

## Information System Type-Approval Process

### Request for end-of-series vehicles pursuant to Article 44 or 44a of Regulation (EU) 168/2013

#### Question or problem:

Following the entry into force of Regulation (EU) 2020/1694 (“specific measures on L-category end-of-series vehicles in response to the COVID-19 pandemic”), type approval holders or their authorised agents (hereafter: applicants) can request an exceptional approval pursuant to Article 44 or 44a of Regulation (EU) 168/2013. What special features need to be considered when making a request pursuant to Article 44a?

#### Result:

Pursuant to Article 44a as many end-of-series vehicles can be registered as were in stock on 15.03.2020. This stock is the reference figure that determines the maximum number of vehicles for which exceptional approvals can be issued. The end-of-service vehicles requested in the exceptional approval do not need to be the vehicles used to determine the reference figure. The exceptional approvals pursuant to Article 44a expire on **31.12.2021**.

The applicant has to choose for each type of vehicle and exception reason the Article (44 or 44a) pursuant to which the exceptional approval is to be issued. This is to be stated in the request.

If an exception pursuant to Article 44a is requested, the applicant has to declare that the number of vehicles requested for this exception and, if applicable, exceptions already made pursuant to Article 44a is less than or equal to the number in stock on 15.03.2020. For this purpose the wording of the example text in Appendix 1 to this IST is to be used. If the procedure for the type of vehicle and exception reason has already been determined by an exceptional approval that has been issued, it will no longer be possible to obtain an exceptional approval for the same type of vehicle and exception reason pursuant to the other Article.

The above will apply as soon as the IST is published.

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