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Regulations Nos. 69, 70 and 104

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the experts from CLEPA at the request of the GRE during its fifty-seventh session in March 2007 to align the physical testing requirements and introduce additional water/solution flow requirements into Regulation No. 104, as well as a comprehensive set of tolerances across all three Regulations: Regulation No. 104, Regulation No. 69 and Regulation No. 70. The modifications to the current text of Regulation No. 104 are marked in bold characters.
A. PROPOSAL

Annex 8

Paragraph 5.2.1., amend to read:

"5.2.1 When subjected to a continuous spraying action for 60 seconds on the test component in its normal mounting conditions, a test sample shall show no damage to the retro-reflective surface or delamination from the substrate or separation from the sample mounting surface under the following set-up parameters:

(a) Water/wash solution pressure 8 ± 0.2 MPa;
(b) Water/wash solution temperature 60° - 5 °C;
(c) Water/wash solution flow rate 7 ± 1 l/min;
(d) The tip of the cleaning wand to be positioned at distance of 600 ± 20 mm away from the retro-reflective surface;
(e) Cleaning wand to be held at no greater angle than 45 degrees from perpendicular to the retro-reflective surface;
(f) 40 degree nozzle creating wide fan pattern."

B. JUSTIFICATION

This proposal introduces a new value for the "water/wash solution flow rate" and new tolerance parameters to ensure that uniform test results are obtained during performance testing of retro-reflective materials by different Contracting Parties.

This proposal augments the draft proposals introduced by India during the fifty-seventh session of GRE to amend Regulation No. 69 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2006/39) and Regulation No. 70 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2006/40), and may be considered by GRE in conjunction with the above documents as well as CLEPA proposals to amend them.