



European Tyre and Rim Organisation

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Proposal for amendments to Regulation No 64

ETRTO is proposing the following amendments to the UK proposals for amendment to Regulation No 64 (GRRF/2002/17/Rev3 and GRRF/2005/9), referring also to the I.D. No 2, 53rd GRRF 3-7 February 2003 from ETRTO.

A) RUN FLAT TYRES

Paragraph 5.1.6.3. amend to read :

5.1.6.3. “..... shall operate within 3 minutes after the vehicle starts to be in motion when the ignition circuit the vehicle speed exceeds [25 km/h] and it

Paragraph 6.1.2. amend to read :

6.1.2. “..... of 80 km (or 50 miles) or for the maximum distance recommended in the vehicle owner's manual for the original tyres approved for the vehicle.”

Paragraph 6.1.3.

“Run flat tyres” equip vehicles in order to face with emergency or unexpected situations due to loss of air. It will therefore be inappropriate to prohibit an unlucky driver for not having two or more tyres punctured at the same time.

ETRTO proposes to remove “run flat tyres” from this paragraph.

B) UNI-DIRECTIONAL TYRES

In case of passenger car tyres, the practice to mark on the sidewalls an arrow to identify a “preferred sense of rotation” does not qualify them as “uni-directional tyres”.

In fact, this symbol just represents recommendations in order to optimize some performances (e.g. treadwear and noise comfort).

In addition, paragraph 3 (markings) of UN ECE Regulation No 30 does not identify or recognize any “uni-directional tyre”.

ETRTO therefore proposes not to include any mention or specification for uni-directional tyres in Regulation No 64.

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