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Subject: Young drivers

The fierce competition between car makers looking to produce increasingly high-performance cars with ever more powerful engines has led to new models appearing on the EU market. These high-performance models not only attract customers with considerable experience and many years driving under their belts, but also young beginners, and especially those in the 18-21 age bracket.

Unfortunately, as these young people lack experience in handling fast cars, there have been a growing number of accidents in which they are injured or die.

This is why some Member States are experimenting with new provisions applicable to young beginner drivers. One of these is the ban on drivers under 21 with limited experience from driving a powerful car fitted with an engine that exceeds certain specifications. This is aimed at avoiding such potentially serious and fatal accidents.

What strategy does the Commission have in mind for working more effectively with Member States towards introducing provisions such as this across the EU?