Proposal for Amendment 2 to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles

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The proposal concerns specifications on category G of road tractors. The modifications to the current text of the UN R.E.3. are shown in bold characters for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

I. Proposal

Paragraph 2.8.2.2., amend to read:

"2.8.2.2. Power-driven vehicles other than those referred to in paragraph 2.8.2.1. must be loaded to the technically permissible maximum mass stated by the manufacturer. Road tractors shall be checked together with their intended trailers or semitrailers which towage they are intended. Trailers and semitrailers must be loaded to the technically permissible maximum mass stated by the manufacturer."

II. Justification

Paragraph 2.8.2.2.: The text of the UN R.E.3 does not specify, how to test the road tractor for towage semitrailers (with or without semitrailer) in order to refer them to G category vehicles. It may be possible to test a single tractor, which in practical conditions practically is not used on roads, and erroneously refer it to G category, although the basic designation of a trailer is to tow semitrailers on public roads. The proposed modification excludes possible reference of tractors to G category vehicles.