



IWG DDADWS (Driver Drowsiness and Distraction Warning System)

Small Series Discussion & other exemptions

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Small Series Discussion



- Small series introduced via the amendment [\(EU\) 2022/2236](#) of the EU 2018/858 in 2022
- Additional considerations for small series and special purpose vehicles.

(5) When setting out the requirements for vehicles produced in small series or special purpose vehicles, it is necessary to take into account the cases where the requirements provided for vehicles produced in large series are incompatible with the use or design of such vehicles, or where the additional burden imposed by them is disproportionate. For this reason, sufficient lead time should be provided to manufacturers of vehicles produced in small series and of special purpose vehicles to implement the requirements laid down in this Regulation. In addition, those requirements should first apply from 7 July 2024 to new types of vehicles and from 7 July 2026 for all new vehicles.

- How is a small series defined?

Appendix 1

EXPLANATORY NOTES

to the tables for vehicles produced in small series

The requirements laid down in Table 1 for “Small series scheme I” apply provided that:

- the vehicle type is not based on or derived from a vehicle produced in large series, including those for EU or third markets; and
- the manufacturer’s combined number of units, of all its categories M and N vehicle types registered, made available on the market or entered into service annually in the Union does not exceed 1 500.

In all other cases, the requirements laid down in Table 1 for “Small series scheme II” and in Table 2 apply.

Other exemptions



- For sports or high performane vehicles there is an additional exemption provided in the Annex of the EU 2018/858 Regulation

Regulatory acts for EU type-approval of manually driven vehicles produced in small series pursuant to Article 41

Item	Subject	Regulatory act	Small series scheme I		Small series scheme II	
			M ₁	N ₁	M ₁	N ₁
E2	Driver drowsiness and attention warning	Regulation (EU) 2019/2144	n/a	n/a	B	B
E3	Advanced driver distraction warning	Regulation (EU) 2019/2144	No requirement yet	No requirement yet	No requirement yet	No requirement yet

Amendment (EU) 2025/XXXX proposed and adopted in 2025!

(ii) In Table 1, row E3 is replaced by the following:

'E3	Advanced driver distraction warning	Regulation (EU) 2019/2144	n/a	n/a	C	C
					Date for refusal to grant EU type- approval: 7 July 2026 Date for the prohibition of the registration of vehicles: 7 July 2028	Date for refusal to grant EU type- approval: 7 July 2026 Date for the prohibition of the registration of vehicles: 7 July 2028
					Not required for vehicles where the R-point of the driver seat is not more than 450 mm from the ground level.	Not required for vehicles where the R-point of the driver seat is not more than 450 mm from the ground level.;