

Proposal to replace document GRBP/2025/12 (Proposal for Supplement 17 to the 02 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 117)

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A green frame highlights the triggering element for the amendment

I. Proposal

Paragraph 2.11. and footnote 2, amend to read:

"2.11. "Reinforced tyre" or "extra load tyre" of class C1 means a tyre **structure** designed to carry more load at a higher inflation pressure than the load carried by the corresponding standard version tyre at the standard inflation pressure as specified in ISO 4000-1:~~2021~~**2024**.²

² Class C1 tyres correspond to "passenger car tyres" in ISO 4000-1:~~2021~~**2024**."

Paragraph 2.13.1., amend to read:

"2.13.1. "Tyre for use in severe snow conditions" means a snow tyre or a special use tyre whose tread pattern, tread compound or ~~structure~~**construction** is specifically designed to be used in severe snow conditions and that fulfils the requirements of paragraphs 6.4. and 6.4.1. of this Regulation."

Paragraph 2.16.1., amend to read:

"2.16.1. "Principal grooves" means the wide ~~circumferential~~ **tread** grooves positioned in the central ~~zone~~ **part** of the tyre tread, ~~which, in the case of passenger and light truck (commercial) tyres, have the treadwear indicators located in the base, which covers about three quarters of the width of the tread surface.~~ **The central zone represents the area on the tread which comprises of 75 per cent of the width of the tread measured width defined by the ¾ (75%) of the reference tread width (C) symmetrically measured from the centre line.**

Add a new paragraph 2.16.2., to read:

"2.16.2. "Tread groove" means the space between two adjacent ribs **and/or blocks in the tread pattern.**"

Subparagraph 2.18.(b), amend to read:

"2.18. [...] (b) F2493 – ~~2324~~ for the size P225/60R16 and referred to as "SRTT16";

[...]"

Paragraph 6.7., amend to read:

"6.7. In order to be classified as a 'professional off-road tyre', a **special use** tyre shall ~~have fulfilled all of the following characteristics~~ **additional requirement:**

- (a) For **classes C1 and C2** tyres, **the maximum speed category shall be less than or equal to 160 km/h (speed category symbol Q).**
 - (i) ~~A tread depth ≥ 11 mm;~~
 - (ii) ~~A void to fill ratio ≥ 35 per cent;~~
 - (iii) ~~A maximum speed rating of $\leq Q$.~~
- (b) For **class C3** tyres, **the maximum speed category shall be less than or equal to 110 km/h (speed category symbol K).**
 - (i) ~~A tread depth ≥ 16 mm;~~
 - (ii) ~~A void to fill ratio ≥ 35 per cent;~~
 - (iii) ~~A maximum speed rating of $\leq K$.~~

Paragraph 12.23., amend to read:

"12.23. As from the 1 September 2028, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not be obliged to accept type approval issued according to Supplement 16 to the 02 series of amendments to this Regulation, **first issued after 31 August 2028**, if the track characteristics for measuring wet adhesion of tyre in new state are not established using the following reference tyres:

| Tyre class | Reference tyres |
|------------|----------------------------------|
| C2 | SRTT16C |
| C3 | SRTT19.5 siped or SRTT22.5 siped |

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Annex 6, subparagraph 2.2. (a), amend to read:

"2.2. [...]"

- (a) For class C1 tyres, the width of the rim shall be as defined in ISO 4000-1:2021**2024**,

[...]"

Annex 6 – Appendix 1, Paragraph 2.1., amend to read:

"2.1. Width

For passenger car tyre rims (class C1 tyres), the test rim width shall be the same as the measuring rim determined in ISO 4000-1:2021**2024**, clause 6.2.2.

[...]"

Annex 7 – Appendix 3, Part 1, Item 7, amend to read:

"7. Snow grip index **SG** ~~relative to SRTT according to paragraph 6.4.1.1.~~"

Annex 8,

Paragraph 2.1.3.1., amend to read:

"2.1.3.1. Standard Reference Test Tyre

For the evaluation of the ice performance of class C1 tyres, the Standard Reference Test Tyre SRTT16 shall be used. The reference tyre shall not be

older than 30 months starting from the production week and shall be stored in accordance with ASTM F2493 – 2324."

Paragraph 2.1.3.2.1., amend to read:

"2.1.3.2.1. Fit each test tyres on an approved rim pursuant to ISO 4000-1:20212024 using conventional mounting methods. Subject to the foregoing, the rim width code shall not differ more than 0.5 from the measuring rim. If a commercialized rim is not available for the test vehicle, it will be acceptable to use a rim whose rim width code differs by 1.0 from the measuring rim width code. Ensure proper bead seating by the use of a suitable lubricant. Excessive use of lubricant should be avoided to prevent slipping of the tyre on the wheel rim."

~~Annex 9, paragraph 2.1.3., amend to read:~~

~~"2.1.3. "Groove" means tread groove the space between two adjacent ribs or blocks in the tread pattern."~~

II. Justification

1. The year reference to the latest international standard specification ASTM F2493-24 is updated.
 2. The reference to the latest International Standard ISO 4000-1:2024 (published in March 2024) is updated.
 3. In the definition of *reinforced tyre* and *tyre for use in severe snow conditions*, the word "*structure*" is replaced by "*construction*" as the definition applies to all tyre structures (e.g., diagonal, radial, run flat tyre).
 4. The definitions of tread groove and principal grooves are aligned to the ones proposed in UN Regulations Nos. 30 and 54 (see pertinent justifications). The rewording is aimed to make the definition of the central zone much clearer.
 5. Editorial revision is proposed to simplify the wording of the requirements for professional off-road tyres (see dedicated informal document).
 6. The transitional provision in paragraph 12.23. is amended to correctly specify that it applies to type approvals "first issued after 31 August 2028" (and it is consistent with the transitional provisions in paragraphs 12.18. and 12.22.).
 7. Correction of reference to non-existing paragraph 6.4.1.1. in Annex 7 – Appendix 3, Part 1, Item 7 (C3 tyres) with further alignment with the wording of Annex 7 – Appendix 2, Part 1, Item 7 (C1 and C2 tyres).
 8. The amendment proposal to paragraph 2.1.3. in Annex 9 is deleted as there is no Annex 9 in the 02 SoA to UN Regulation No. 117.
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