

**Draft Minutes of the 5th meeting of the Task Force on Studded Tyres
June 11, 2021 starting at 2:00 pm ending at 4:00 pm CET**

1. Welcome and introduction

The Chair welcomed the participants offering general information about the meeting.

The attendance list is attached to this document.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

3. Approval of the minutes from 4th Task Force meeting on Studded Tyres (TFST 04-02)

The minutes of the previous session were adopted.

4. The outcome of the “High-level special meeting” last week

- New snow grip marking for studded tyres
 - An informal document amending the working document presented at January 2021 GRBP session

Participants in High-level special meeting had agreed upon an approach with a dedicated new Snow Grip Marking for studded tyres. This marking would have family resemblance with the original Alpine Symbol but be sufficiently different for differentiation. The Chairman of GRBP had recommended to make an Informal Document to amend the Working document on the new Regulation that was presented in January 2021 GRBP meeting and the TF ST Chair and Secretary suggested that the Task Force would prepare an ID only after the 23rd June to allow time for all other WD preparation.

In the discussion that followed, these points were raised:

- Similar approach could work for POR tyres but this should be assessed in the GOIE. May need a new SoA.
- Visual design of the new marking: support for using the font size 4 mm for the "sha" letter and removing the word "stud" from the marking, as well as using the same side line angle decrease than in the Ice Grip Marking.
- To be drawn a sketch where this new marking and Ice Grip Marking are next to each other to allow visualization of the end-result.

5. Next steps regarding the Regulation on studded tyres

- An informal document adding ice grip marking and requirements to the new regulation for studded tyres

The Task Force agreed with the aim of including the Ice Grip Marking but questioned the use of Informal Document. Instead, a Working Document was seen a better choice. Understanding the time pressure that would follow from preparing a new WD between June 11th – June 23rd, the Task Force agreed that the Secretary would prepare a draft WD for the inclusion of the Ice Grip Marking and also containing the prescriptions for the new Snow Grip Marking for Studded Tyres [*Sec. note: this decision undo the decision above to make an Informal document after the June 23rd*] and circulate it to Task Force the following week for assessment and approval, to be eventually delivered to the GRBP secretariat by June 23rd, and that the Task Force would arrange a quick call if needed for any issue. It was also noted that it is possible to ask more time from the GRBP secretariat and that this new WD could be corrected with an ID before the GRBP meeting, if needed.

6. Other business

No other business.

Attachments:

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- Kinisjärvi, Reetta (Chair)
- Sunnari, Jarmo (Secretary)
- Becherer, Thomas
- Bocharov, Andrei
- Chen Shaomei
- Funaro, Italo
- Haas, Laurent
- Kamath, T.C.
- Ott, Guy
- Prigent, Jean-Marc
- Reinert, Marie-Pierre
- Tosca, Marco
- Wang, Xiaodong
- Xu, Tianchu
- Yu, Quanqu