Proposal for changes to document GRSG/2020/21

UN Regulation No. 118 (Burning behaviour of Materials)

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 I. Proposal

*Paragraphs 12.16. to 12.18*., amend to read:

“**12.16.  As from 1 September 2023, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not be obliged to accept type-approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued after 1 September 2023.**

**12.17.  Until 1 September 2025, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall accept type-approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued before 1 September 2023.**

**12.18.  As from 1 September 2025, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not be obliged to accept type-approvals issued to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.**”

 II. Justification

1. The proposal from BMFE suggests one year only between the date of entry into force of the amendments and date of mandatory compliance for the New Types of vehicles. The good practice at UNECE is to provide a period of 2 years at least.
2. The requirements in the text are totally new, the manufacturers and their suppliers need time to adapt their products, in particular the existing ones.
3. The proposed dates in addition align on those proposed for UN R107, which makes sense since the changes affect the same vehicles.