

Clarification of the scope of Regulations covered by GRSG
(Regulation No. 73)

Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the experts from CLCCR in order to propose modifications to document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2006/16 with regard to Regulation No. 73.

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 1. (scope), amend to read:

"1. SCOPE

This Regulation applies to complete vehicles of categories N₂, N₃, O₃ and O₄ 1/ with regard to the lateral protection. It does not apply to:

- Tractors for semi-trailers;
- Trailers specially designed and constructed for the carriage of **loads of indivisible length where the trailer's length exceeds the maximum authorised length in force in the country of registration or in the country of entry into service;**
- Vehicles designed and constructed for special purposes where it is not possible, for practical reasons, to fit such lateral protection."

B. JUSTIFICATION

Document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2006/16 proposes the introduction of an exemption for trailers exceeding 10 m in length designed and constructed for the carriage of indivisible loads. However, this would give rise to the possibility of trailers of "normal" length being exempted. In our view, rather than specify a value over which trailers would be exempted, it would be preferable to link it to the maximum authorised length in the country of registration, as this may vary between Contracting Parties.
