Proposal for amendments to the 06 and 07 Series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 (M_2 and M_3 vehicles)

The text reproduced below was prepared by OICA proposing amendments in order to correct the reference to some paragraphs. The modifications to the current text of Regulation No. 107 are marked in bold for new characters and strikethrough for deleted characters.

I. Proposal

Annex 3

Paragraph 7.7.9.1., amend to read:

"7.7.9.1. "On vehicles of Classes I, II and A, a means shall be provided to enable passengers to signal that the driver should stop the vehicle. The controls for all such communication devices shall be capable of being operated with the palm of the hand. There shall be appropriate communication devices distributed adequately and evenly throughout the vehicle and no more than 1,500 mm from the floor; this does not exclude the possibility of installing higher additional communication devices. Controls shall contrast visually with their immediate surroundings. Activation of the control shall also be indicated to the passengers by means of one or more illuminated signs. The sign shall display the words "bus stopping" or equivalent, and/or a suitable pictogram and shall remain illuminated until the service door(s) open. Articulated vehicles shall have such signs in each rigid section of the vehicle. Double-deck vehicles shall have them on each deck. The provisions of paragraph 7.6.11.4. 7.6.11.8. of this annex apply to any textual markings used."

Annex 8

Paragraphs 3.7.3. and 3.7.4., amend to read:

"3.7.3. For vehicles of Classes I, II and A, where the foot space of any seat, or part of a folding seat when in use, intrudes into a wheelchair space, those seats shall have signs fixed on or adjacent to them with the following text, equivalent text or pictogram:

"Please give up this space for a wheelchair user".

The provisions of paragraph 7.6.11.4. 7.6.11.8. of Annex 3 apply to any textual markings used.

3.7.4. In vehicles where any wheelchair space is designated for use exclusively by a wheelchair user as provided for in paragraph 7.2.2.2.10. of Annex 3, those spaces shall be clearly marked with the following text, equivalent text or pictogram:

"Area designated for use exclusively by a wheelchair user"

The provisions of paragraph 7.6.11.4. 7.6.11.8. of Annex 3 apply to any textual markings used."

Paragraph 3.8.4.1.6., amend to read:

"3.8.4.1.6. A sign shall be fixed adjacent to the wheelchair area with the following text:

"This space is reserved for a wheelchair. The wheelchair shall be placed facing rearwards resting against the support or backrest with the brakes on".

The provisions of paragraph 7.6.11.4. **7.6.11.8.** of Annex 3 apply to any textual markings used."

II. Justification

There is a cross-referencing error introduced in paragraph 7.7.9.1. of Annex 3 to Regulation 107 with regards to textual markings.

Regulation No. 107.06 at Annex 3, 7.7.9.1. says: ...The provisions of Paragraph 7.6.11.4. of this Annex apply to any textual markings used.'

Note that 7.6.11.4. is referred to in various other paragraphs of the Regulation in the context of textual markings.

However, the 06 Series of amendments to Regulation 107 introduced new requirements in paragraph 7.6.11.4. that are applicable to safety signs:

'Safety signs shall not be located in positions where they may be obscured during operation of the vehicle. However, a curtain or blind may be positioned over an emergency window provided an additional safety sign indicates that the emergency window is located behind the curtain or blind.'

Previous series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 have read at 7.6.11.4....

'The language in which any textual safety sign intended to comply with Paragraphs 7.6.11.1. to 7.6.11.3. above are to be inscribed shall be determined by the approving authority bearing in mind the country/countries in which the applicant intends to market the vehicle in liaison if necessary with the competent authorities of the country/countries concerned. If the authority of the country/countries where the vehicle is to be registered has the language changed, this change shall imply no new type approval process.'

However, the text of the original 7.6.11.4. has now been moved to 7.6.11.8.

As a consequence it is suggested to propose an amendment to Regulation No. 107.06 series of amendments, and subsequent amendments, such that paragraph 7.7.9.1. of Annex 3 and paragraphs 3.7.3., 3.7.4., and 3.8.4.1.6. of Annex 8, read as follows...

... The provisions of paragraph 7.6.11.8. of this Annex apply to any textual markings used.