

Proposal for Supplement 10 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)

Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Japan to clarify the "fixed position of a movable component". It is based on the request from OICA. And it supersedes ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2012/14. The modifications to the current text of the regulation are marked in bold characters.

I. Proposal

Paragraph 5.21., amend to read:

5.21. The apparent surface in the direction of the reference axis of front and rear position lamps, front and rear direction-indicator lamps and retro-reflectors shall not be hidden more than 50% by any movable component, with or without a light-signalling device installed on it, in any fixed position different from the "normal position of use".

Fixed position of a movable component means the stable or natural rest position(s) of use specified by the vehicle manufacturer, whether locked or not.

If the above requirement is not practicable:

II. Justification

Japan proposed to add a definition of fixed position in paragraph 2 in ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2012/14. But OICA expressed concern for future and requested to limit the definition only for paragraph 5.21. The requirement in this paragraph is only on the condition different from "normal position of use".

Japan can compromise on OICA request because it can also solve the Japanese problem.