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Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 07 series of amendments Supplement 3 to the 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the Netherlands, aiming to correct an omission in paragraph 3 of the UN Regulation, with regard to information on safety-belt reminders. The modifications to the current text of the UN Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2021 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2021 (A/75/6 (Sect.20), para 20.51), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

I. Proposal

Chapter 3, amend to read:

"3. Application for approval

- 3.1. Vehicle type
 - 3.1.1. The application for approval of a vehicle type with regard to the installation of its safety-belts and restraint systems shall be submitted by the vehicle manufacturer or by his duly accredited representative.
 - 3.1.2. It shall be accompanied by the under mentioned documents in triplicate and the following particulars:
 - 3.1.2.1. Drawings of the general vehicle structure on an appropriate scale, showing the positions of the safety-belts, and detailed drawings of the safety-belts and of the points to which they are attached;
 - 3.1.2.2. A specification of the materials used which may affect the strength of the safety-belts;
 - 3.1.2.3. A technical description of the safety-belts;
 - 3.1.2.4. In the case of safety-belts affixed to the seat structure;
 - 3.1.2.5. Detailed description of the vehicle type with regard to the design of the seats, of the seat anchorages and their adjustment and locking systems;
 - 3.1.2.6. Drawings, on an appropriate scale and in sufficient detail, of the seats, of their anchorages to the vehicle, and of their adjustment and locking systems.
 - 3.1.2.7. Description of the safety-belt reminder system.**
 - 3.1.3. At the opinion of the manufacturer, a vehicle representative of the vehicle type to be approved or the parts of the vehicle considered essential for the safety-belt tests by the Technical Service conducting approval tests shall be submitted to the Service."

II. Justification

1. The safety-belt reminder system needs to be specified in order to know what is present in the vehicle type and what has been approved.
 2. In European Union Regulation 2018/858, in case of a single-step type approval, this information is required in section 9.12.5. of Annex I. It is not required in the case of a step-by-step type approval, since it is assumed that this information is provided in the UN Regulation No. 16 approval.
 3. This proposal aims at correcting this omission and bringing UN Regulation No. 16 in line with Annex I of EU Regulation 2018/858.
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