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Proposal to Modify Homologation Brake Test Procedure to Improve Safety on Proving Ground

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## Introduction

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## > EPGSA (www.EPGSA.eu)

European Proving Grounds Safety Association

- The European Proving Ground Safety Assoiciation EPGSA is a forum for the discussion of safety related items regarding vehicle testing.
- EPGSA was founded in 2002.
- It is not the intention of the organization to develop standards, but to collectively share possible solutions to safety related issues.
- It is a non-profit organization.
- The membership is limited to vehicle testing organizations with proving grounds.
> Members:
- Arctic Falls (Sweden), ATP (Germany), Bosch (Germany), Bridgestone (Italy), Bruntingthorpe (UK), UTAC -CERAM (France), Continental (Germany), DEKRA (Germany), Ford (Belgium), GoodyearDunlop (France), Icemakers (Sweden), IDIADA (Spain), Jaguar/Land Rover (UK), Opel (Germany), Millbrook (UK), MIRA (UK), Nardo (Italy), Renault (France), Volvo (Sweden),

> ECE R13 (Heavy Vehicles)
> ECE R13H (Passenger cars)
> ECE R90 (Replacement brake linings)

Homologation Brake Test Tracks

## Straight Line Braking Surfaces




## High Speed Circuit (HSC):

> Test usually performed on track

- Braking Test
- Engine Performance Test
- Coast Down
- Dynamic Test
- Durability Test

Standard Safety Regulations on

## High Speed Circuit

## Preventive Measures:

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|  | Slow lanes |  | Fast lanes |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Lane 1 | Lane 2 | Lane 3 | Lane 4 |
| Maximum speed | $(100$ |  |  |  |
| Minimum speed | 0 | 100 | 130 | (160) |

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|  | Schnelle Bahnen |  | Langsame Bahnen |  | Sicherheits- <br> streifen |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bahn | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Max Speed | 320 | 260 | 180 | 150 |  |
| Min Speed | 180 | 120 | 60 | $>0$ |  |

# Standard Safety Regulations on High Speed Circuit 

## Preventive Measures:

> Identify the test vehicle with the appropriate identifying plate, 001 ar for high speed braking and 001 for changing lanes, on the rear side of your vehicle.
> Identify the test vehicle with a flashing light placed on the roof, permanently switched on when performing Braking Test $\geqslant 0 \div$ or Lane Changes $\geqslant$
$>$ Switch on the hazard (emergency) lights in the moment you are performing the braking manoeuvre and switch off when you finish.
> Keep a safety distance between vehicles when performing special tests:

- $\mathbf{1 0}$ seconds between vehicles in ATP
- 500 meters between vehicles in IDIADA
> Only in ATP, no stopping for more than 30 seconds


## Accident Background IDIADA

## Date: April 2006

## Vehicle 1:

> Type of test: Brake Test
$>$ Test Speed: from $\mathbf{1 2 0 k m} / \mathrm{h}$ to $0 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$

## Vehicle 2:

> Type of test: Durability
> Test Speed: Acceleration Test

## Causes of the accident:

> The driver of the first car stopped at the second lane
> The driver of the second car was distracted.

## Consequences of the accident:

> Hard crash between both cars.
> Fatal injuries.

## Accident Background ATP

## Date: July 2012

## Vehicle 1:

> Type of test: Durability Test
> Test Speed: various
$>170 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ at the moment of the accident

## Vehicle 2:

> Type of test: Durability Test
> Test Speed: various
$>\mathbf{0 k m} / \mathrm{h}$ at the moment of the accident

## Causes of the accident:

> The driver of the first car was probably distracted.
> The driver of the second car was stopping without permission

## Consequences of the accident:

> Hard crash between both cars
> Fatal injuries

## Accident Background IDIADA

## Date: February 2013

## Vehicle 1:

> Type of test: Brake Test
$>$ Test Speed: from $\mathbf{1 0 0 k m} / \mathrm{h}$ to $0 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$

## Vehicle 2:

> Type of test: Confidential
> Test Speed: constant speed 90km/h

## Causes of the accident:

> The driver of the first car probably don't respect safety distance.
> The driver of the second car was distracted.

## Consequences of the accident:

> Hard crash between both cars.
> Slight human injuries.

## Accident Background IDIADA

## Date: July 2013

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> Type of test: Brake Test
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## Vehicle 2:

> Type of test: Confidential
> Test Speed: constant speed 90km/h

## Causes of the accident:

> The driver of the first car probably don't respect safety distance.
> The driver of the second car was distracted.

## Consequences of the accident:

> Hard crash between both cars.
> Serious human injuries (3 People involved)

## Accident Reconstruction



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## Description of the problem

1. Performance tests at high decelerations (eg 1g) from high speeds to ZERO
> Stopped vehicles at the High Speed Track with vehicles driving at high speed.
2. Fade tests that have to be performed at rigid periods of time (eg every 45 seconds), and if one stop fails or is aborted, the whole test including all the preparation and bedding of the samples is not valid and need to be repeated.
> It makes the driver do not fulfil the safety regulations mainly the safety distance.

Proposal for slight modifications on Brake Test Procedures on High Speed Track:
$>$ Final test Speed $\geq 20 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{h}$.
> More flexibility on Fading Tests

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DISTANCE vs SPEED. N3 - MFDD = 6,17 m/s²



# Proposed modifications on Test Procedures 

More flexibility on Fading Tests :
> We would like to propose a certain tolerance in the frequency and even more, a scape possibility, if during the 15 snubs, there is a need of extend some of the periods due to safety aspects, at discretion of the technical service, this might be compensated by one additional snub to ensure that the brakes have been sufficiently heated.

## Thank you very much for your kind attention

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