

**IMMA proposal for amending the Front Position Lamp Requirements, as a result of the introduction of Automatic headlamps on (AHO)**

1. Introduction

IMMA informed 48/GRE that the motorcycle industry in Europe will voluntarily apply AHO to all their motorcycles from 17 June 2003, which will align European motorcycles with those in at least the USA and Japan.

In the USA and Japan the installation of front position lamps on motorcycles with AHO is optional, because the headlamp is permanently on.

IMMA therefore proposes that ECE Regulation No. 53 should be amended to make front position lamps optional in the case of AHO motorcycles. (The installation of front position lamps on mopeds is already optional in ECE Regulation No. 74.). This amendment will reduce the motorcycle cost, pare down the power consumption by lamps, and standardize the electric wire harnesses for Europe, the USA and Japan.

2. Proposal

ECE Regulation No. 53, paragraph 6.6.1., amend to read:

6.6. FRONT POSITION LAMP

"6.6.1. Number

One or two.

However, the installation of front position lamp(s) shall be optional if the motorcycle is so constructed that its headlamp is always switched on during the operation of the engine."

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