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Consideration of draft amendments to existing
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Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 03 series of amendments to
UN Regulation No. 129 (Enhanced Child Restraint Systems)

Submitted by the Working Party on Passive Safety *

The text reproduced below was adopted by the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP) at its sixty-fifth session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/66, para. 40). ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/2019/35, as amended by Annex VIII to the report. It is submitted to the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) and to the Administrative Committee (AC.1) for consideration at their June 2020 sessions.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2020 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2020 (A/74/6 (part V sect. 20) para 20.37), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
Paragraph 5.3., amend to read:

"5.3. Notice of approval or of extension or refusal of approval of an Enhanced Child Restraint Systems pursuant to this Regulation shall be communicated to the Parties to the Agreement which apply this Regulation by means of a form conforming to the model in Annex 1 to this Regulation."

Paragraph 6.3.1.1., amend to read:

"6.3.1.1. The Enhanced Child Restraint System manufacturer shall declare in writing that the toxicity of materials used in the manufacture of restraint systems and accessible to the restrained child is in conformity with the test requirements of EN 71-3:2019, for a Category III material as defined in paragraph 4.2. Table 2 and following the test method of paragraph 7.2., specifically paragraph 7.2.2., Table 3, Category III sampling method. Tests confirming the validity of the declaration may be carried out at the discretion of the Technical Service. This paragraph does not apply to non-integral ECRS with a stature range of 100 cm or above."

Paragraph 6.3.2., amend to read:

"6.3.2. General characteristics

The manufacturer shall declare the maximum and minimum stature of the child that may use each configuration of the Enhanced Child Restraint System.

The stature range shall be verified by measuring the internal geometric characteristics according to paragraph 6.3.2.1., while the external dimensions are adjusted to fit within the applicable size envelope according to paragraph 6.3.2.2."
above 135 cm, provided it fits within the applicable size envelope when adjusted for a child of 135 cm stature. If the maximum child stature that fits within the envelope is less than 135 cm, the booster seat shall be categorised as specific vehicle for statures included in the declared range that no longer fit within the envelope.”

*Paragraph 6.6.4.3.1.*, amend to read:

"6.6.4.3.1. Injury assessment criteria for frontal and …

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Resultant head acceleration 3 ms

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Resultant chest acceleration 3 ms

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*6.6.4.4.1.1. Forward facing Enhanced Child Restraint Systems*

Non-integral booster cushion: No part of the head of the dummy shall pass beyond the planes BA and DA as defined in Figure 1 below.

This shall be judged up to 300 ms or the moment that the dummy has come to a definitive standstill, whatever occurs first.

When testing using Q10 dummy the following apply:

(a) The value in relation to the BA plane is 550 mm; and
(b) The value in relation to the DA plane is 840 mm; and
(c) The rebound phase is not considered for the assessment of the plane DA.
(d) In case of dummy contact with a rigid part of the test bench in the rebound phase, the head acceleration criterion during that contact shall not be considered.”

*Paragraph 6.6.4.4.2., amend to read:*

"6.6.4.4.2. When Enhanced Child Restraint Systems …, the head performance criterion (HPC) and the resultant head acceleration 3 ms shall be … ”

*Paragraph 6.6.4.5.2., amend to read:*

" 6.6.4.5.2. Additional injury assessment criteria for lateral impact …"
Paragraph 7.1.3., amend to read:

"7.1.3. Dynamic testing for frontal, rear and lateral impact:

(a) Frontal impact tests shall be performed on all Enhanced Child Restraint Systems within the scope of this regulation.

(b) Rear impact tests shall be performed on all Rearward and Lateral facing Enhanced Child Restraint Systems within the scope of this regulation;

(c) Lateral impact tests shall be performed on all Enhanced Child Restraint Systems within the scope of this regulation, except built-in systems and booster cushions;

(d) The ECRS shall ...

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Paragraph 8.1., amend to read:

" 8.1. The test report shall record the results of all tests and measurements including the following test data:

(a) ...

…

(i) The following dummy criteria: HPC, Resultant head acceleration Cum 3 ms, Upper neck tension force, Upper neck moment, Resultant chest acceleration Cum 3 ms, Chest deflection, Abdominal pressure (in frontal and rear impact), and …"

Paragraph 9.2.2., amend to read:

"9.2.2. Dynamic tests for lateral impact

The monitoring of resultant head acceleration ...

Annex 6-Appendix 2

Paragraph 2., amend to read:

"2. Enhanced Child Restraint Systems in the i-Size and specific vehicle categories shall use the following anchorage points: H_1 and H_2."

Annex 18., amend to read:

"Annex 18

Geometrical dimensions of Enhanced Child Restraint Systems

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Table 1"
Applicable to all ECRS

Additional internal dimensions for ECRS with impact shield systems

Figure 2
ECRS Measurement Device - Side and Front View of the measuring device

All dimensions in mm

Figure 3
Side and Front View of the measuring device for measurements applicable to Enhanced Child Restraint Systems that feature an impact shield
Internal geometry assessment method

This method describes how to conduct the internal geometry assessment, as required by paragraph 6.3.2.1., to verify the stature range of the Enhanced Child Restraint System declared by the manufacturer.

This assessment shall be carried out for each of the following:

(a) For each ECRS orientation (e.g. rearward and forward facing);
(b) For each ECRS type (e.g. integral and non-integral);
(c) For any removable insert (e.g. for use as described by manufacturer’s instructions);
(d) For each occupant restraint method (e.g. harness and shield).

The internal geometry assessment should be conducted with the ECRS placed on a flat surface or connected to a base in the case of ECRS modules.

For integral or non-integral ECRS the device shown in Annex 18, Figure 2 shall be used.

For ECRS with an impact shield the device shown in Annex 18, Figure 3 shall be used.

The mass of the devices described in Figure 2 and Figure 3 shall be 10 kg +/- 1 kg.

1. Determining the Minimum Occupant size

The ECRS should be adjusted to fit the smallest occupant (i.e. headrest height, harness height adjustment, appropriate insert, internal padding, impact shield position), while still fitting within the required ISO volumetric envelope as defined in paragraph 6.3.2.2.

The measurement device shall then be placed in the ECRS. The device shall be aligned centrally to the ECRS.

All measurements shall be taken with the device base in contact with the seat pan of the ECRS and the device backrest in contact with the backrest of the ECRS. All lateral dimensions shall be measured under a contact force of 50 N with the devices described in Figure 2 and Figure 3 of this annex.

The measurements shall be taken in the following order:

1.1. Minimum Shoulder Height (E1)

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1.1.2. For non-integral ECRS

This measurement shall be taken when the top of the shoulder height cylinders of the device are aligned without interference with the lowest part of the headrest. A 2 cm tolerance may be subtracted from the minimum shoulder height measurement.

1.1.3. For ECRS with an impact shield
This measurement shall be taken when the top of the shoulder height cylinders of the device are aligned without interference with the lowest part of the headrest. A 2 cm tolerance may be subtracted from the minimum shoulder height measurement.

…

2. Determining the Maximum Occupant Size

The measurement … to the ECRS.

All measurements shall be taken with the device base in contact with the seat pan of the ECRS and the device backrest in contact with the backrest of the ECRS. All lateral dimensions shall be measured under a contact force of 50 N with the devices described in Figure 2 and Figure 3 of this annex.

The measurements shall then be taken in the following order:

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