

Regulation (EU) 2018/858 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on the approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles, amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2007 and (EC) No 595/2009 and repealing Directive 2007/46/EC (Text with EEA relevance)

## CHAPTER I

### SUBJECT MATTER, SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

#### *Article 4*

#### **Vehicle categories**

- 1 For the purposes of this Regulation, the following vehicle categories shall apply:
- a Category M consists of motor vehicles designed and constructed primarily for the carriage of passengers and their luggage, divided into:
- (i) Category M<sub>1</sub> : motor vehicles with not more than eight seating positions in addition to the driver's seating position and without space for standing passengers, regardless of whether the number of seating positions is restricted to the driver's seating position;
  - (ii) Category M<sub>2</sub> : motor vehicles with more than eight seating positions in addition to the driver's seating position and having a maximum mass not exceeding 5 tonnes, regardless of whether those motor vehicles have space for standing passengers; and
  - (iii) Category M<sub>3</sub> : motor vehicles with more than eight seating positions in addition to the driver's seating position and having a maximum mass exceeding 5 tonnes, regardless of whether those motor vehicles have space for standing passengers;
- b Category N consists of motor vehicles designed and constructed primarily for the carriage of goods, divided into:
- (i) Category N<sub>1</sub> : motor vehicles with a maximum mass not exceeding 3,5 tonnes;
  - (ii) Category N<sub>2</sub> : motor vehicles with a maximum mass exceeding 3,5 tonnes but not exceeding 12 tonnes; and
  - (iii) Category N<sub>3</sub> : motor vehicles with a maximum mass exceeding 12 tonnes;
- c Category O consists of trailers, divided into:
- (i) Category O<sub>1</sub> : trailers with a maximum mass not exceeding 0,75 tonnes;

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- (ii) : trailers with a maximum mass exceeding 0,75 tonnes but  
Category not exceeding 3,5 tonnes;  
O<sub>2</sub>
- (iii) : trailers with a maximum mass exceeding 3,5 tonnes but  
Category not exceeding 10 tonnes; and  
O<sub>3</sub>
- (iv) : trailers with a maximum mass exceeding 10 tonnes.  
Category  
O<sub>4</sub>

2 The criteria for the categorisation of vehicles, types of vehicle, variants and versions are set out in Annex I.

[<sup>F1</sup>The Secretary of State may by regulations, amend] Annex I in relation to the types of vehicle and types of bodywork to take account of technical progress.

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Art. 4(2) substituted (31.12.2022 at 11.00 p.m.) by [The Road Vehicles and Non-Road Mobile Machinery \(Type-Approval\) \(Amendment and Transitional Provisions\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2022](#) (S.I. 2022/1273), regs. 1(2), **23(3)**

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