

Approval and market surveillance of agricultural and forestry vehicles

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PURPOSE: to clarify the descriptions of T1 and T2 agricultural tractors in Regulation (EU) No 167/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Regulation (EU) 2019/519 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 167/2013 on the approval and market surveillance of agricultural and forestry vehicles.

CONTENT: this Regulation amending [Regulation \(EU\) No 167/2013](#) clarifies the descriptions of vehicles of categories T1 and T2 with regard to the position of the axle nearest the driver for tractors with reversible driving positions and with regard to the method of calculating the height of the centre of gravity. It introduces an accurate definition of the different features of agricultural tractors based on the analysis of their technical characteristics is of the utmost importance for the correct and complete implementation of this Regulation and of the delegated and implementing acts adopted under it:

- “category T1” comprises wheeled tractors, with the closest axle to the driver having a minimum track width of not less than 1 150 mm, with an unladen mass, in running order, of more than 600 kg, and with a ground clearance of not more than 1 000 mm; for tractors with a reversible driving position (reversible seat and steering wheel), the closest axle to the driver is the one fitted with the largest diameter tyres;

- “category T2” comprises wheeled tractors with a minimum track width of less than 1 150 mm, with an unladen mass, in running order, of more than 600 kg, with a ground clearance of not more than 600 mm; if the height of the centre of gravity of the tractor (determined in accordance with ISO standard 789-6:1982 and measured in relation to the ground) divided by the average minimum track for each axle exceeds 0,90, the maximum design speed shall be restricted to 30 km/h.’.

Importers shall, for a period of 10 years after the placing on the market of the vehicle and for a period of five years after the placing on the market for a system, component or separate technical unit, keep a copy of the EU type-approval certificate at the disposal of the approval and market surveillance authorities.

The Regulation also extends the Commission's power to adopt delegated acts for a further 5 years and provides for its tacit extension, unless the Council or the European Parliament expressly objects.

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