

**Question for written answer E-003754/2018
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Safety and speed limits for quadricycles

Quadricycles are four-wheel cars that cannot exceed a certain speed (generally 45 km/h), which can be practical for various reasons. Because of their slow speed, they are, for example, suitable for people with disabilities. However, quadricycles do not run on petrol but only on diesel or electricity. They are also expensive and very unsafe. In the Netherlands it used for a long time to be permitted to convert ordinary cars and limit their speed. For financial and safety reasons, this seems to be a good way of enabling some people to travel independently who otherwise could not do so.

Does European legislation prohibit people from converting ordinary cars in this way and having them approved (in other words: who decides on this issue, who lays down the rules and who is responsible for the roadworthiness test)?

Does the Commission have plans to regulate speed limits for motor vehicles in the near future?

Can the Commission indicate what options there are to enable people with disabilities to drive in ordinary car traffic both affordably and safely?