

Proposal for the 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)

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I. Proposal

Requirements

Paragaraph 8.1.7.., amend to read:

- "8.1.7. Every seating position in Annex 16 marked with the symbol •, three-point belts of a type specified in Annex 16 shall be provided unless one of the following conditions is fulfilled, in which case two-point belts of a type specified in Annex 16 may be provided.
- 8.1.7.1. There is a seat or other parts of the vehicle conforming to Regulation No. 80, Appendix 1, paragraph 3.5. directly in front, or
- 8.1.7.2. No part of the vehicle is in the reference zone, or capable of being in the reference zone when the vehicle is in motion, or
- 8.1.7.3. Parts of the vehicle within the said reference zone comply with the energy absorbing requirements set out in Regulation No 80, Appendix 6.
- 8.1.7.4. Paragraphs 8.1.7.1. – 8.1.7.3. shall not apply to a driver's seat."**

Transitional Provisions, insert new paragraphs 15.11. to 15.14., to read:

- “15.11. As from the official date of entry into force of the 08 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this UN Regulation shall refuse to grant or refuse to accept UN type-approvals under this UN Regulation as amended by the 08 series of amendments.**
- 15.12. As from 1 September [2019], Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall not be obliged to accept UN type-approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued after 1 September [2019].**
- 15.13. Until 1 September [2020], Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall accept UN type-approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued before 1 September 20[19].**
- 15.14. As from 1 September [2020], Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall not be obliged to accept type-approvals issued to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.”**

Annex 2, amend to read

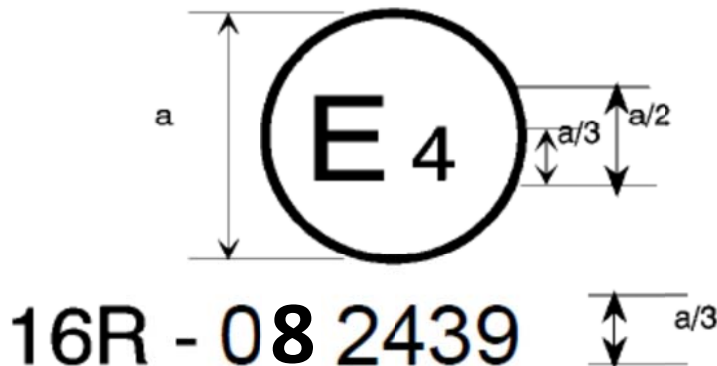
“ANNEX 2

ARRANGEMENTS OF THE APPROVAL MARKS

1. Arrangements of the vehicle approval marks concerning the installation of safety belts

Model A

(See paragraph 5.2.4. of this Regulation)

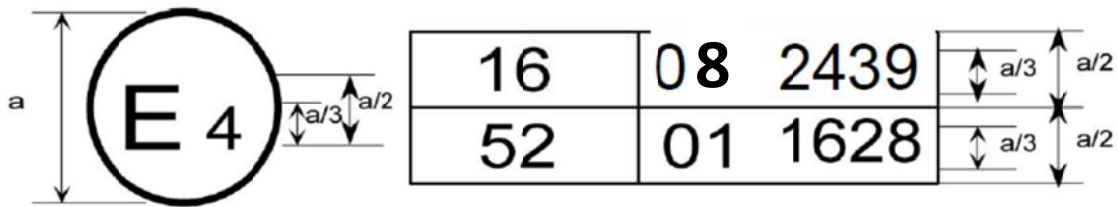


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The above approval mark affixed to a vehicle shows that the vehicle type concerned has, with regard to safety-belts, been approved in the Netherlands (E 4) pursuant to Regulation No. 16. The approval number indicates that the approval was granted according to the requirements of Regulation No. 16 as amended by the 06 8 series of amendments.

Model B

(See paragraph 5.2.5. of this Regulation)



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The above approval mark affixed to a vehicle shows that the vehicle type concerned has been approved in the Netherlands (E 4) pursuant to Regulations Nos. 16 and 52¹⁾. The approval numbers indicate that, at the dates when the respective approvals were given, Regulation No. 16 included the 06 8 series of amendments and Regulation No. 52 the 01 series of amendments.

¹⁾ The second number is given merely as an example.

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II. Justification

Currently opinions differ between different Technical Services which requirements to apply and how to approve a driver's seat with regard to its seat-belt. The proposed amendments clarify that for a driver's seat only a 3-point-belt shall be permitted.