

Proposal COM(2012) 380 of 13 July 2012 for a Regulation on periodic roadworthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers and repealing Directive 2009/40/EC (s. [cep Policy Brief](#) No. 2012-37 of 10 September 2012)

CEP Overview: Set categories of vehicles and frequencies of inspection

Categories of motor vehicles with a maximum design speed exceeding 25 km/h ¹		New	Inspection interval ²
Categories of motor vehicles used for the carriage of passengers (M)			
M1	Motor vehicle having at least four wheels, with not more than 8 seats in addition to the driver's seat		4 - 2 - 1
M2	Motor vehicle having at least four wheels, with not more than 8 seats in addition to the driver's seat, with a maximum permissible mass not exceeding 5 tons (t)		1 - 1 - 1
M3	Motor vehicle having at least four wheels, with not more than 8 seats in addition to the driver's seat, with a maximum permissible mass exceeding 5 tons (t)		1 - 1 - 1
Categories of motor vehicles used for the carriage of goods (N)			
N1	Motor vehicle having at least four wheels, with a maximum permissible mass not exceeding 3,5 t		4 - 2 - 1
N2	Motor vehicle having at least four wheels, with a maximum permissible mass between 3,5t and 12t		1 - 1 - 1
N3	Motor vehicle having at least four wheels, with a maximum permissible mass exceeding 12t		1 - 1 - 1
Categories of trailers including semi-trailers (O)			
O1	With a maximum permissible mass not exceeding 0,75 t	X	-
O2	With a maximum permissible mass between 0,75 t and 3,5 t	X	4 - 2 - 1
O3	With a maximum permissible mass between 3,5 t and 10 t		1 - 1 - 1
O4	With a maximum permissible mass exceeding 10t		1 - 1 - 1
Categories of two- or three-wheel motor vehicles (L)			
L1e	Motor vehicle with two wheels, with a maximum speed not exceeding 45 km/h, with an engine capacity not exceeding 50 cm ³ with a combustion engine or a maximum continuous rated power not exceeding 4 kilowatts (kW) with an electric engine	X	4 - 2 - 1
L2e	Motor vehicle with three wheels, with a maximum speed not exceeding 45 km/h, with an engine capacity not exceeding 50 cm ³ with a positive ignition engine or a maximum continuous rated power not exceeding 4 kilowatts (kW) with an electric engine	X	4 - 2 - 1
L3e	Motor vehicle with two wheels, no trailer, with an engine capacity not exceeding 50 cm ³ with a combustion engine and/or a maximum speed not exceeding 45 km/h	X	4 - 2 - 1
L4e	Motor vehicle with two wheels, with trailer, with an engine capacity not exceeding 50 cm ³ with a combustion engine and/or a maximum speed not exceeding 45 km/h	X	4 - 2 - 1
L5e	Motor vehicle with three wheels, with an engine capacity not exceeding 50 cm ³ with a combustion engine and/or a maximum speed not exceeding 45 km/h	X	4 - 2 - 1
L6e	Four-wheeled light vehicle with an unladen mass not exceeding 350 kg, with a maximum speed not exceeding 45 km/h, with an engine capacity not exceeding 50 cm ³ with a positive ignition engine or a maximum net engine power not exceeding 4 kW with other combustion engines or a maximum continuous rated power not exceeding 4 kilowatts (with an electric engine)	X	4 - 2 - 1
L7e	Motor vehicle with 4 wheels, with an unladen mass not exceeding 400 kg (550 kg if vehicle for the carriage of goods), with a maximum net engine power not exceeding 15 kW	X	4 - 2 - 1
Categories of agricultural or forestry tractors (T)			
T5	Tractor on wheels, with a maximum speed not exceeding 40 km/h	X	1 - 1 - 1

¹ Directive 2007/46/EC, Directive 2002/24/EC und Directive 2003/37/EC.

² The first three inspection intervals are given in years. Upon the third inspection interval, inspection is carried out annually.