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Proposal for draft amendments to Regulation No.14

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 5.3.8.3., amend to read:

"5.3.8.3. Notwithstanding paragraph 5.3.8.1 at least one of the two ISOFIX positions systems shall be installed at the second seat row. This does not apply at the second seat row where the R-points (as defined in 2.4 of Annex 4) of all seating positions are located less than 580mm behind the R point of the driver's seating position (measured by a plane parallel to the vertical transverse plane as defined in Annex 4, Appendix 2)."

B. JUSTIFICATION

The second seat row of some vehicles (for example sports cars with 2+2 seating arrangements, or pickup trucks with extended cabins) is not deep enough to accommodate child restraint systems. Therefore, the provision of ISOFIX positions becomes redundant as the second seat row is not suitable for the safe transport of children. Such vehicles shall still be required to install an ISOFIX position on the front seat row. If such a position is protected by an airbag a deactivation device shall be fitted.

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