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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS(SUPPLEMENT 14) TO REGULATION No. 54

(Pneumatic tyres)

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Note: The text below was prepared by the expert from ETRTO in order to amend Regulation No. 54. It is based on the text of a document distributed without a symbol (informal document No. 2) during the forty-eighth session (TRANS/WP.29/GRRF/48, para. 74).

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A. PROPOSAL

Insert a new paragraph 3.1.12., and its corresponding footnote */, to read:

"3.1.12. The inscription "ET", "ML" or "MPT" for "Special-use" tyres.

*/ This marking shall be applied only for tyre types approved after the date of entry into force of Supplement [14] to the Regulation"

Annex 7,

Paragraph 3., amend to read:

"3. Load/sped test programme for tyre with a load capacity index 121 or less, or the additional marking "LT" and load capacity index above 121, and a speed category 0 and above"

Annex 7-appendix 1, note (2), amend to read:

"(2) Tyres with Load Index 122 or more, speed categories N or P and the additional marking "LT" shall be tested with the same programme as specified in the above table for tyres with Load Index 121 or less."

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B. EXPLANATION

Re. para. 3.1.12.:

To be in line with the requirements on tyre markings specified in the new draft Regulation concerning the approval of tyres with regard to rolling sound emissions, as currently considered by GRB.

Re. annex 7, para. 3. and appendix 1:

To allow the type approvals of some tyre types available on the American market for some vehicles suitable for export to Europe.
