

Proposal for amendments to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/6

This proposal aims to prevent the proposed amendment of paragraph 6.2.3. concerning the exemption of the ASEP procedure for vehicles with internal combustion engine which is not operational within the control range of Annex 7. The amendments in the text of ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/6 are presented in red colour.

I. Proposal

~~Paragraph 6.2.3., amend to read:~~

"6.2.3. Additional sound emission provisions

The Additional Sound Emission Provisions (ASEP) apply only to vehicles of categories M₁ and N₁ equipped with an internal combustion engine, ~~which is operational within the control range of Annex 7.~~

II. Justification

ASEP has been set up for making shure that sound emissions of vehicles remain in liveable limits. Today, even if the internal combustion engine of hybrid vehicles is not operational within the control range of Annex 7 the vehicle manufacturer remains responsible for a «reasonable sound emissions behaviour» even outside of ASEP, not legally but at least by following common sense. This, due to the signed Statement of compliance with the additional sound emission provisions (Annex 7 – Appendix). On the contrary, exempting from ASEP vehicles whose combustion engine is not operational during the control range of Annex 7 means to release any responsibility from the vehicle manufacturer for the vehicle's sound emissions behaviour outside of ASEP.
