New labelling system for re-certified safety fuel bladders

Article 2 of FIA standard FT3-1999, FT3.5-1999 and FT5-1999 allows the manufacturers of safety fuel bladders to extend the life of the bladders for two additional years after a re-inspection and re-certification. To date, the labelling requested for such extensions consisted only in an additional marking indicating the extended validity.

However, this re-certification labelling was not sufficient counterfeit proof.

In addition, the FIA Technical Regulations (see Appendix J to the International Sporting Code) require there to be an opening, so that the scrutineers can check the FIA label. The teams / car manufacturers tend to create an opening of a similar size as the FIA label. Therefore, when the marking was added, the marking was not visible most of the time.

For this reason, the FIA, together with the manufacturers, have decided to change the labelling of re-certified products.

Existing homologation labels on all safety fuel bladders re-certified after 01.07.2017 will need to be replaced with a label in accordance with the template in Figure 1:

![Figure 1: Re-certification label for safety fuel bladders re-certified after 01.07.2017](image)

This label will be the only homologation label visible on bladders re-certified after 01.07.2017. This means that the standard homologation label will not be visible once the bladder has been re-certified; only the label in Figure 1 will be shown.

Please be aware that fuel bladders re-certified before 01.07.2017 will still use the additional marking in Figure 2 jointly with the standard homologation label:
Validity extended until end: June 2007

Figure 2: Additional marking used only for bladders re-certified prior to 30.06.2017

We remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Kind regards,

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