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**1998 Agreement:**

**Proposal for amendments to Special Resolution No. 1**

Proposal for Amendment 3 to Special Resolution No. 1

Submitted by the Working Party on General Safety Provisions[[1]](#footnote-2)\*

The text reproduced below was adopted by the Working Party on General Safety Provisions (GRSG) at its 129th session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/108, para. 23). It is based on ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2025/6, as amended by paragraph 30 of the report. It is submitted to the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) and to the Executive Committee of the 1998 Agreement for consideration and vote at its November 2025 session as Amendment 3 to S.R.1..

*Annex 1, GENERAL DEFINITIONS*

*Insert new paragraphs 8. and 9.,* to read:

"8. "*Automated Driving System (ADS)*" means the vehicle hardware and software that are collectively capable of performing the entire Dynamic Driving Task (DDT) on a sustained basis.

9. "*Dynamic Driving Task (DDT)*" means the real-time operational and tactical functions required to operate the vehicle."

*Annex 2, CATEGORIZATION OF VEHICLES*

*Paragraphs 1.1.1. and 1.1.2.,* amend to read:

"1.1. *"Category 1 vehicle"* means a power driven vehicle with four or more wheels designed and constructed primarily for the carriage of (a) person(s).

1.1.1. *"Category 1-1 vehicle"* means a category 1 vehicle comprising not more than nine seating positions. A category 1-1 vehicle cannot have standing passengers.

1.1.2. *"Category 1-2 vehicle"* means a category 1 vehicle designed for the carriage of more than nine persons, whether seated or standing."

*Paragraph 1.3.1., amend to read:*

"1.3.1. If a vehicle meets all of the following conditions:

For vehicles other than category X:

P - (M + N x 68) > N x 68,

N ≤ 6 and

Pay mass as defined in paragraph 7. of Annex 3 exceeds 150 kg for the vehicle, as configured with the maximum mass of factory fitted optional equipment, the vehicle shall be deemed to be a category 2 vehicle.

For category X vehicles:

P - (M + N x 68) > N x 68, N ≤ 7 and

Pay mass as defined in paragraph 7. of Annex 3 exceeds 150 kg for the vehicle, as configured with the maximum mass of factory fitted optional equipment, the vehicle shall be deemed to be a category 2 vehicle.

In all other cases, the vehicle shall be deemed to be a category 1 vehicle.

Where,

P = Gross vehicle mass as defined in paragraph 4 of Annex 3.

M = Mass in running order as defined in paragraph 3 of Annex 3.

N = Maximum number of simultaneous seating and standing positions excluding the driver seating position, if any."

*Insert new paragraph 4.,* to read:

"4. CATEGORY X AND Y VEHICLES

4.1. *"Category X vehicle"* means a vehicle of category 1, 2 or 3 which:

(a) is equipped with an ADS and

(b) is not capable of being driven manually at speeds exceeding 6 km/h and

(c) is designed to carry (a) person(s)

4.2. *"Category Y vehicle"* means a vehicle of category 2 or 3 which:

(a) is equipped with an ADS and

(b) is not capable of being driven manually at speeds exceeding 6 km/h and

(c) is not designed to carry (a) person(s) at any time"

*Annex 3, MASSES*, amend to read:

*"Paragraph 3.,* amend to read:

3. *"Mass in running order"* means the nominal mass of a vehicle as determined by the following criteria:

Sum of unladen vehicle mass and driver’s mass, except in the case of vehicles of category X and category Y. The driver’s mass is applied in accordance with paragraph 6.1. below. For vehicles of category X and category Y, the mass in running order equals the unladen vehicle mass.

In the case of category 1-2 vehicles, additional crewmembers for which seating positions are provided shall be included, their mass being equal to, and incorporated in the same way as, that of a driver, if any."

*Paragraph 7.,* amend to read:

"7. *"Pay mass"* means the goods-carrying capacity of the vehicle which is the figure obtained by subtracting the unladen vehicle mass and the driver and passenger masses, if any, from the gross vehicle mass."

1. \* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2025 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2025 (A/79/6 (Sect. 20), table 20.6), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)