter (Dmax) established in conformity with the above may be exceeded by 1 per cent.

II. Justification

1. Current UN Regulation N° 54 does not consider the case where a tyre designed for a "special" application can also fulfil the definition of a "snow" tyre. In this case, if declared by the tyre manufacturer, the tyre has to be marked with the inscription M+S or M.S or M&S while remaining in the category of use "special".
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