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Regulation No. 106 (Pneumatic tyres for agricultural vehicles)

Proposal for draft amendments to Regulation No. 106

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the European Tyre and Rim Technical Organization (ETRTO) in order to align the provisions of the Regulation with those of Regulations Nos. 30, 54 and 75. It is based on informal document No. GRRF-63-14, distributed at the sixty-third session of the Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF) (see report ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRRF/63, para. 31). The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold characters or as strikethrough.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 5.3., amend to read:

"5.3. Notice of approval or extension or refusal or withdrawal of approval or production definitively discontinued of a type of pneumatic tyre pursuant to this Regulation shall be communicated to the Parties to the 1958 Agreement which apply this Regulation, by means of a form conforming to the model in Annex 1 to this Regulation and of a photograph or of drawings supplied by the applicant for approval, in a format not exceeding A4 (210 x 297 mm) or folded to that format and on an appropriate scale."

Paragraph 5.4.2., amend to read:

"5.4.2. An approval number. The number of this Regulation, followed by the letter "R", a dash and the type approval number."

B. JUSTIFICATION

When comparing the paragraphs dealing with the type approval of pneumatic tyres of the following four Regulations:
Regulation No. 30: tyres for passenger cars,
Regulation No. 54: tyres for commercial vehicles,
Regulation No. 75: tyres for motorcycles, and
Regulation No. 106: tyres for agricultural vehicles,
A discrepancy appears in paragraph 5.3. specifying, respectively:

Regulation No. 30:
"Notice of approval or of extension or refusal or withdrawal of approval or production definitively discontinued of a type of pneumatic tyre pursuant to this Regulation shall be communicated to the Parties to the 1958 Agreement applying this Regulation, by means of a form conforming to the model in Annex 1 to this Regulation."

Regulation No. 54:
"Notice of approval or of refusal of approval of a type of pneumatic tyre 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."

Regulation No. 75:
"Notice of approval or of refusal or of extension or withdrawal of approval of a type of pneumatic tyre pursuant to this Regulation shall be communicated to the Parties to the Agreement applying this Regulation, by means of a form conforming to the model in Annex 1 to this Regulation."
Regulation No. 106:

"Notice of approval or of refusal of approval of a type of pneumatic tyre 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 and of a photograph or of drawings supplied by the applicant for approval, in a format not exceeding A4 (210 x 297 mm) or folded to that format and on an appropriate scale."

ETRTO therefore suggests revising paragraph 5.3. in Regulation No. 106 harmonizing all requirements with those of the same paragraph specified in the other three Regulations. It is proposed to adopt the text of Regulation No. 30 which is the most up-to-date.

Annex 2 of Regulation No. 106, showing the example of the type-approval number, requires the marking of the number of the Regulation followed by R and by the type approval number. Therefore it is proposed to modify paragraph 5.4.2. in conformity with the requirements of Annex 2.