

Question for written answer E-003820/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Uniform standards for the evaluation of faults during technical inspections of vehicles

The revision of the roadworthiness package emphasises minimum requirements for the technical condition of vehicles and mutual recognition of inspections (Directive 2014/45/EU). However, differing national fault evaluation practices (e.g. a minor fault in one Member State is considered serious in others) lead to problems in cross-border traffic and inconsistent safety standards. According to the Commission's 2021 report on the implementation of the package (COM(2021) 137), there are disparities in the classification of faults, which affects approximately 20% of cross-border inspections.

1. Does the Commission plan to introduce uniform European standards for the classification of faults (minor, serious, dangerous) in technical inspections in order to avoid discrepancies between Member States?
2. How does the Commission deal with cases where a national fault leads to a re-inspection obligation in another Member State?
3. Will the revision of Directive 2014/45/EU include mandatory training for technicians on the uniform evaluation of faults?

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