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Vehicle Agreements
periodic technical inspection

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Why Periodic Technical Inspections

Vehicle Lifecycle

- Evidence base:
  - Technical defects related to fatal accidents (based on in-depth accident analysis)
    - 8 to 15% in high income countries (EU)
    - 15 to 25% in middle income countries
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- Potential for Georgia

90 to 120 fatalities less
Why Periodic Technical Inspections

- So called “low hanging fruit”
- Immediate effect on road safety
- Covers existing fleet

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1997 Agreement main provisions

- Treaty body Administrative Committee AC.4
  - Quorum
  - Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
  - Body where votes take place

- Provisions on establishing/amending Rules
  - Amendments voted in AC.4 and submitted to Secretary General (NY) by secritariat
  - Notification by Secretary General
  - Contracting Parties six month following notification for rejection (1/3 of CPs)
  - Entry into force immediately after end of six month notification

- Rules shall cover
  - Scope and frequency; items (equipment and/or parts) to be inspected; test methods; conditions for granting inspection certificate and date of entry into force

1997 Agreement main provisions (cont.)

- Provisions on amending the agreement
  - Amendments to be proposed by a Contracting Party to Secretary General (NY)
  - Notification by Secretary General
  - Contracting Parties six month following notification for rejection
  - Entry into force three month following end of 6 month notification period only if NO Contracting Party rejected

- Reciprocal recognition of Inspection Certificates in international traffic
- Harmonized International vehicle Inspection Certificate (incl. specimen)
- Accession to agreement and application of rules
- Disputes and arbitration procedures
1997 Agreement main provisions (cont.)

- Proposed amendments to the agreement
  - Including definitions of roadworthiness and approval,
  - Deficiencies, inspector, competent authority
  - Test center and supervising body
  - ....

- Possibility of electronic Inspection Certificates
- Amendment to content of inspection certificant (mileage at test)
- New Appendix on Conformity of periodic technical inspection process
  - System for authorisation, supervision, withdrawal, suspension or cancellation of authorisation including requirements for
  - Testing facilities and equipment; testing centres, inspectors and supervision

1997 Agreement – Rules Nos. 1 and 2

- Rule 1 focuses on environmental issues
  - Pollutant emissions, noise and leakages

- Rule 2 focuses safety related issues
  - Identification of the vehicle;
  - Braking equipment;
  - Steering;
  - Visibility;
  - Lighting equipment and parts of electric system;
  - Axles, wheels, tyres, suspension;
  - Chassis and chassis attachments;
  - Other equipment;
  - Additional inspections of vehicles for the commercial carriage of passengers.

- Contains: scope, test frequency, inspection items, test methods, reason for failures and guidance on assessment of defects
1997 Agreement – Rules Nos. 1 and 2

- Proposed amendments to the agreement
  - Extend scope to M1 and N1 vehicles
  - Maximum intervals between two consecutive inspections (M1, N1: 4-2-2; N2,N3,M2,M3,O3,O4 and taxis & ambulances 1-1-1)
  - System of severity of defects (minor-major dangerous)
  - Clear assessment of defects according to their severity
  - Final assessment of vehicle in accordance to the most severe defect (taking into consideration combined effects of defects)
  - Introduce testing of electronic controlled systems

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1997 Agreement – Rule 1 & Rule 2

3. Periodicity of technical inspections

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<th>Vehicle Categories</th>
<th>Maximum Inspection Intervals</th>
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<td>Passenger-carrying motor vehicles: M1, except taxis and ambulances</td>
<td>Four years after the first entry into service of the first registration and every two years thereafter</td>
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<td>Goods vehicles: N1</td>
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<td>One year after the first entry into service of the first registration and annually thereafter</td>
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<td>Trailers: O2 and O4</td>
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1997 Agreement – Rule 1 & Rule 2

7.2. Deficiencies that are found during periodic testing of vehicles shall be categorized in one of the following groups:

(a) “Minor deficiencies” having no significant effect on the safety of the vehicle or on its impact on the environment, and other minor non-compliances;

(b) “Major deficiencies” that may prejudice the safety of the vehicle or have an impact on the environment or put other road users at risk, or other more significant non-compliances;

(c) “Dangerous deficiencies”, constituting a direct and immediate risk to road safety or having an impact on the environment which justifies that, a Member State or its competent authorities may prohibit the use of the vehicle on public roads.

7.3. A vehicle having deficiencies falling into more than one of the deficiency groups referred to in paragraph 7.2. above shall be classified in the group corresponding to the more serious deficiency. A vehicle showing several deficiencies within the same inspection area as identified in the scope of the test referred to in paragraph 2 of Annex I, may be classified in the next most serious deficiency group if it can be demonstrated that the combined effect of those deficiencies results in a higher risk to road safety.

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<th>Minor</th>
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<td>With vehicle on a flat or level and the weight of the vehicle on all wheels on the ground, rotate steering/handle bar wheel clockwise and anti-clockwise or using a specially adapted wheel play detector. Visual inspection of the attachment of gear casing to chassis.</td>
<td>(a)</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>(b)</td>
<td>Elongated fixing holes in chassis.</td>
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<td>Loose or fractured fixing bolts.</td>
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<td>(d)</td>
<td>Steering gear casing fractured. Stability or attachment of casing affected.</td>
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<td>With the vehicle on a flat or level and the weight of the vehicle on all wheels on the ground, rotate steering/handle bar wheel clockwise and anti-clockwise or using a specially adapted wheel play detector. Visual inspection of steering components for wear, fractures and security.</td>
<td>(a)</td>
<td>Relative movement between components which should be fixed. Excessive movement or likely to unlatch.</td>
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<td>(b)</td>
<td>Excessive wear at pads.</td>
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<td>Fractures or deformation of any component.</td>
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<td>(d)</td>
<td>Absence of locking devices.</td>
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<td>(e)</td>
<td>Misalignment of components (e.g. Track rod or drag link)</td>
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<td>(f)</td>
<td>Unsafe modification(1)</td>
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1997 Agreement – Resolution R.E.6

• Establishes minimum requirements for a PTI regime and details specific administrative and technical provisions for PTI

• Minimum requirements for technical inspection facilities and test equipment
  • Test lane with pit or lift
  • Equipment for brake testing; wheel play detector; sound meter; emission test devices (4-gas analyser / smoke meter); headlamp aiming device; tread depth meter; OBD scan tool and LPG/CNG/LNG leakage detector
  • Calibration requirements

1997 Agreement – Resolution R.E.6 (cont.)

• Minimum requirements concerning competence, training and certification of inspectors
  • Areas of knowledge and experience
  • Initial and refresher training / examination
  • Certificate of competence

• Supervising bodies
  • tasks and activities of supervising bodies
  • requirements concerning supervising bodies
  • Contents of rules and procedures
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Technical Roadside Inspections

Mainly, but not only, for commercial transport
Different areas to be covered

- Driver permit
- Transport license
- Vehicle registrations
- Weights and dimensions
- Driving time and Resting time (AETR)
- Transport of dangerous goods (ADR)
- Technical condition of vehicles
- Securing of cargo

⇒ need for specialised body & good cooperation with police

⇒ need for specialised equipment need for intelligent selection tool (risk rating)
Vehicle import

- **New vehicle**
  - Approved type
    - National TA document
    - Vehicle registration

- **Not approved type**
  - Individual approval
    - Documentation
    - Testing
  - National IA document
  - Vehicle registration

- **Used vehicle**
  - Approved type
    - Individual approval based on TA
    - National IA document
    - Periodic technical inspection
    - Vehicle registration

- **Not approved type**
  - Individual approval based
    - Documentation
    - Testing
  - National IA document
  - Periodic technical inspection
  - Vehicle registration

Vehicle Registration

- **Main purpose**
  - Final permission to use in road traffic
  - Identification of vehicle by issuing a registration plate and a corresponding registration certificate

- **Preconditions for registration:**
  - Vehicle approval
  - Periodic technical inspection
  - Third party liability insurance
  - Payment of duties and fees
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