



### Part 3

#### Technical Requirements (Supplementary) for National Small Series Type-Approval for Special Purpose Vehicles

(small series limit for Special Purpose vehicles are the same as for their parent category)

This supplement should be read in conjunction with Part III of Annex II to the Framework Regulation.

All requirements related to Part III of Annex II to the Framework Regulation apply unless specific alternatives or variations are listed in the table below.

All requirements related to the parent category apply unless specific exemptions or variations are listed here.

To enable representative testing the vehicle shall be submitted in a presentable state and capable of being laden to maximum mass.

For Special Purpose vehicles based on O category vehicles, a compatible towing vehicle also capable of being laden to maximum mass shall also be supplied.

A manufacturer's representative shall be present to enable access to all parts of the vehicle, to assist in explanation of features of that vehicle, and to cooperate in any testing.

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No.	Subject	Specific issues	Applicability and variations
A1	Interior fittings	Wheelchair accessible vehicles	For the purpose of this requirement a wheel chair shall be considered to be a seat.

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A1	Interior fittings	Ambulances	From 1 January 2026: The patient compartment of ambulances shall comply with the requirements of EN 1789:2020 on Medical vehicles and their equipment – Road ambulances with the exception of Section 6.5., list of equipment. Proof of compliance shall be provided with a test report of the approved tester. If a wheelchair space is foreseen, the requirements for wheelchair accessible vehicles (code SH) relating to the wheelchair tie-down and occupant restraint systems shall also apply.
A2	Seats and head restraints	Specially equipped vehicle	In the case of a specially equipped vehicle, the seats of the vehicle may be adapted without further testing, provided it can be demonstrated to the Approval Authority that their anchorages, mechanisms and head restraints provide the same level of performance.
A2	Seats and head restraints	Wheelchair accessible vehicles	Head restraints do not apply to a seat which is a wheelchair.
A22	Protective steering	Specially equipped vehicle	If a specially equipped vehicle had been adapted, then the requirements of this item shall not apply to the vehicle insofar as the adaptation prevents the vehicle from complying with any of the requirements of this item.
B8	Forward vision	Wheelchair accessible vehicles	In the case of a wheelchair accessible vehicle adapted for a wheelchair to be used as the driver's seat, it shall be sufficient to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Approval Authority that the driver's forward vision is comparable to that of the original driver's seat when the vehicle was first approved to the Regulation or Directive when the seat height adjustment of the original seat shall be set in the mid position.
C1	Steering equipment	Steering Control System	In the case of a specially equipped vehicle paragraph 5.1.3 of UN Regulation No. 79, may not apply to a steering control system designed to meet the needs of a driver with a disability.
C4	Braking	Specially equipped vehicle	In the case of a specially equipped vehicle the requirements for the driver to be able to operate the service braking system while keeping both hands on the steering control, and the secondary braking system while keeping at least one

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			<p>hand on the steering control, shall not apply to, so long as the vehicle is adapted for a driver with a disability to enable them to control the steering at all times while operating either braking system.</p> <p>Where supplementary controls are fitted for a driver with a disability both the standard and supplementary shall comply with the technical requirements.</p>
C15	Tyre installation	Armoured vehicles	In the case of an armoured vehicle, the Approval Authority may only grant exemption(s) if the manufacturer demonstrates that the vehicle cannot meet the requirements due to its special purpose. The exemptions granted are to be described on the vehicle type-approval certificate and the certificate of conformity
D15	Installation of light signalling, road illumination and retro-reflective devices	All special purpose vehicles	Headlamp dipped beam shall be suitable for left hand traffic. Cut-off shall be verified*. If there is only one rear fog lamp, it shall be on the right-hand side of the vehicle*.
F1	Registration plate space	All special purpose vehicles	In the case of all special purpose vehicles exemption from one or more of the provisions in column 3 of Part III of Annex II to the Framework Regulation is permissible where it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Approval Authority that the special purpose of the vehicle makes it impossible to fully comply provided that an Irish registration plate can be mounted and remain visible.
F4	Door entry steps, handholds and running boards	Doors for wheelchair access	For the purpose of this provision the seat cushion of a wheelchair is considered to be a seat.
G2	Tailpipe emissions of vehicle in lab	All special purpose vehicles	An EC type-approval or EU type-approval issued to the most representative base vehicle remains valid irrespective of change in the reference mass.

### Part 5

#### Technical Requirements (Supplementary) for National Individual Vehicle Approval for Category M, N and O Vehicles including Special Purpose Vehicles