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Subject :	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters - Outcome of the European Parliament's first reading (Strasbourg, 21 to 24 April 2009)

I. INTRODUCTION

The rapporteur, Mr Ivo BELET (PPE-DE, BE), presented a report containing 42 amendments to the proposal for a Directive, on behalf of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy (amendments 1-42).

II. DEBATE

The debate, which took place on 21 April 2009, was opened by the Rapporteur who:

- stressed that the effect of the Directive would be to save money for consumers, because tyres were responsible for 20 to 30 % of fuel consumption;

- highlighted that the measures were excellent for the environment because they would lead to a saving of 1,5 million tonnes of CO₂ emissions;
- insisted on the fact that the cost/benefit analysis of the provisions of the Directive were excellent because the cost of its provisions was very limited;
- recalled that noise reduction had been included in the Directive;
- concluded that there had been a broad consultation with the industry and that no provisions were at the expense of security.

On behalf of the Commission, Commissioner Andris Piebalgs:

- indicated that the combined impact of the proposal, together with the type-approval legislation on tyres, should bring around 5% fuel savings on the total EU fleet by 2020;
- highlighted that the report added some improvements to the initial proposal, such as the change from a directive into a regulation (reducing transposition costs) and an identical application date for the label applying to all;
- stressed the positive aspects of the inclusion of snow tyres within the scope of the label, with the adoption of a specific grading as soon as possible;
- insisted on the need to find the best way of displaying the label, and asked that the proposal by the Commission to integrate the label on the stickers currently delivered with each tyre to indicate their dimension, load index etc. be supported.

III. VOTE

The plenary adopted 39 amendments to the proposal for a Directive (amendments 1-16, 18-20, 22-24, 26-34 and 36-42), as well as amendment 25, part corresponding to article 6, points 1, 2 and 4. The Plenary also adopted 3 amendments tabled by the PPE-DE political group (amendments 43-45).

The text of the amendments adopted and the European Parliament's legislative resolution are set out in the Annex hereto. The amendments are presented in the form of a consolidated text where added wordings are highlighted in ***bold and italics***, the symbol "■" indicates deleted text and the symbol "||" indicates changes of a linguistic or clerical nature.

Fuel efficiency: labelling of tyres ***I

European Parliament legislative resolution of 22 April 2009 on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters (COM(2008)0779 – C6-0411/2008 – 2008/0221(COD))

(Codecision procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the European Parliament and the Council (COM(2008)0779),
 - having regard to Article 251(2) and Article 95 of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C6-0411/2008),
 - having regard to Rule 51 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and the opinion of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (A6-0218/2009),
1. Approves the Commission proposal as amended;
 2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it intends to amend the proposal substantially or replace it with another text;
 3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission.

Amendment 1

Proposal for a directive Title

Text proposed by the Commission

Proposal for a **Directive** of the European Parliament and of the Council on labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters

Amendment

Proposal for a **Regulation** of the European Parliament and of the Council on labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters

(This amendment applies throughout the text.)

Amendment 2

Proposal for a directive
Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) Tyres are characterised by a number of parameters which are interrelated. Improving one parameter such as rolling resistance may have an adverse impact on other parameters such as wet grip, while improving wet grip may have an adverse impact on external rolling noise. Tyre manufacturers should be encouraged to optimise all parameters.

Amendment

(4) Tyres are characterised by a number of parameters which are interrelated. Improving one parameter such as rolling resistance may have an adverse impact on other parameters such as wet grip, while improving wet grip may have an adverse impact on external rolling noise. Tyre manufacturers should be encouraged to optimise all parameters, ***without undercutting safety standards which have already been achieved.***

Amendment 3

Proposal for a directive
Recital 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(6a) In order to increase understanding and awareness about rolling resistance, a fuel savings calculator, such as that which already exists for C3 tyres, would serve as a meaningful tool to demonstrate potential savings of fuel, money and CO₂.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a directive
Recital 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(10a) Snow tyres and Nordic winter tyres have specific parameters that are not fully comparable to normal tyres. In order to ensure that end-users make fair and informed decisions, the parameters of these tyres should be displayed in a way that puts them on an equal footing with normal tyres.

Amendment 5

**Proposal for a directive
Recital 11 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11a) Tyre manufacturers, suppliers and distributors should be encouraged to comply with the provisions of this Regulation before 2012 to speed up the recognition of the scheme and realisation of its benefits.

Amendment 6

**Proposal for a directive
Recital 17 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17a) Potential purchasers should be provided with supplementary standardised information which explains each of the components of the label - fuel efficiency, wet grip and noise emissions - and their relevance, and includes a fuel savings calculator which demonstrates average savings of fuel, CO₂ and costs. This information should be provided on the EU tyre labelling website and on explanatory leaflets and posters at all points of sale. The website address should be clearly indicated on the label and all technical promotional literature.

Amendment 7

**Proposal for a directive
Recital 19**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(19) Where Member States put in place incentives in favour of fuel-efficient tyres, it is appropriate that minimum fuel efficiency classes be determined in order to avoid fragmentation of the internal market. Such incentives might constitute State aid. This Directive is without

(19) In order to meet the challenge of reducing the CO₂ emissions of road transport, it is appropriate for Member States to put in place incentives in favour of fuel-efficient tyres. These incentives should be in accordance with Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty. In order to avoid

prejudice to the outcome of any future State aid procedure that may be undertaken in accordance with Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty *in their respect*.

fragmentation of the internal market, classes of minimum fuel efficiency should be determined.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a directive Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

(20) Compliance with provisions on labelling by manufacturers, suppliers and distributors is essential to achieve the aims of those provisions. Member States should therefore ***monitor such compliance through*** market surveillance ***and*** regular ex-post controls.

Amendment

(20) Compliance with provisions on labelling by manufacturers, suppliers and distributors is essential to achieve the aims of those provisions ***and to ensure a level playing field within the Community.*** Member States should therefore ***determine effective measures, including*** market surveillance, regular ex-post controls ***and effective sanctions, sufficient to ensure enforcement of the provisions of this Regulation.***

Amendment 9

Proposal for a directive Recital 20 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(20a) Member States should strive, in implementing the relevant provisions of this Regulation, to refrain from measures that impose unjustified, bureaucratic and unwieldy obligations on small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), and, where feasible, to take into consideration the special needs and financial and administrative constraints on SMEs.

Amendment 10

Proposal for a directive Recital 20 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(20b) For the proper evaluation of the implementation of this Regulation, a review should be undertaken to ascertain whether changes are necessary. This review should focus in particular on consumers' understanding of the label, including the noise parameter, and adaptation to technological change.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a directive Article 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The aim of this **Directive** is to increase the **fuel**-efficiency of road transport by promoting fuel-efficient tyres.

This **Directive** establishes a framework for the provision of information on tyre parameters through labelling.

The aim of this **Regulation** is to increase the **safety and the economic and environmental** efficiency of road transport by promoting fuel-efficient, **safe and quiet** tyres.

This **Regulation** establishes a framework for the provision of **harmonised** information on tyre parameters through labelling, **allowing consumers to make an informed choice when purchasing tyres.**

Amendment 12

Proposal for a directive Article 3 – point 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2a) ‘snow tyre’ means a tyre whose tread pattern, tread compound or structure are primarily designed to achieve in snow conditions a performance better than that of a normal tyre with regard to its ability to initiate or maintain vehicle motion;

Amendment 13

Proposal for a directive Article 3 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) ‘point of sale’ means a location where tyres are displayed, **stored** or offered for sale, including car show rooms as regards displayed tyres which are not fitted on the vehicles;

Amendment

(3) ‘point of sale’ means a location where tyres are displayed or offered for sale, including car show rooms as regards displayed tyres which are not fitted on the vehicles;

Amendment 14

Proposal for a directive Article 3 – point 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) ‘technical promotional literature’ means **all** printed **and** electronic **material** used in the marketing of tyres or vehicles aimed at end-users or distributors which **describes** the specific parameters of a tyre, **including technical manuals, brochures, Internet marketing, leaflets and catalogues**;

Amendment

(4) ‘technical promotional literature’ means **technical manuals, brochures, leaflets and catalogues, either printed, or in electronic form or published on the internet but excluding media advertising**, used in the marketing of tyres or vehicles, aimed at end-users or distributors which **describe** the specific parameters of a tyre;

Amendment 15

Proposal for a directive Article 3 – point 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5a) ‘fuel savings calculator’ means a tool provided on dedicated tyre labelling websites to demonstrate potential average savings of fuel, CO₂ and costs, for C1, C2 and C3 tyre classes;

Amendment 16

Proposal for a directive
Article 3 – point 5 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5b) ‘EU tyre labelling website’ means a central online source of explanatory and supplementary information administered by the Commission, regarding each of the components of the tyre label and including a fuel savings calculator,;

Amendment 43

Proposal for a directive
Article 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 3a

Responsibilities of the Commission

The Commission shall establish and administer, no later than September 2010, the ‘EU tyre labelling website’ as a reference source of explanatory information for each component of the label.

The website shall include:

(i) an explanation of the pictograms printed on the label;

(ii) a fuel savings calculator which demonstrates potential savings of fuel, money and CO₂ by fitting low rolling resistance tyres for C1, C2 and C3 tyre classes;

(iii) a statement highlighting the fact that actual fuel savings and road safety heavily depend on drivers' behaviour, in particular the following:

– eco-driving, which can significantly reduce fuel consumption;

– tyre pressure, that should be regularly checked for higher wet grip and fuel efficiency performance characteristics;

– *stopping distances, that should always be strictly respected.*

Amendment 18

Proposal for a directive Article 4 – points 1 and 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) suppliers shall ensure that C1 and C2 tyres, **which are** delivered to distributors or end-users, are **equipped** with a sticker on the tyre tread **displaying a label** indicating the fuel efficiency class **as set out in Annex I, Part A** and the external rolling noise measured value as set out in Annex I, **Part C; C1 tyre labels shall also indicate the wet grip class as set out in Annex I, Part B;**

(2) the format of the sticker referred to in *paragraph 1* shall be as prescribed in Annex II;

Amendment

(1) suppliers shall ensure that C1 and C2 tyres delivered to distributors or end-users are **supplied with a label to be displayed by any means or by** a sticker on the tyre tread, indicating the fuel efficiency **and wet grip** class and the external rolling noise measured value, as set out in Annex I, **Parts A, B and C, respectively;**

(2) the format of the sticker **and the label** referred to in *point 1* shall be as prescribed in Annex II;

Amendment 19

Proposal for a directive Article 4 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) suppliers shall state the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and the external rolling noise measured value on technical promotional literature as set out in Annex I in the order specified in Annex III;

Amendment

(3) suppliers shall state the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and the external rolling noise measured value on technical promotional literature as set out in Annex I in the order specified in Annex III. **For C2 and C3 tyres the measured rolling resistance coefficient shall also be stated;**

Amendment 20

Proposal for a directive Article 4 – point 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4a) suppliers shall present measured values from the type approval test with

regard to the rolling resistance coefficient (expressed in kg/t), wet grip index (expressed as a performance index, G, compared to the standard reference tyre) and noise emissions (expressed in dB) in a publicly available database.

Amendment 22

Proposal for a directive Article 5 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) distributors shall ensure that **tyres, at the point of sale, bear** the sticker provided by suppliers in accordance with Article 4(1) **in a clearly visible position;**

Amendment

(1) distributors shall ensure that the sticker **or the label** provided by suppliers in accordance with *point 1 of Article 4 or a more detailed explanatory version of the label as set out in Annex II, point 2a are available and clearly displayed either on the tyre or in its immediate proximity at the point of sale, respectively;*

Amendment 23

Proposal for a directive Article 5 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) where tyres offered for sale are not visible to the end-user, distributors shall provide end-user with **information** on the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and external rolling noise measured value of those tyres;

Amendment

(2) where tyres offered for sale are not visible to the end-user, distributors shall provide end-user with **documentation** on the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and external rolling noise measured value of those tyres;

Amendment 24

Proposal for a directive Article 5 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) for C1 **and** C2 tyres, distributors shall provide the fuel efficiency class and external rolling noise measured value with

Amendment

(3) for C1, C2 **and C3** tyres, distributors shall provide **the explanatory version of the label as set out in Annex II, point 2a**

the bills delivered to end-users when they purchase tyres. ***For C1 tyres, the wet grip class shall also be provided.***

or 2b, stating the fuel efficiency class, the wet grip class and external rolling noise measured value, as set out in Annex I, Parts A, B and C respectively, on or with the bills delivered to end-users when they purchase tyres.

Amendments 25 and 44

Proposal for a directive Article 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 6

Responsibilities of ***car*** suppliers and ***car*** distributors

Member States shall ensure that ***car*** suppliers and ***car*** distributors comply with the following provisions:

(1) ***car*** suppliers and ***car*** distributors shall ***ensure that technical promotional literature provides*** information on tyres which are fitted on new vehicles; that information shall include the fuel efficiency class as set out in Annex I, Part A, the external rolling noise measured value as set out in Annex I, Part C and, for C1 tyres, the wet grip class as set out in Annex I, Part B;

(2) where different tyre types may be fitted on a new vehicle, without end-users being offered a choice between them, the lowest fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and the highest external rolling noise measured value of these tyre types ***shall be mentioned in the technical promotional literature in the order specified in Annex III;***

(3) where end-users are offered a choice between different tyre types to be fitted on a new vehicle, ***car suppliers shall state the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and***

Amendment

Article 6

Responsibilities of ***vehicle*** suppliers and ***vehicle*** distributors

Member States shall ensure that ***vehicle*** suppliers and ***vehicle*** distributors comply with the following provisions:

(1) ***vehicle*** suppliers and ***vehicle*** distributors shall ***provide*** information on tyres which are fitted on new vehicles; that information shall include the fuel efficiency class as set out in Annex I, Part A, the external rolling noise measured value as set out in Annex I, Part C and, for C1 tyres, the wet grip class as set out in Annex I, Part B, ***in the order specified in Annex III. This information shall be included in at least the electronic technical promotional literature and be provided to end-users before the sale of the vehicle;***

(2) where different tyre types may be fitted on a new vehicle, without end-users being offered a choice between them, ***the information referred to in point 1 shall mention*** the lowest fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and the highest external rolling noise measured value of these tyre types;

(3) where end-users are offered a choice between different tyre types to be fitted on a new vehicle, ***one of the following points shall apply:***

external rolling noise measured value of these tyre types in the technical promotional literature in the order specified in Annex III;

(a) where end-users are offered a choice between different tyre/rim sizes but not between other parameters of the tyre type, the information referred in point 1 shall mention for each tyre/rim size the lowest fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and highest external rolling noise measured value of all tyre types within this tyre/rim size;

(b) except in cases covered by point (a), the information referred in point 1 shall mention the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and external rolling noise measured value of all tyre types which may be chosen by the end-user.

(4) where end-users are offered a choice between different tyre types to be fitted on a new vehicle, car distributors shall provide information on the fuel efficiency class, wet grip class and external rolling noise measured value of these tyre types before sale.

Amendment 26

Proposal for a directive Article 7

Text proposed by the Commission

The information to be provided under Articles 4, 5 and 6 on the fuel efficiency class, the external rolling noise measured value, and the wet grip class of tyres shall be obtained by applying the harmonised testing methods referred to in Annex 1.

Amendment

The information to be provided under Articles 4, 5 and 6 on the fuel efficiency class, the external rolling noise measured value, and the wet grip class of tyres shall be obtained by applying the harmonised testing methods referred to in Annex 1.
The harmonised tests shall provide end-users with a reliable and fully representative ranking of the characteristics tested.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a directive Article 8 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Such verifications shall not prejudice any EU vehicle or tyre type-approval obtained in accordance with Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 September 2007 establishing a framework for the approval of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles¹ or Regulation (EC) No .../... [concerning type-approval requirements for the general safety of motor vehicles]. For the conformity assessment Member States shall also refer, where applicable, to tyre type approval documentation and to relevant supporting documentation provided by the supplier.

¹ OJ L 263, 9.10.2007, p. 1.

Amendment 28

Proposal for a directive Article 8 – paragraph 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that the competent authorities establish a system of routine and non-routine inspections of points of sale for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the requirements of this Regulation.

Amendment 29

Proposal for a directive Article 9 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Unless they have evidence to the contrary, Member States shall consider that labels and product information comply with the provisions of this **Directive**. They may require suppliers to provide technical documentation in order to assess the accuracy of the declared values.

Amendment

2. Unless they have evidence to the contrary, Member States shall consider that labels and product information comply with the provisions of this **Regulation**. They may require suppliers to provide technical documentation, **in accordance with point 4 of Article 4**, in order to assess the accuracy of the declared values.

Amendment 30

Proposal for a directive Article 10

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall not provide incentives with regard to tyres below **the** fuel efficiency level **class C** within the meaning of Annex I **Part A**.

Amendment

Member States shall not provide incentives with regard to tyres below **class C with respect to either** fuel efficiency level **or wet grip** within the meaning of Annex I, **Parts A and B respectively**.

Amendment 31

Proposal for a directive Article 11 – point 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) introduction of requirements with respect to snow tyres or Nordic winter tyres;

Amendment 32

Proposal for a directive Article 11 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) introduction of requirements with respect to other essential parameters insofar as those parameters affect the environment, health or safety, provided that suitable harmonised testing methods are available and provided that such requirements are cost-effective;

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 33

Proposal for a directive Article 12

Text proposed by the Commission

Penalties

Member States shall ***lay down the*** rules on penalties applicable to infringements of the national provisions adopted pursuant to this ***Directive*** and ***shall take the measures necessary to ensure*** that they are implemented. ***The penalties provided for must*** be effective, proportionate and dissuasive. ***The*** Member States shall notify those ***provisions*** to the Commission ***no later than eighteen months after the entry into force of this Directive and shall notify it*** without delay ***of any subsequent amendment affecting those provisions.***

Amendment

Enforcement and penalties

1. Member States shall, by means of a continuous exchange of information, ensure close cooperation in market supervision in the interest of the consistent implementation of this Regulation. Member States shall take appropriate measures for regular ex-post controls in order to ensure that tyres which are not duly labelled are brought into conformity or taken off the market.

2. Member States shall introduce measures laying down sanctions for infringements of the provisions of this Regulation, including rules on penalties applicable to infringements of the provisions adopted pursuant to this Regulation and provisions ensuring that they are implemented.

3. Those measures shall be effective, proportionate and dissuasive.

4. Member States shall notify those measures and any subsequent

amendments thereof to the Commission without delay.

Amendment 34

Proposal for a directive

Article 14

Text proposed by the Commission

Not later than **5** years after the date of application of this **Directive**, the Commission shall **assess the need to review the energy efficiency and wet grip classes as laid down in Annex I.**

Amendment

1. Not later than **three** years after the date of application of this **Regulation**, the Commission shall **review the application of this Regulation, considering inter alia:**

(a) the effectiveness of the label in terms of consumer awareness;

(b) whether the labelling scheme should be extended to include retreaded tyres;

(c) whether new tyre parameters or classes should be introduced;

(d) the information on tyre parameters provided by vehicle suppliers and distributors to end-users.

2. **The Commission shall, on the basis of this review and after an impact assessment and a consumer survey, submit a report to the European Parliament and the Council, accompanied if appropriate, by a proposal for amendment of this Regulation.**

Amendment 45

Proposal for a directive

Article 15

Text proposed by the Commission

1. **Member States shall adopt and publish by 1 November 2011 at the latest, the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive. They shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions and a correlation table**

Amendment

1. **This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.**

between those provisions and this Directive.

They shall apply those provisions from 1 November 2012.

It shall apply from 1 November 2012.

However, Articles 4 and 5 shall not apply to tyres produced before 1 July 2012.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

2. Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of the main provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

2. This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Amendment 36

Proposal for a directive Annex I – part A – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

If a tyre type is approved for more than one tyre class (e.g. C1 and C2), the grading scale used to determine the fuel efficiency class of this tyre type should be that which is applicable to the highest tyre class (e.g. C2, not C1).

deleted

Amendment 37

Proposal for a directive Annex I – Part C a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Part Ca

For low noise tyres defined according to the grading specified below, the labelling of the measured external rolling noise value measured in dB shall be complemented by the "low noise mark":

External rolling noise classes (dB(A))

	<i>C1</i>	<i>C2</i>	<i>C3</i>
<i>Low Noise Mark*</i>	≤ 68	≤ 69	≤ 70



**Low
Noise**

**Low Noise Mark:*

Amendment 38

Proposal for a directive Annex II – point 1.1 – illustration

Text proposed by the Commission

72 dB(A)

Amendment

72 dB

Amendment 39

Proposal for a directive Annex II – point 1.1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1.1a. The following item shall be added to the proposed design:

website address of the EU tyre label website, in large font at the bottom of the label,

Amendment 40

Proposal for a directive Annex II – point 2 a (new)

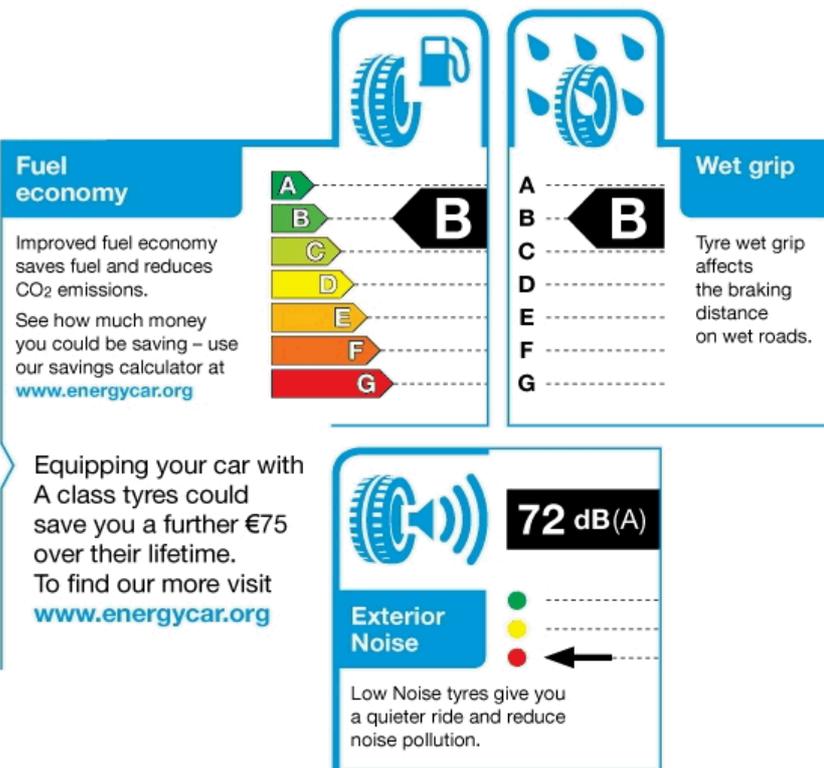
Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Format of expanded explanatory label

The explanatory version of the label referred to in Article 5 shall be in accordance with the illustration below, and the text translated into the relevant language of the point of sale. This version of the label is to be provided to the customer on or with the bill, unless this results in an undue burden on the distributor, in which case information shall be provided in accordance with Annex II, point 2b.

Savings, safety and comfort



Check your tyres regularly

Amendment 41

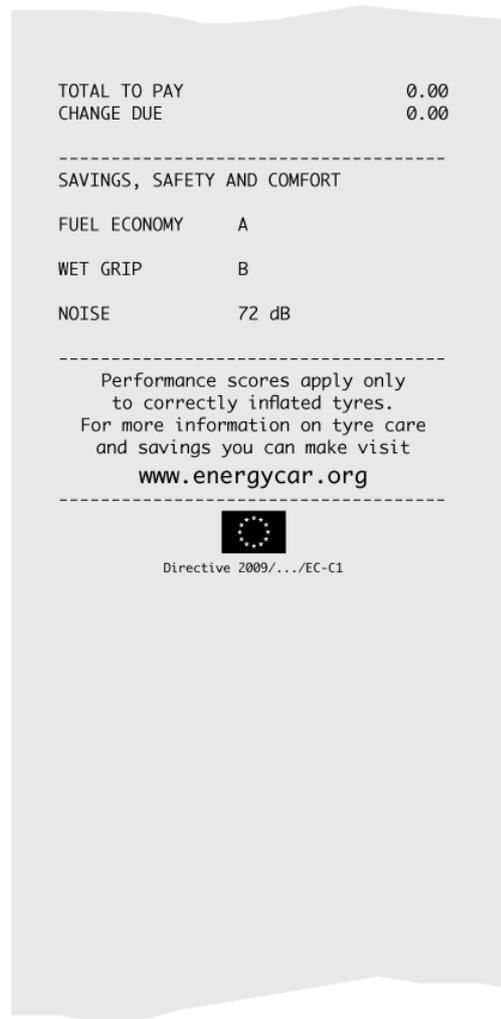
Proposal for a directive Annex II – point 2 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2b. Format of information on the receipt

Where the costs of printing the explanatory label as outlined in Annex II, point 2a, represent an undue burden on the distributor, the label information shall be provided in accordance with the illustration below:



Amendment 42

Proposal for a directive Annex III – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Suppliers must also make available on their website:

(i) an explanation of the pictograms printed on the label;

(ii) a statement highlighting the fact that actual fuel savings and road safety *heavily* depend on drivers' behaviour, in particular

Amendment

3. Suppliers must also make available on their website:

(–i) a link to the EU tyre labelling website;

(i) an explanation of the pictograms printed on the label, ***and the fuel efficiency calculator which is provided on the EU tyre labelling website;***

(ii) a statement highlighting the fact that actual fuel savings and road safety depend *heavily* on drivers' behaviour, in particular

the following:

- eco-driving can significantly reduce fuel consumption;
- tyre pressure should be regularly checked for higher wet grip and fuel efficiency performance characteristics;
- stopping distances should always be strictly respected.

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- stopping distances should always be strictly respected.