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Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the Working Party "Brussels 1952" (GTB) in order to amend the requirements relating to the colour of front side-marker lamps and front side reflex. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation, including Supplement 6 to the 04 series, are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

^{*} In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006–2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

I. Proposal

Paragraph 5.10.1., amend to read:

"5.10.1. For the visibility of red light towards the front of a vehicle, with the exception of a red rearmost side-marker lamp **and of a red rearmost side retro-reflector**, there must be no direct visibility of the apparent surface of a red lamp if viewed by an observer moving within Zone 1 as specified in Annex 4."

Paragraph 5.10.2., insert a reference to a new footnote 7 and a new footnote 7 and amend to read:

"5.10.2. For the visibility of white light towards the rear of the vehicle, with the exception of white conspicuity markings fitted to the vehicle **and of a white** foremost side marker lamp and of a foremost side retro-reflector, identical to incident light ⁷ there must be no direct visibility of the apparent surface of a white lamp if viewed by an observer moving within Zone 2 in a transverse plane situated 25 m behind the vehicle (see Annex 4);"

Paragraph 5.15., amend to read:

"5.15. The colours of the light emitted by the lamps ⁸ are the following:

main-beam headlamp: white dipped-beam headlamp: white

front fog lamp: white or selective yellow

reversing lamp: white direction-indicator lamp: amber hazard warning signal: amber stop lamp: red

emergency stop signal: amber or red

rear registration plate lamp: white front position lamp: white rear position lamp: red rear fog lamp: red

parking lamp: white in front, red at the rear, amber if

reciprocally incorporated in the side direction-indicator lamps or in the side-

marker lamps.

side-marker lamp: amber, however:

(a) the rearmost side-marker lamp can be red if it is grouped or combined

⁷ Also known as white or colourless retro-reflector.

⁸ Measurement of the chromaticity coordinates of the light emitted by the lamps is not part of this regulation

or reciprocally incorporated with the rear position lamp, the rear end-outline marker lamp, the rear fog lamp, the stop lamp or is grouped or has part of the light emitting surface in common with the rear retro-reflector

(b) the foremost side-marker lamp can be white if it is grouped or combined or reciprocally incorporated with any white front lighting and/or any white front signalling function, or is grouped or has part of the light emitting surface in common with the front retro-reflector

end-outline marker lamp:

white in front, red at the rear

daytime running lamp:

white

rear retro-reflector, non-triangular:

red

rear retro-reflector,

red

front retro-reflector,

triangular:

identical to incident light 9

non-triangular: side retro-reflector,

side retro-reflector, non-triangular:

amber; however:

- (a) the rearmost side retro-reflector can be red if it is grouped or has part of the light emitting surface in common with the rear position lamp, the rear end outline marker lamp, the red rearmost side-marker lamp or the rear retro-reflector, non-triangular.
- (b) the foremost side retro-reflector can be identical to incident light 9 if it is grouped or has part of the light emitting surface in common with any white front lighting and/or any white front signalling function, the white foremost side-marker lamp or the front retro-reflector, non-triangular.

⁹ Also known as white or colourless retro-reflector.

cornering lamp: white

conspicuity marking: white or yellow to the side; red or yellow to the rear. 10

adaptive front-lighting

systems (AFS): white."

The references to footnotes and footnotes in the subsequent paragraphs, will be renumbered by the secretariat accordingly.

II. Justification

1. This proposal will allow the front side marker and the foremost front side retroreflector to be white if grouped, combined or reciprocally incorporated with any white front lighting and/or signalling devices.

2. This principle has already been adopted in relation to the red rear side marker or the rearmost side retro-reflector and the same safety considerations concerning the confusion of signals apply.

 $^{10}\,$ Nothing in this Regulation shall preclude the Contracting Parties \ldots