



## CORRECTION

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### **ACEA Engine Oils - Retired and Obsolete Category Claims (Heavy Duty)**

Claims for non-continuing class/categories, such as ACEA E6, remain valid if the claim is from the most recent ACEA issue when the category was valid, even though the category does not appear in the current issue of the ACEA heavy duty engine oil sequences.

More than one release of the ACEA engine oil sequences may be valid at the same time. From 1 May 2022 oils may be marketed against the ACEA 2016 heavy duty engine oil sequences until 1 May 2024 although new claims are only allowable until 1 May 2023 after which, ACEA 2022 heavy duty engine oil sequences are mandatory for all new claims.

Similarly, ACEA E7 is still a valid category in the latest edition of the ACEA 2022 heavy duty engine oil sequences but ACEA E6 and E9 categories have been superseded by new ACEA E8 and ACEA E11 categories.

It is still possible to claim ACEA E6 or ACEA E9 until 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024 against the 2016 sequences (see table below) and, even after this date, it can be claimed as it is a retired or obsolete category, but you must have a copy of the supporting data for the last available version of the sequences (in this case 2016) for audit. The lubricant marketer must also be able to meet the ACEA engine oil sequence claimed in full, even if it is obsolete.

Heavy duty engine oil sequences claim validity dates are set out in the ACEA heavy duty engine oil sequences 2022, revision 1.0, as shown below.

Sequences issue	First allowable use	Mandatory for new claims	Oils with this claim may be marketed until
2004	1 November 2004	1 November 2005	31 December 2009
2007	1 February 2007	1 February 2008	23 December 2010
2008	22 December 2008	22 December 2009	22 December 2012
2010	22 December 2010	22 December 2011	22 December 2014
2012	14 December 2012	14 December 2013	1 December 2018
2016	1 December 2016	1 December 2017	1 May 2024*
2022	1 May 2022*	1 May 2023*	

\* ACEA Oil Sequences for Heavy-Duty Engines only



So to make an ACEA E9 and ACEA E7 claim after 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024, the ACEA E7 claim must meet the 2022 sequences version 1.0 of the ACEA heavy duty engine oil sequences and the ACEA E9 claim can continue to be made as long as there is sufficient technical data on the same formulation that claims ACEA E7 for the last available version of the ACEA sequences that included ACEA E9 (so ACEA 2016). This claim must also be supported by your technology provider or additive company.

Whether different performance claims mixing obsolete and current sequence categories can be made on the same formulation is a matter that the lubricant marketer would need to seek the support and advice of their technology provider.

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