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#### Working Party on Noise

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

#### Adoption of the agenda

## Annotated provisional agenda for the sixty-third session<sup>1,2</sup>

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 16 February 2016 and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 18 February 2016.

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<sup>1</sup> For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Sustainable Transport Division's website ([www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29grb/grbage.html](http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29grb/grbage.html)). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by e-mail ([grb@unece.org](mailto:grb@unece.org)) or by fax (41 22 917 00 39). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations). For the translation of the official documents, delegates can access the public Official Document System (ODS) on the following website (<http://documents.un.org/>).

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## **II. Annotations**

### **1. Adoption of the agenda**

In accordance with Chapter III, Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690, Amend.1 and Amend. 2) of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2016/1).

#### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2016/1

## **2. Regulation No. 28 (Audible warning devices)**

The Working Party on Noise (GRB) agreed to consider a revised text of Regulation No. 28 as proposed by the expert from the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2016/2 and GRB-63-01).

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, para. 3

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2016/2

Informal document GRB-63-01

## **3. Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles): Development**

GRB is invited consider new proposals, if any.

## **4. Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles)**

### **(a) Development**

GRB will be informed about the entry into force of the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 51 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2016/62). GRB will also note that a draft Supplement 1 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 51 has been submitted to WP.29 for consideration at its March 2016 session.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/59, paras. 7–8 and Annex III

(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2016/62)\*

### **(b) Additional sound emission provisions**

GRB may wish to consider new proposals, if available.

## **5. Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems)**

GRB will consider new proposals, if any.

## **6. Regulation No. 92 (Replacement exhaust silencing systems for motorcycles)**

GRB may wish to discuss new proposals, if available.

## **7. Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)**

GRB agreed to revert to the proposal by the expert from the Netherlands to reduce the limit values for the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) tyres in the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 117 (GRB-62-11 and Add.1).

### **Documentation**

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\* Documents in brackets are for reference purposes only and will not be considered at the session.

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, paras. 12 and 13  
Informal document GRB-62-11 and Add.1

## **8. Collective amendments**

At its previous session, GRB discussed collective amendments to Regulations Nos. 9, 41, 63 and 92 to clarify the provisions on fibrous materials. GRB is invited to consider a revised proposal by the expert from the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) (GRB-63-02).

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, para. 15  
Informal document GRB-63-02

## **9. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels**

GRB will be informed about a study of the European Commission on Regulations Nos. 9, 63 and 92 for noise of L-category vehicles and the European Union type approval system (GRB-63-03).

GRB may also wish to recall its previous discussion on the policy indicator proposed by the experts from the Netherlands (GRB-62-14 and Add.1).

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, para. 17  
Informal documents GRB-63-03, GRB-62-14 and Add.1

## **10. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions**

GRB may wish to be informed about new studies and presentations on this issue.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, para. 19  
(Informal document GRB-62-23)

## **11. Quiet road transport vehicles**

GRB will note that a draft Regulation on quiet road transport vehicles (QRTV) (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/9) has been submitted to WP.29 for consideration at its March 2016 session. GRB will also be informed that WP.29, at its November 2015 session, agreed to extend the mandates of both IWG QRTV Regulation and IWG QRTV GTR. The two IWGs will report on their activities, in particular, on issues raised by the World Blind Union (WBU) at the previous session of GRB.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, paras. 20-22  
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2015/9)  
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/6)  
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/33)

**12. Acronyms and abbreviations in Regulations under the responsibility of the Working Party on Noise (GRB)**

GRB agreed to revert to the WP.29 request to introduce, in the medium term, an alternative abbreviation for "Replacement Exhaust Silencing System" (RESS) in Regulation No. 92 (WP.29-165-16).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, para. 23  
WP.29-165-16

**13. Proposals for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles**

GRB may wish to consider proposals, if any, aimed at updating the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3).

**14. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) system and involvement of the Working Parties (GRs) in it**

GRB may wish to consider this matter in light of the discussions at the November 2015 session of WP.29.

**15. Highlights of the November 2015 session of WP.29**

GRB will be briefed by the secretariat about the highlights of the November 2015 session of WP.29 on GRB and common issues.

**16. Exchange of views regarding the future work of GRB**

Based on the outcome of the second informal meeting convened by the Chair in December 2015, GRB may wish to resume its discussion on issues which should be included in the future work.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/60, para. 27  
Informal document GRB-62-08-Rev.1

**17. Other business**

GRB may wish to consider any other subjects, if necessary.

**18. Provisional agenda for the sixty-fourth session**

GRB is invited to provide guidance with regard to the provisional agenda for the next session scheduled to be held in Geneva from 5 (starting at 2.30 p.m.) to 7 (concluding at 5.30 p.m.) September 2016.

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