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**AMENDMENTS TO AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1968 CONVENTIONS ON
ROAD TRAFFIC AND ON ROAD SIGNS AND SIGNALS AND THE 1971 EUROPEAN
AGREEMENTS SUPPLEMENTING THEM**

Questionnaire on blue markings

Note by the secretariat

1. At its thirty-fifth session, concerning the proposed amendment to Article 29.2 of the Vienna Convention on Road Signs and Signals (paragraph 41 ter of TRANS/WP.1/2000/20 on the use of blue markings to indicate a limitation on the duration of parking), the Working Party agreed with the recommendation of the Ad hoc Legal Experts Group that this issue had to be clarified and requested the representative of Poland who had written the proposal to develop a questionnaire for member countries on the use of blue markings.
2. The secretariat sent the questionnaire to member countries and received the following replies.
3. The 20 replies show that 8 countries use blue markings to indicate parking. Hungary is discussing the possible introduction of blue markings for parking.

**QUESTIONNAIRE ON CURRENT PRACTICES REGARDING THE USE OF
BLUE MARKINGS TO SHOW PARKING PLACES**

*(in accordance with Article 29.2 of the
Vienna Convention on Road Signs and Signals)*

1. Name of the country:

2. Are blue markings used in your country to show parking places ?

Yes

No

3. If yes, please specify in what cases they are used :

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parking is subject to payment but duration of parking is not limited

duration of parking is limited but parking is not subject to payment

parking is subject to payment and duration of parking is limited

parking is reserved for certain categories of vehicles such as

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other cases, please specify

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Replies received as of 15 January 2001

Austria

2. Yes.

3. Other cases. Duration of parking is limited (with or without payment).

Belarus

2. No.

Belgium

2. No.

Croatia

2. Yes.

3. Parking is subject to payment and duration of parking is limited.

Parking is reserved for certain categories of vehicle such as invalids or the disabled.

Czech Republic

2. Yes.
3. Duration of parking is limited but parking is not subject to payment (this is the current status but we want to change it to parking is subject to payment and duration of parking is limited).

Denmark

2. No.

France

2. Yes.
3. Duration of parking is limited but parking is not subject to payment.

Germany

2. No.

Hungary

2. No.
- Note. The idea of such markings is under discussion at present.

Israel

2. Yes.
3. They are used on curb edges (blue-white) to indicate that parking is permitted under certain conditions (duration, payment, days, vehicles, etc.). The conditions are indicated on signs nearby. There is no blue marking showing location on the pavement of parking spaces. Such marking is white.

Latvia

2. No.

Malta

2. No.

Netherlands

2. Yes.
3. Duration of parking is limited but parking is not subject to payment.

Norway

2. No.

Poland

2. No.

Romania

2. No.

Russian Federation

2. No.

Slovenia

2. Yes.
3. Parking is subject to payment and duration of parking is limited. Managers of certain roads mark parking places with blue markings and traffic signs. Parking so marked is limited to 2 hours.

Switzerland

2. Yes.
3. The so-called blue zone in our country is signaled by a sign and by blue markings on the ground. Without any further time limit shown on the sign, it means that vehicles are allowed to park there one hour if they arrive between 08.00 and 11.30 or between 13.30 and 18.00 on workdays. If they arrive between 11.30 and 13.30 they are allowed to stay until 14.30. If they arrive between 18.00 and 08.00 they are allowed to stay until 09.00. These special rules, as well as the correct setting of the time of arrival, are noted on the parking disk.
Duration of parking is limited but parking is not subject to payment. All vehicles with dimensions close to the dimension of the parking space may be parked there.

Turkey

2. No.
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