

DISCUSSION FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION Nos. 51, 59, and 117

As discussed during the 53rd session of GRB, has available new versions of ISO International Standards presently used by ECE in various regulations.

I. Proposal

A. Discussion on amendments to Regulation No. 51, 59, and 117

As presented by ISO in the 52nd and 53rd sessions of GRB, ISO has revised the ISO 10844 test measurement surface used for vehicle and tire noise in the above referenced regulations. The latest revision has been published by ISO in February 2011. ISO would like to request the opinion of GRB on the manner to incorporate ISO 10844 into the applicable regulations. ISO would like to offer cooperation with GRB Contracting Parties and accredited NGOs to prepare proposals for amended regulatory text that will incorporate ISO 10844:2011 as soon as can be practicable and to provide for transition provisions for use of the new requirements.

B. Discussion on amendments to Regulation No. 51 (03 series of amendments)

As presented by ISO at the 53rd session of GRB, ISO is presently revising ISO 362-1:2007 to incorporate comments from the three year technical review and also to reflect comments received from GRB. As Regulation 51 is in the process of extensive amendment, ISO sees the clear need to cooperate with other Contracting Parties and accredited NGOs to prepare a consolidated regulatory text that will incorporate the agreed comments to ISO 362-1:2007 that are expected to be included in the re-published and updated version, ISO 362-1: 201X.

II. Justification

GRB has long used ISO 10844 and the ISO 362 series of standards as the part of technical basis for the referenced regulations. Due to the state of the development of these regulations, ISO sees the need for cooperation with other GRB participants to prepare amendments to incorporate both technical updates as well as to propose the necessary transitional provisions to bring these technical developments into force on an agreeable time schedule.
