

**Proposal to amendments to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/42  
(Revision of the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3))**

Note: The text reproduced below was submitted by the representatives of Japan and European Union and proposes amendments to the proposal to develop amendments to Revision of the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3). This document is an update ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/42, which supersedes Informal document No. GRSP-48-29. The modifications to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/42 are marked in bold and strikethrough characters.

**I. PROPOSAL**

*Paragraph 2.2.4., amend to read:*

"2.2.4. Vehicles of category M2 and M3 belong to:

**2.2.4.1. For vehicles having a capacity exceeding 22 passengers in addition to the driver, there are three classes of vehicles:**

2.2.4.1.1. "*Class I*": Vehicles constructed with areas for standing passengers, to allow frequent passenger movement.

2.2.4.1.2. "*Class II*": Vehicles constructed principally for the carriage of seated passengers, and designed to allow the carriage of standing passengers in the gangway and/or in an area which does not exceed the space provided for two double seats.

2.2.4.1.3. "*Class III*": Vehicles constructed exclusively for the carriage of seated passengers.

**2.2.4.1.4. A vehicle may be regarded as belonging in more than one Class. In such a case it may be approved for each Class to which it corresponds.**

**2.2.4.2. For vehicles having a capacity not exceeding 22 passengers in addition to the driver, there are two classes of vehicles:**

2.2.4.2.1. "*Class A*": Vehicles designed to carry standing passengers; a vehicle of this class has seats and ~~may~~ **shall** have provisions for standing passengers.

2.2.4.2.2. "*Class B*": Vehicles not designed to carry standing passengers; a vehicle of this class has no provision for standing passengers."

**II. JUSTIFICATION**

In 48<sup>th</sup> GRSP, Japan proposed to revise the definitions of vehicles of category M2 and M3 for the proposal to "Revision of the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3)" which was proposed from the secretariat of United Nations. Japanese Informal document is Informal document No. GRSP-48-29.

The aim of the proposal is harmonization of definition between R.E.3 and each vehicle regulation.

Japanese proposal was referred to Regulation No. 52 (UNIFORM PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF M<sub>2</sub> AND M<sub>3</sub> SMALL CAPACITY VEHICLES WITH REGARD TO THEIR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION), so the expert from European Commission suggested that definition of the category of M2 and M3 vehicles should be referred to Regulation No. 107 (UNIFORM PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF CATEGORY M<sub>2</sub> OR M<sub>3</sub> VEHICLES WITH REGARD TO THEIR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION).

This document is based on the suggestion from the expert from European Commission in 48<sup>th</sup> GRSP. Therefore this proposal is prepared by Japan and European Commission.

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