

Proposal for collective amendments to Regulation Nos. 14 and 16

I. Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 07 series of Amendments to Regulation No. 14 (belt anchorages, ISOFIX and i-Size positions)

Paragraph 2.32., amend to read:

“2.32. *"i-Size seating position"* means a seating position, if any defined by the vehicle manufacturer, which is designed to accommodate i-Size child restraint systems and fulfils the requirements defined in this Regulation. **The designation of i-Size seating positions is assessed with all these positions occupied simultaneously.**”

Paragraph 5.3.8.1., amend to read:

“5.3.8.1. Any vehicle of category M₁ shall be equipped at least with two ISOFIX positions **that can be occupied simultaneously** which satisfy the requirements of this Regulation.

At least ...”

II. Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 06 series of Amendments to Regulation No. 16 (seat belts)

Paragraph 2.40., amend to read:

“2.40. *"i-Size seating position"* means a seating position, if **any** defined by the vehicle manufacturer, which is designed to accommodate ~~an~~ i-Size child restraint systems ~~, as defined in Regulation No. 129,~~ and fulfils the requirements defined in this Regulation. **The designation of i-Size seating positions is assessed with all the positions occupied simultaneously.**”

Paragraph 8.3.6., amend to read:

“8.3.6. Any i-Size seating position shall allow the installation of the ISOFIX child restraint fixtures "ISO/F2X" (B1), "ISO/R2" (D) and the support leg installation assessment volume as defined in Appendix 2 to Annex 17. **It shall be possible to occupy all adjacent i-Size seating positions simultaneously. This is deemed to be demonstrated when the median planes of adjacent positions are at least 440 mm apart.**

The support leg installation assessment volume is characterized as follows...”

III. Justification

1. The definition of i-Size seating positions in R16 should be aligned with that in R14.
 2. It appears that there is confusion whether or not more ISOFIX or i-Size locations can be specified in a vehicle than can actually be used at the same time.
 3. To promote the use of ISOFIX and especially the ‘plug-and-play’ concept of i-Size child restraint systems which explicitly aims to reduce (unintended) misuse with CRS, it is particularly necessary to ensure that the installation of an i-Size CRS is in fact not impaired by the installation of another i-Size CRS on clearly labelled and identified i-Size locations in a vehicle, and that at least two ISOFIX locations can be used at the same time.
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