

1. Purpose of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29)

To help spread motor vehicles that have high safety and environmental performance, the Forum aims to internationally harmonize vehicle regulations on safety and environmental performance and promote mutual recognition of type approval between governments.

2. Organization of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations

Under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN / ECE) the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations has six Working Parties of Experts, which discuss technical issues. The Working Parties discuss various issues from technical and professional points of view, and examine and vote on draft regulations.

3. Main activities of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations

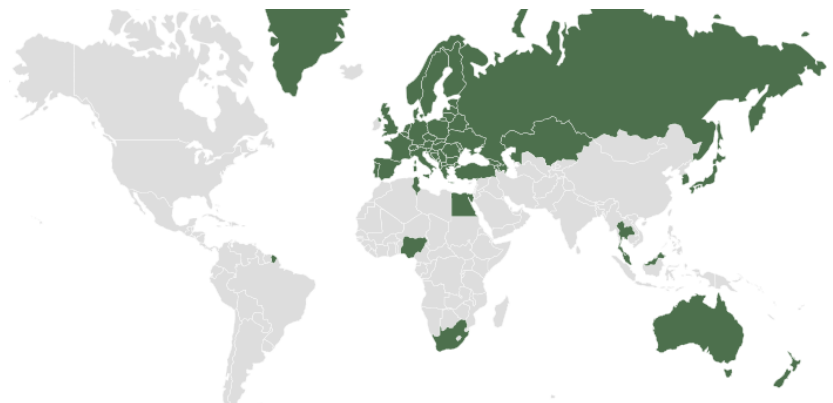
The Forum establishes and revises regulations based on the following agreements and manages and runs matters related to each agreement

- the Agreement on UN Mutual Recognition of Type Approval for Wheeled Vehicles etc. (the 1958 Agreement)
- the Agreement on UN Global Technical Regulations (the 1998 Agreement)

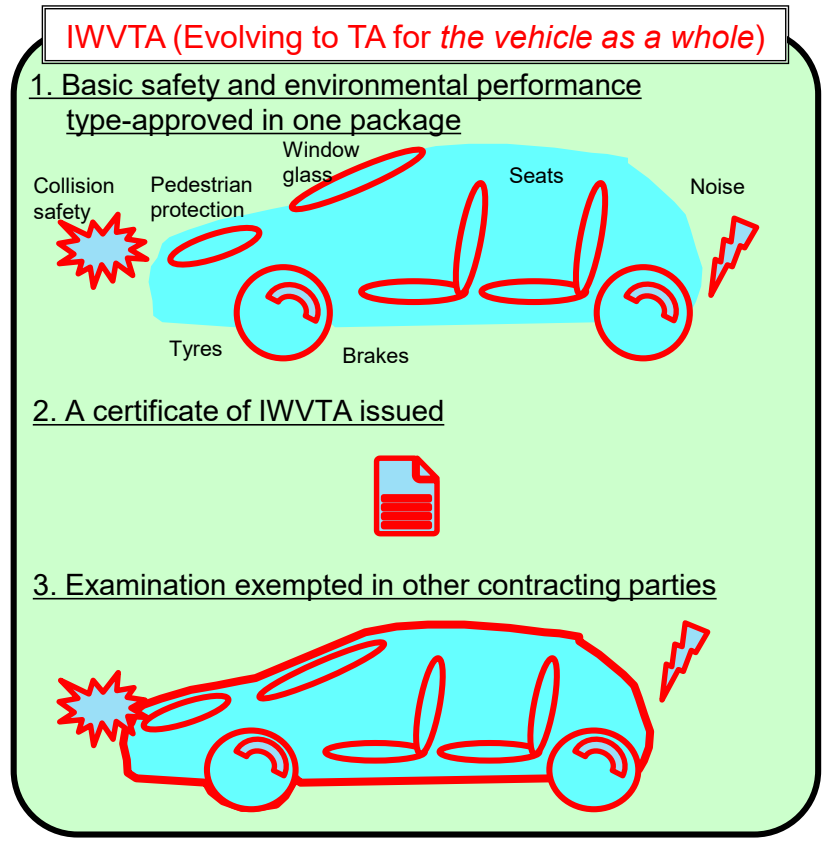
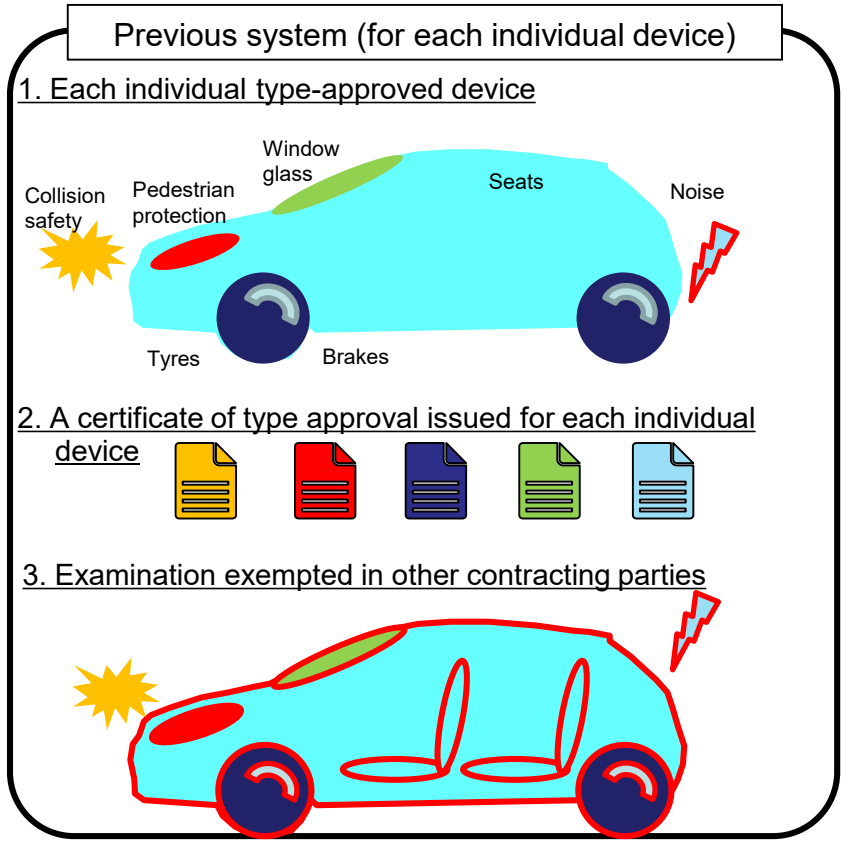
4. Contracting Parties to the 1958 Agreement (as of December 2019)

With 56 countries and one region (EU), Japan joining in 1998.

Germany, France, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, Belgium, Hungary, Czech Republic, Spain, Serbia, United Kingdom, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Norway, Finland, Denmark, Romania, Poland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Greece, Ireland, Croatia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Belarus, Estonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Latvia, Bulgaria, Lithuania, Turkey, Azerbaijan, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, European Union (EU), Japan, Australia, Ukraine, South Africa, New Zealand, Cyprus, Malta, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, Montenegro, Tunisia, Kazakhstan, Albania, Egypt, Georgia, San Marino, Republic of Moldova, Armenia, Nigeria
 (Underlined are EU member states)



- Under the previous mutual recognition system, an automaker was exempted from examination for type approval of individual devices of a motor vehicle subject to the system of mutual recognition of approval in a contracting party by presenting the certificate of type approval for the same devices granted in another contracting party.
- Meanwhile, the IWVTA system aims to expand the scope of mutual recognition from *each individual device to the vehicle as a whole*, **by putting basic safety and environmental performance criteria into one package**, thus **enabling the automaker**, upon the examination for type approval of a vehicle in a contracting party, **to be exempted from all examinations by presenting the certificate of IWVTA granted in another contracting party.**
- Since the establishment of IWVTA in July 2018, the number of items subject to mutual recognition has increased steadily to 49 so far.



No.	Title	Regulation No.*
1	Electromagnetic compatibility	10
2	Door latches and hinges	11
3	Steering mechanism	12
4	Braking (M1)	13-H
5	Safety belt anchorages	14
6	Safety belts	16
7	Seats	17
8	Interior fittings	21
9	External projections	26
10	Audible warning devices	28
11	Prevention of fire risks	34
12	Speedometer and odometer	39
13	Safety glazing materials	43
14	Devices for indirect vision	46

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15	Noise	51
16	Rear underrun protection	58
17	Temporary-use spare wheels / Tires and run flat tires	64
18	Steering equipment	79
19	Protection of the occupants in the event of a frontal collision	94
20	Protection of the occupants in the event of a lateral collision	95
21	Electric power train	100
22	The location and identification of hand controls, tell-tales, and indicators	121
23	The forward field of vision	125
24	Pedestrian safety	127
25	Brake assist systems	139
26	Electronic stability control (ESC) systems	140
27	Installation of tyres	142

* “Regulation No.” refers to the regulation numbers under the 1958 Agreement.