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### Inland Transport Committee

### World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations

#### Working Party on Noise and Tyres

#### Seventieth session

Geneva, 11–13 September 2019

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

#### Adoption of the agenda

### Annotated provisional agenda for the seventieth session<sup>\*,\*\*</sup>

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on 11 September and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on 13 September 2019

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## **I. Provisional agenda**

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. UN Regulation No. 9 (Noise of three-wheeled vehicles).
3. UN Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles).
4. UN Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles).
5. UN Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems).
6. Tyres:
  - (a) UN Regulation No. 106 (Tyres for agricultural vehicles);
  - (b) UN Regulation No. 108 (Retreaded tyres for passenger cars and their trailers);
  - (c) UN Regulation No. 109 (Retreaded tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers);
  - (d) UN Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip);
  - (e) UN Global Technical Regulation No. 16 (Tyres).
7. Draft UN Regulation on reversing alarm.
8. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels.
9. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions.
10. Proposals for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles.
11. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval system.
12. Highlights of the March and June 2019 sessions of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations.
13. Exchange of views on the future work of the Working Party on Noise and Tyres.
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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.

#### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/12

### **2. UN Regulation No. 9 (Noise of three-wheeled vehicles)**

The Working Party on Noise and Tyres (GRBP) is invited to consider proposals by the expert from the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) that introduce a mandatory test for Additional Sound Emission Provisions (ASEP) and correct an inconsistency in the ASEP exemption conditions for vehicles with variable gear ratios or automatic transmission with non-lockable gear ratios.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/22, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/23

**3. UN Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles)**

GRBP will consider proposals submitted by the expert from IMMA which aim to correct an omission and to minimize a proliferation of approval numbers from models with differences in vehicle exhaust and silencing systems.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/24, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/25

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

GRBP will be informed about the activities of the Informal Working Group on Additional Sound Emission Provisions (IWG ASEP) and will consider clarifications and corrections prepared by IWG ASEP.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/13

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

GRBP may wish to address a proposal for the 03 series of amendments submitted by the expert from Germany.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/15

**6. Tyres**

**(a) UN Regulation No. 106 (Tyres for agricultural vehicles)**

GRBP will consider a proposal by the expert from the European Tyre and Rim Technical Organization (ETRTO).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/18

**(b) UN Regulation No. 108 (Retreaded tyres for passenger cars and their trailers)**

GRBP is invited to consider a proposal on retreaded tyres to be tested and marked with the three-mountain-peak snow-flake (3PMSF) symbol, which was submitted by the experts of the Bureau International Permanent des Associations de Vendeurs et Rechaumeurs de pneumatiques (BIPAVER).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/16

(c) **UN Regulation No. 109 (Retreaded tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers)**

GRBP is invited to consider a similar proposal on retreaded tyres marked with the 3PMSF symbol for commercial vehicles, also submitted by the experts of BIPAVER.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/17

(d) **UN Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)**

GRBP is invited to consider a proposal submitted by the group of interested experts on snow tyre provisions.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/14

GRBP will recall that, at its previous session, the expert from ETRTO requested a postponement of consideration of ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRVA/2018/5 and GRB-68-12. GRBP is invited to resume the discussion and to address a complementary proposal by the experts of ETRTO (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/19).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRVA/2018/5, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/19,  
Informal document GRB-68-12

GRBP will be briefed on the activities of the IWG on Wet Grip Performance of Tyres in a Worn State (IWG WGWT).

(e) **UN Global Technical Regulation No. 16 (Tyres)**

GRB will receive a status report from the IWG on Tyre GTR and will consider a draft proposal draft proposal for amendments to UN GTR No. 16 (Tyres), together with its technical report.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/20, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/21,  
Informal document GRBP-70-02

**7. Draft UN Regulation on reversing alarm**

GRBP will be informed about the activities of the Task Force on Reverse Warning (TF RW) and about liaising with the Working Party on General Safety (GRSG) on the issue.

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

GRBP will continue the exchange of views on developing national or regional legislation and international requirements on noise levels.

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

GRBP will recall its earlier considerations of the draft Resolution on Road Surface Labelling and will be informed about the outcome of consultations with national road administrations.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2019/2

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

GRBP will consider new proposals, if any.

## **11. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval system**

GRBP will be informed about progress in implementing the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) (UN Regulation No. 0).

## **12. Highlights of the March and June 2019 sessions of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations**

GRBP will be briefed by the secretariat about the highlights of the recent sessions of WP.29 on GRBP and common issues.

## **13. Exchange of views on the future work of the Working Party on Noise and Tyres**

Based on the outcome of an informal meeting convened by the Chair on 21 May 2019, GRBP may wish to resume its discussion on issues that should be included in the future work.

GRBP is also expected to be informed by the expert from the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA) about the outcome of their study that aims to find out if lowering the rolling sound limits would affect other tyre parameters which are essential for vehicle safety and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction (GRB-69-25-Rev.1).

## **14. Other business**

The Inland Transport Committee (ITC), at its eighty-first session in 2019, adopted the ITC Strategy until 2030, invited its subsidiary bodies to follow-up by aligning their work with the strategy and requested the secretariat to take the necessary actions to promote the implementation of the strategy (ECE/TRANS/288, paras. 15 (a), (c) and (g)). Furthermore, the Committee expressed its concern for the limited progress globally in meeting the Sustainable Development Goal targets on road safety and those of the United Nation Decade of Action for Road Safety (ibid, para. 64). To help countries, particularly new contracting parties, to further implement legal instruments in the area of road safety, the secretariat has prepared the draft ITC Recommendations for Enhancing National Road Safety Systems for comments by the Working Parties. Against this background, GRBP is invited to provide its contribution.

GRBP may also wish to resume its discussion on how to implement the new provisions of Revision 3 of the 1958 Agreement on "Unique Identifier" (UI).

GRBP will consider any other subjects, if necessary.

## **15. Provisional agenda for the seventy-first session**

GRBP is invited to provide guidance on the provisional agenda for the next session scheduled to be held in Geneva from 28 (starting at 9.30 a.m.) to 31 (concluding at 12.30 p.m.) January 2020.

## **16. Election of officers**

In compliance with Rule 37 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690 and Amend.1), GRBP will elect the Chair and Vice-Chair for the sessions scheduled for the year 2020.

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