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#### Tyres – Regulation No. 54

## **Proposal for amendment to Regulation No. 54 (Tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers)**

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the experts from France as an informal document GRRF-80-17. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

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\* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2014–2018 (ECE/TRANS/240, para. 105 and ECE/TRANS/2014/26, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.



## I. Proposal

*Paragraph 3.1.5.*, amend to read:

"3.1.5. The inscription M+S or M.S or M&S if the tyre is classified in the category of use "snow tyre"; **or if the tyre is classified in the category of use "special use tyre" when declared by the tyre manufacturer at paragraph 4.1.3. as complying also with the definition given in paragraph 2.2.2."**

*Paragraph 3.1.12.*, amend to read:

"3.1.12. The inscription "MPT" (or alternatively "ML" or "ET") and /or "POR" if the tyre is classified in the category of use "special use tyre". **In addition, they may also bear the inscription M+S or M.S or M&S.**

ET means Extra Tread, ML stands for Mining and Logging, MPT means Multi-Purpose Truck and POR means Professional Off Road <sup>6</sup>;"

*Paragraph 4.1.3.*, amend to read:

"4.1.3. Category of use (normal tyre, snow tyre, special use tyre);

**4.1.3.1. For the tyres belonging to the category of use "special use tyre" those which may bear the inscription M+S or M.S or M&S."**

*Paragraph 6.1.5.3.3.*, amend to read:

6.1.5.3.3. For ~~snow~~ **tyres of the category of use "snow tyre"** the outer diameter (D<sub>max</sub>) established in conformity with the above may be exceeded by one per cent.

## II. Justification

The current UN Regulation No. 54 does not consider the case where a tyre designed for a "special" application can also fulfil the definition of a "snow" tyre. In this case, if declared by the tyre manufacturer, the tyre has to be marked with the inscription M+S or M.S or M&S while remaining in the category of use "special".

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