

Agricultural and forestry tractors: EC type-approval (repeal. Directive 74/50/EEC)

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The Commission is generally supporting the proposed amendments for the reason that they will facilitate the practical implementation of the Directive by approximating the required procedures with respect to the different categories of vehicles. The Commission supports the proposed amendment subject to the condition that they are not a disguised means to obtain relief from the Directive. It should be noted that the Council did not endorse a French proposal aiming to repeal 10 separate Directives which, according to the French delegation, relate to safety of workers and not to traffic safety. The Commission, while agreeing with the legitimacy of this proposal, is adopting the view of the Council.