

Draft Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Informal Working Group (IWG) for the Phase 2 of development of UN GTR No. 16 (Tyres)

A. Draft Terms of Reference

1. The IWG shall develop, in the framework of the 1998 Agreement, the Amendment No. 2 to UN Global Technical Regulation (GTR) No. 16 on tyres aimed at further harmonization of its provisions for LT/C tyres and adaptation of UN GTR No. 16 to the technical progress.
2. The Amendment No. 2 to GTR No. 16 (Phase 2 of development) shall address the harmonization of Physical Dimensions Test (“phase 2A”) and High Speed Test (“phase 2B”).
3. The Amendment No. 2 to GTR No. 16 at phase 2A shall also cover the most recent updates of UN Regulations Nos. 30 and 54 [as well as FMVSS of the United States].
4. The IWG also will consider the feasibility of introduction of provisions for tyre global marking within GTR No. 16.
5. The provisions to be developed shall be suitable for the both type approval and self certification compliance assessment systems.
6. The IWG meetings primarily shall be organized in conjunction with the GRRF regular sessions.

B. Draft Rules of Procedure

7. The IWG is a sub group of GRRF, and is open to all participants of GRRF.
8. The IWG will be chaired by the GTR No. 16 technical sponsor (Russian Federation). ETRTO will act as a Secretary.
9. The IWG official language will be English.
10. All documents and/or proposals must be submitted to the IWG Secretary in a suitable electronic format at least one week before the meeting.
11. An agenda and related documents will be circulated to all IWG members in advance of all scheduled meetings.
12. All IWG documents will be made available on the dedicated UNECE website.
13. The IWG decisions will be reached by consensus. When consensus cannot be reached, the IWG Chairman shall present the different points of view to GRRF and seek guidance from GRRF as appropriate.
14. The IWG progress will be routinely reported to GRRF by the IWG Chairman or his representative.

D. Timeline

15. The proposed action plan:

(a) February 2017: Introduction and consideration of the proposal for phase 2A at the 83rd GRRF session as an informal document;

(b) September 2017: Introduction and consideration of the proposal for phase 2B at the 84th GRRF session as an informal document;

(c) February 2018: Submitting of the GRRF working document. Consideration of remaining issues (if any) at the 85th GRRF session;

(d) June 2018: Adoption of the proposal by AC.3, if no remaining issues had existed;

(e) November 2018: Adoption of the proposal by AC.3, if all remaining issues had been solved.
