

Terms of Reference for the new informal working group of Regulation No. 22 (Protective Helmets)

A. INTRODUCTION

06 series f amendments to UN Regulation No. 22 entered into force on 3 January 2021. Among other amendments, the new series tried to deal with the approval of accessories for protective helmets.

At its 68th session in December 2020, GRSP experts noted that the application of requirements for accessories to helmets needed to be improved. GRSP agreed that an Ad-Hoc group considered the issue and propose some amendments to improve the provisions of the UN Regulation.

The Ad-Hoc group meet six times before the May 2021 session of GRSP and considered necessary that a new Informal Working Group should be established to deal with some provisions to be included in the text the UN Regulation No. 22

The purpose of this document is to set forth the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the IWG including objective, scope, operating principles, timeline and deliverables.

This document shall be transmitted to WP.29 for its consideration and possible adoption at its June 2021 session.

B. OBJECTIVE OF THE WORKING GROUP

The objective of the IWG is to develop additional provisions for helmet's accessories to ensure that their safety is not endangered by the installation of accessories. The IWG will also update/clarify existing requirements and test procedures in UN Regulation No. 22

Scope of work for IWG shall include the following items. Should additional items be proposed, the IWG will decide by consensus on their inclusion

- A. Define requirements and test procedures for the accessories to be installed in the after marked, among them:
 - 1. Lightening equipment;
 - 2. Cameras
 - 3. Removable chinbar
 - 4. Sunshield
 - 5. Audio-phone equipment
 - 6. Design equipment
 - 7. Aeration (to improve helmet wearing), and
 - 8. Any other accessories used in protective helmets.
- B. New Type Approval Marking System to include marking for accessories, if needed.

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C. OPERATING PRINCIPLES

1. The IWG depends on the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP) and is open to all participants of GRSP including contracting parties and non-governmental organizations to the 1958 and 1998 agreements.
2. The Chairperson of the IWG will report to the GRSP on its activities. The Chair of GRSP will include the activities of the IWG to WP.29 when reporting about the GRSP main decisions and facts.
3. The official language of the IWG will be English.
4. All documents must be submitted to the Secretary of the group in a suitable electronic format at least (10) working days before the meeting. The documents will be posted on the UN website at least (5) working days in advance of the meetings.
5. The Secretary of the IWG will distribute a draft meeting minutes to all members within (15) working days after the meeting with the view to be formally adopted at the next meeting.
6. Decisions and proposals of the group shall be reached by consensus or by a 3/5 majority. When consensus cannot be reached, the chair of the group shall present the different points of view to GRSP and seek guidance its GRSP, as appropriate.
7. Meetings shall be held in agreement with most of the participants based on the joint proposal by the chair of the IWG. Meetings may be in person or virtual using web-based technology.
8. A provisional agenda shall be drawn up by the IWG leadership and put on the corresponding GRSP website. The first item of the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda. The second item shall be the minutes of the previous session followed by technical discussions and miscellaneous items.
9. The IWG shall elect a Chairperson and a secretary at its first session. The Chairperson shall be a person from a country. The secretary shall not be of the same country of the Chairperson.
10. The IWG shall take into account all the work performed by the Ad-Hoc Group on the same subject. The Ad-Hoc group shall meet for the last time before the end of June 2021 to advance the work.

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D. TIMELINE and DELIVERABLES

1. **Summer 2021:** First IWG meeting after the authorization of the IWG by WP.29.
2. **September 2021:** Second and Third IWG meeting
3. **October:** Fourth IWG meeting to consider a consolidated proposal for Supplement 2 to the 06 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 22 and to transmit it for GRSP as an official proposal.
4. **December 2021:** Report to GRSP on the IWG proposal and its presentation for consideration and possible adoption by GRSP.

The IWG can decide on having more meetings, if needed, to accomplish its tasks.
