

**Question for written answer E-003622/2023  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Scrapping historic vehicles

Following a proposal by the Commission, in the future, the EU will be responsible for deciding whether historic vehicles can be restored or have to be scrapped. The plan includes a list of criteria, whereby ownership of the vehicle should be forfeited as soon as one of the criteria is met. In Austria, compulsory repossessions are strictly regulated. They are authorised only in exceptional cases in the property sector and the owners should be adequately compensated.

1. What legal basis is the Commission intending to use to interfere in this way with the highly personal property rights of EU citizens?
2. How does the Commission intend to control who wants to restore a classic car and how will forced scrapping be implemented?
3. To what extent does owning a classic car fall under an 'exceptional case' and how will the affected car owners be compensated?

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