Basic information

2002/0017(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure completed
Agricultural and forestry tractors: EC type-approval (repeal. Directive 74 /50/EEC) Repealed by 2010/0212(COD) **Subject** 2.10.03 Standardisation, EC/EU standards and trade mark, certification, compliance 3.40.03 Motor industry, cycle and motorcycle, commercial and agricultural vehicles	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
JURI Legal Affairs and Internal Market	GARGANI Giuseppe (PPE-DE)	28/01/2003

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
JURI Legal Affairs and Internal Market		

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy		
AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Agriculture and Fisheries	2441	2002-06-27
Agriculture and Fisheries	2476	2002-12-16

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
16/01/2002	Legislative proposal published	COM(2002)0006	Summary
04/02/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
27/03/2002	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
09/04/2002	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T5-0139/2002	Summary
16/12/2002	Council position published	10506/1/2002	Summary
16/01/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
18/03/2003	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		Summary
18/03/2003	Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A5-0067/2003	
08/04/2003	Decision by Parliament, 2nd reading	T5-0134/2003	Summary
26/05/2003	Final act signed		
26/05/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
09/07/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2002/0017(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Recast
Legislative instrument	Directive
Amendments and repeals	Repealed by 2010/0212(COD)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 095 Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	JURI/5/16153

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0139/2002 OJ C 127 29.05.2003, p. 0026-0088 E	09/04/2002	Summary
Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading		A5-0067/2003	18/03/2003	
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Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Council statement on its position	13105/2002	02/12/2002	
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European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2002)0006 OJ C 151 25.06.2002, p. 0001 E	16/01/2002	Summary
Commission communication on Council's position	SEC(2003)0028	10/01/2003	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0674/2002 OJ C 221 17.09.2002, p. 0005	29/05/2002	

Additional information

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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Directive 2003/0037
OJ L 171 09.07.2003, p. 0001-0080 Summary

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

2002/0017(COD) - 26/05/2003 - Final act

PURPOSE : to recast Directive 74/150/EEC on the type-approval of agricultural and forestry tractors and extends EC type-approval to new types of agricultural and forestry tractors. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Directive 2003/37/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on type-approval of agricultural or forestry tractors, their trailers and interchangeable towed machinery, together with their systems, components and separate technical units and repealing Directive 74/150/EEC. CONTENT : the Directive recasts Council Directive 74/150/EEC on the type-approval of agricultural and forestry tractors. The Directive seeks to extend EC type-approval to new types of agricultural and forestry tractors, particularly 'high speed' tractors, their trailers and some interchangeable towed equipment which can be assimilated to trailers. In contrast with Directive 74/150/EEC, which has had only an optional character up to now, the proposal for a directive is based on total harmonisation. As soon as the directive enters into force, new types of agricultural and forestry vehicles will have to meet harmonised technical provisions and the Member States' national requirements will no longer apply. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 09/07/2003. IMPLEMENTATION : 31/12/2004. Directive 74/150/EEC shall be repealed with effect from 01/07/2005.

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

2002/0017(COD) - 09/04/2002 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament, using its procedure without report, approved the proposal.

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

2002/0017(COD) - 16/12/2002 - Council position

The common position, which has been unanimously adopted by the Council, has been further simplified to achieve the aims of this Directive, which are to shorten the time to market and, by harmonising the approval process and introducing the mutual recognition principle in this area, remove the need to fulfil different national technical requirements. More specifically, in the common position, the Council has: - modified the wording in recitals 2 and 6, the latter to adapt it to the standard legal text; - made some horizontal changes to the terminology used (e.g. "equipment" was replaced by "machinery" throughout the text); - slightly modified the documents sent from a type-approval authority to other Member States; - recast some of the procedures for dealing with incompatibility; - simplified safeguard clauses; - modified the wording for the Committee procedures in accordance with the standard legal text used in these cases; - extended by 6 months the deadline to comply with this Directive (January 2005 to July 2005); - redrafted and expanded article 23 dealing with enforcement measures; - increased by 50% of the ceiling for small series and removed limitations in individual EC type-approval (Annex V).

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

2002/0017(COD) - 10/01/2003 - Commission communication on Council's position

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.

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

2002/0017(COD) - 16/01/2002 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to present a proposal for a Directive on EC type-approval of agricultural and forestry tractors, their trailers and interchangeable towed equipment, together with their systems, components and separate technical units. CONTENT : this proposal makes up the second stage of rewriting Directive 74/150/EEC on the type-approval of agricultural and forestry tractors, with the aim, in particular, of extending its scope to cover more specific types of tractors, their trailers and interchangeable towed equipment. It should be added that Directive 74/150/EEC has been amended several times, by Directives 79/694/EEC, 88/297/EEC, 97/54/EEC, 2000/2/EC, 2000/25/EC and 2001/3/EC. In the interests of effectiveness and greater transparency, this proposal for a Directive has been prepared with a view to eliminating excess regulation and simplifying the implementation of legislation. This proposal also aims to clarify the type-approval procedure along the lines of the framework Directive on motor vehicles (Directive 70/156 /EEC, as last amended by Directive 2000/40/EC), that on two- or three-wheel motor vehicles (Directive 92/61/EEC) and to take into account the experience gained. As there was a large number of significant amendments to Directive 74/150/EEC,a nd in order to ensure the text was clear, it was decided to recast the directive in two stages. The first stage of recasting was to consolidate the amended Directive 70/156/EEC. This proposal makes up the second stage of the recasting. This proposal essentially concerns the enacting terms, which have been completely redrafted, as have the new Annexes IV to VIII. This new text is strongly in favour of total, Community-wide harmonisation, the goal being the replacement of the national type-approval with European type-approval. Up to now, national type-approval has co-existed with EC type-approval, and the manufacturer was free to choose which systems to use. The proposal also extends EC type-approval to systems, components and separate technical units, in accordance with the corresponding separate directives. It also recognises certain international regulations as an alternative, for example those of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. The proposal establishes a procedure for exempting from Community requirements vehicles, systems, components and separate technical units which - owing to their design - do not meet the requirements of the directives concerned, but which offer at least equivalent guarantees as regards safety and environmental protection. It sets up a safeguard-clause procedure for discrepancies during checks on the conformity of production. This text also specifies that an information document and a type-approval report designed to enable EC type-approval to be computerised are to be annexed to each separate directive. Lastly, the Commission feels that the proposed Directive will help to simplify and expedite the administrative tasks which manufacturers must complete in order to be able to

market their products. It will eliminate the need to produce technical variants in order to meet diverging national requirements and to submit new types of vehicles to a Community type-approvalprocedure in a single Member State. Once type-approval has been obtained, it will be accepted in all Member States.

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

2002/0017(COD) - 08/04/2003 - Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Giuseppe GARGANI (EPP-ED, Italy) and approved the common position.