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This document, submitted by the secretariat and prepared on the basis of work of experts from France, Kuwait, Latvia, Luxembourg, and Portugal contains preliminary analysis of D, 1 to G, 24c signs.

Preliminary analysis of E,8b to E,11a road signs (Portugal / Luxembourg)



E,8a – End of built-up area (Name of town)



E,8b – End of built-up area (Shape of town)



E,8c – End of built-up area (Shape and name of town)



E,8d – End of built-up area (Mae of town , Blue background)



E,9a – Start of No Parking zone



E,9b – Start of No Parking Zone (Time restriction)



E,9c – Start of Parking Zone



E,9d – Start of 30 Zone



E,10a – End of No Parking Zone



E,10b – End of No Parking zone (Time restriction)



E,10c – End of Parking Zone



E,10d – End of Maximum Speed zone



E,11a – Start of tunnel

End of built-up area (Name of town)



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| Code | E,8a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | End of Built-up Area (sign to be the same as E,7a except for red bars or red parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left side of E,7a) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 13 bis - Special regulation signs</p> <p>1. Section E of Annex 1 to this Convention describes the special regulation signs and gives their meaning.</p> <p>2. Signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c or E, 7d and E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c or E, 8d shall notify road-users that the general regulations governing traffic in built-up areas in the territory of the State apply from signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c; or E, 7d to signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c; or E, 8d except in so far as different regulations may be notified by other signs on certain sections of road in the built-up area.</p> <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>Place identification signs may be used to show the frontier between two countries or the boundary between two administrative divisions of the same country or the name of a river, mountain pass, beauty spot, etc. These signs shall differ conspicuously from the signs referred to in Article 13 bis, paragraph 2, of this Convention.</p> <p>7. Signs indicating the beginning and the end of a built-up area</p> <p>(a) The sign to indicate the beginning of a built-up area shall bear the name of the built-up area or the symbol showing the silhouette of a built-up area or the two combined. Signs E,7a; E, 7b; E, 7c and E, 7d are examples of signs showing the beginning of a built-up area.</p> <p>(b) The sign showing the end of a built-up area shall be identical except that it shall be crossed by an oblique bar coloured red or consisting of parallel lines coloured red running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. Signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c and E, 8d are examples of signs indicating the end of a built-up area. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 6, paragraph 1 of this Convention these signs may be placed on the reverse side of signs identifying a built-up area.</p> <p>(c) The signs covered by this paragraph shall be used in conformity with the provisions of the Convention, Article 13 bis, paragraph 2.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Outer border / rim | black line | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | white | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | black | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | upper and lower case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | red oblique bar from the upper right edge to the lower left edge | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries use only capital letters</p> <p>some countries use yellow background</p> <p>Some countries integrate above or below the name of the forthcoming destinations</p> <p>Some countries have the ‘end of’ bar above and some behind the name of the town</p> <p>in general: there might have been misunderstandings by some countries comparing the images provided for E,8a to E,8d</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suggestions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

End of built-up area (Silhouette of town)



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| Code | E,8b | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | End of Built-up Area (sign to be the same as E,7b except for red bars or red parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left side of E,7b)(alternative to E,8a) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 13 bis - Special regulation signs</p> <p>1. Section E of Annex 1 to this Convention describes the special regulation signs and gives their meaning.</p> <p>2. Signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c or E, 7d and E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c or E, 8d shall notify road-users that the general regulations governing traffic in built-up areas in the territory of the State apply from signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c; or E, 7d to signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c; or E, 8d except in so far as different regulations may be notified by other signs on certain sections of road in the built-up area.</p> <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>Place identification signs may be used to show the frontier between two countries or the boundary between two administrative divisions of the same country or the name of a river, mountain pass, beauty spot, etc. These signs shall differ conspicuously from the signs referred to in Article 13 bis, paragraph 2, of this Convention.</p> <p>7. Signs indicating the beginning and the end of a built-up area</p> <p>(a) The sign to indicate the beginning of a built-up area shall bear the name of the built-up area or the symbol showing the silhouette of a built-up area or the two combined. Signs E,7a; E, 7b; E, 7c and E, 7d are examples of signs showing the beginning of a built-up area.</p> <p>(b) The sign showing the end of a built-up area shall be identical except that it shall be crossed by an oblique bar coloured red or consisting of parallel lines coloured red running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. Signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c and E, 8d are examples of signs indicating the end of a built-up area. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 6, paragraph 1 of this Convention these signs may be placed on the reverse side of signs identifying a built-up area.</p> <p>(c) The signs covered by this paragraph shall be used in conformity with the provisions of the Convention, Article 13 bis, paragraph 2.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Shape: | rectangular | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outer border / rim | black line | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | white | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | upper and lower case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | black silhouette | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | red oblique bar from the upper right edge to the lower left edge | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries use inverted colors: white silhouette on red or green background.</p> <p>in general: there might have been misunderstandings by some countries comparing the images provided for E,8a to E,8d</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suggestions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

End of built-up area (Silhouette and name of town)



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| Code | E,8c | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | End of Built-up Area (sign to be the same as E,7c except for red bars or red parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left side of E,7c)(alternative to E,8a) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 13 bis - Special regulation signs</p> <p>1. Section E of Annex 1 to this Convention describes the special regulation signs and gives their meaning.</p> <p>2. Signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c or E, 7d and E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c or E, 8d shall notify road-users that the general regulations governing traffic in built-up areas in the territory of the State apply from signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c; or E, 7d to signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c; or E, 8d except in so far as different regulations may be notified by other signs on certain sections of road in the built-up area.</p> <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>Place identification signs may be used to show the frontier between two countries or the boundary between two administrative divisions of the same country or the name of a river, mountain pass, beauty spot, etc. These signs shall differ conspicuously from the signs referred to in Article 13 bis, paragraph 2, of this Convention.</p> <p>7. Signs indicating the beginning and the end of a built-up area</p> <p>(a) The sign to indicate the beginning of a built-up area shall bear the name of the built-up area or the symbol showing the silhouette of a built-up area or the two combined. Signs E,7a; E, 7b; E, 7c and E, 7d are examples of signs showing the beginning of a built-up area.</p> <p>(b) The sign showing the end of a built-up area shall be identical except that it shall be crossed by an oblique bar coloured red or consisting of parallel lines coloured red running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. Signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c and E, 8d are examples of signs indicating the end of a built-up area. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 6, paragraph 1 of this Convention these signs may be placed on the reverse side of signs identifying a built-up area.</p> <p>(c) The signs covered by this paragraph shall be used in conformity with the provisions of the Convention, Article 13 bis, paragraph 2.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Shape: | rectangular | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outer border / rim | black line | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | white | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | black | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | upper and lower case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | black silhouette | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | red oblique bar from the upper right edge to the lower left edge | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries use inverted colors: white silhouette on red or green background.</p> <p>Some countries integrate above or below the name of the forthcoming destinations</p> <p>This sign is rarely used.</p> <p>in general: there might have been misunderstandings by some countries comparing the images provided for E,8a to E,8d</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

End of built-up area (blue)



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| Code | E,8d | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | End of Built-up Area (sign to be the same as E,7d except for red bars or red parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left side of E,7d) (1971 European agreement: this sign not to be used) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 13 bis - Special regulation signs</p> <p>1. Section E of Annex 1 to this Convention describes the special regulation signs and gives their meaning.</p> <p>2. Signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c or E, 7d and E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c or E, 8d shall notify road-users that the general regulations governing traffic in built-up areas in the territory of the State apply from signs E, 7a; E, 7b; E, 7c; or E, 7d to signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c; or E, 8d except in so far as different regulations may be notified by other signs on certain sections of road in the built-up area.</p> <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>Place identification signs may be used to show the frontier between two countries or the boundary between two administrative divisions of the same country or the name of a river, mountain pass, beauty spot, etc. These signs shall differ conspicuously from the signs referred to in Article 13 bis, paragraph 2, of this Convention.</p> <p>7. Signs indicating the beginning and the end of a built-up area</p> <p>(a) The sign to indicate the beginning of a built-up area shall bear the name of the built-up area or the symbol showing the silhouette of a built-up area or the two combined. Signs E,7a; E, 7b; E, 7c and E, 7d are examples of signs showing the beginning of a built-up area.</p> <p>(b) The sign showing the end of a built-up area shall be identical except that it shall be crossed by an oblique bar coloured red or consisting of parallel lines coloured red running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. Signs E, 8a; E, 8b; E, 8c and E, 8d are examples of signs indicating the end of a built-up area. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 6, paragraph 1 of this Convention these signs may be placed on the reverse side of signs identifying a built-up area.</p> <p>(c) The signs covered by this paragraph shall be used in conformity with the provisions of the Convention, Article 13 bis, paragraph 2.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Shape: | rectangular | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outer border / rim | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | blue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | white | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | upper case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | red oblique bar from the upper right edge to the lower left edge | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Sign used by some non-European countries</p> <p>Some European countries use the sign despite of the 1971 European agreement.</p> <p>in general: there might have been misunderstandings by some countries comparing the images provided for E,8a to E,8d</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Start of No Parking Zone



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| Code | E,9a |
| Description | Start of No Parking Zone (the word ZONE may be included above or below the symbol, language may vary). |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(a) Beginning of a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate that a sign applies to all roads in a zone (zonal validity), the sign shall be displayed on a rectangular panel with a light-coloured ground. The word "ZONE" or its equivalent in the national language may be displayed above or below the sign on the panel. Specific details of the restrictions, prohibitions or obligations indicated by the sign may be given below the sign on the panel or on an additional panel. Signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity) shall be set up at all roads giving access to the zone concerned. The zone preferably should only include roads which have similar characteristics.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 9a; E, 9b; E, 9c and E, 9d are examples of signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 9a - Zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 9b - Zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 9c - Parking zone;</p> <p>E, 9d - Maximum speed zone.</p> <p>ARTICLE 1 - Definitions</p> <p>A vehicle is said to be:</p> <p>(i) "Standing" if it is stationary for the time needed to pick up or set down persons or to load or unload goods; and</p> <p>(ii) "Parked" if it is stationary for any reason other than the need to avoid interference with another road-user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations, and if the period during which the vehicle is stationary is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods;</p> <p>Nevertheless, it shall be open to Contracting Parties to regard as "standing" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (ii) above for a period not exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation, and to regard as "parked" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (i) above for a period exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation;</p> |
| Image description | <p>Shape: rectangular</p> <p>Outer border / rim: black line</p> <p>Background color: white</p> <p>Text color: black</p> <p>Text – letters: "ZONE" upper case</p> <p>Shapes: none</p> <p>included sign: C,18 No Parking</p> <p>"End of" symbolization: none</p> |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use a zone panel</p> <p>Some countries use a yellow background color</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> <p>Some countries omit the word "ZONE"</p> |
| Suggestions | |

Start of No Parking Zone (Time restriction)



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| Code | E,9b |
| Description | Start of No Parking Zone(time restriction) (the word ZONE may be included above or below the symbol, language may vary). |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(a) Beginning of a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate that a sign applies to all roads in a zone (zonal validity), the sign shall be displayed on a rectangular panel with a light-coloured ground. The word "ZONE" or its equivalent in the national language may be displayed above or below the sign on the panel. Specific details of the restrictions, prohibitions or obligations indicated by the sign may be given below the sign on the panel or on an additional panel. Signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity) shall be set up at all roads giving access to the zone concerned. The zone preferably should only include roads which have similar characteristics.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 9a; E, 9b; E, 9c and E, 9d are examples of signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 9a - Zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 9b - Zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 9c - Parking zone;</p> <p>E, 9d - Maximum speed zone.</p> <p>ARTICLE 1 - Definitions</p> <p>A vehicle is said to be:</p> <p>(i) "Standing" if it is stationary for the time needed to pick up or set down persons or to load or unload goods; and</p> <p>(ii) "Parked" if it is stationary for any reason other than the need to avoid interference with another road-user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations, and if the period during which the vehicle is stationary is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods;</p> <p>Nevertheless, it shall be open to Contracting Parties to regard as "standing" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (ii) above for a period not exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation, and to regard as "parked" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (i) above for a period exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation;</p> |
| Image description | <p>Shape: rectangular</p> <p>Outer border / rim: black line</p> <p>Background color: white</p> <p>Text color: black</p> <p>Text – letters: "ZONE" upper case, indication of time lower case</p> <p>Shapes: none</p> <p>included sign: C,18 No Parking</p> <p>"End of" symbolization: none</p> |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use a zone panel</p> <p>Some countries use a yellow background color</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> <p>Some countries omit the word "ZONE"</p> |
| Suggestions | |

Start of No Parking Zone (Time restriction)



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| Code | E,9c |
| Description | Start of Parking Zone (the word ZONE may be included above or below the symbol, language may vary). |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(a) Beginning of a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate that a sign applies to all roads in a zone (zonal validity), the sign shall be displayed on a rectangular panel with a light-coloured ground. The word "ZONE" or its equivalent in the national language may be displayed above or below the sign on the panel. Specific details of the restrictions, prohibitions or obligations indicated by the sign may be given below the sign on the panel or on an additional panel. Signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity) shall be set up at all roads giving access to the zone concerned. The zone preferably should only include roads which have similar characteristics.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 9a; E, 9b; E, 9c and E, 9d are examples of signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 9a - Zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 9b - Zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 9c - Parking zone;</p> <p>E, 9d - Maximum speed zone.</p> <p>ARTICLE 1 - Definitions</p> <p>A vehicle is said to be:</p> <p>(i) "Standing" if it is stationary for the time needed to pick up or set down persons or to load or unload goods; and</p> <p>(ii) "Parked" if it is stationary for any reason other than the need to avoid interference with another road-user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations, and if the period during which the vehicle is stationary is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods;</p> <p>Nevertheless, it shall be open to Contracting Parties to regard as "standing" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (ii) above for a period not exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation, and to regard as "parked" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (i) above for a period exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation;</p> |
| Image description | <p>Shape: rectangular</p> <p>Outer border / rim: black line</p> <p>Background color: white</p> <p>Text color: black</p> <p>Text – letters: "ZONE" upper case, indication of time lower case</p> <p>Shapes: none</p> <p>included sign: E,14a Parking</p> <p>"End of" symbolization: none</p> |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use an extra zone panel</p> <p>Some countries use a yellow background color</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> <p>Some countries omit the word "ZONE"</p> <p>Some countries add more text or symbols to precise the parking conditions or times.</p> |
| Suggestions | |

Start of Maximum Speed Zone



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| Code | E,9d | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | Start of Maximum Speed Zone (the word ZONE may be included above or below the symbol, language may vary). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(a) Beginning of a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate that a sign applies to all roads in a zone (zonal validity), the sign shall be displayed on a rectangular panel with a light-coloured ground. The word "ZONE" or its equivalent in the national language may be displayed above or below the sign on the panel. Specific details of the restrictions, prohibitions or obligations indicated by the sign may be given below the sign on the panel or on an additional panel. Signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity) shall be set up at all roads giving access to the zone concerned. The zone preferably should only include roads which have similar characteristics.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 9a; E, 9b; E, 9c and E, 9d are examples of signs applying to all roads in a zone (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 9a - Zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 9b - Zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 9c - Parking zone;</p> <p>E, 9d - Maximum speed zone.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Shape: | rectangular | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outer border / rim | black line | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | white | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | black | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | “ZONE” upper case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| included sign: | C,14 Maximum speed limit | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use a zone panel</p> <p>Some countries use a yellow background color</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> <p>Some countries omit the word “ZONE”</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suggestions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

End of No Parking Zone



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| Code | E,10a |
| Description | End of No Parking Zone (sign to be the same as E,9a except that it shall be gray with a black or dark gray bar or black or gray parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left). |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(b) Exit from a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate the exit from a zone in which a sign has zonal validity, the same sign displayed on a rectangular panel shall be set up as that placed at the entry to the zone but it shall be grey on a rectangular panel with a light coloured ground. A black or dark grey diagonal band or parallel grey or black lines forming such a band shall slope downwards across the sign from right to left.</p> <p>Signs indicating the exit from a zone shall be set up on all roads which may be used to leave that zone.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 10a; E, 10c and E, 10d are examples of signs indicating the exit from a zone in which a sign applies to all roads (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 10a - End of zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 10b - End of zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 10c - End of parking zone;</p> <p>E, 10d - End of maximum speed zone.</p> <p>ARTICLE 1 - Definitions</p> <p>A vehicle is said to be:</p> <p>(i) "Standing" if it is stationary for the time needed to pick up or set down persons or to load or unload goods; and</p> <p>(ii) "Parked" if it is stationary for any reason other than the need to avoid interference with another road-user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations, and if the period during which the vehicle is stationary is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods;</p> <p>Nevertheless, it shall be open to Contracting Parties to regard as "standing" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (ii) above for a period not exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation, and to regard as "parked" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (i) above for a period exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation;</p> |
| Image description | <p>Shape: rectangular</p> <p>Outer border / rim: black line</p> <p>Background color: white</p> <p>Text color: black</p> <p>Text – letters: "ZONE" upper case</p> <p>Shapes: none</p> <p>included sign: C,18 No Parking, converted from colored to shades of gray</p> <p>"End of" symbolization: black parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left</p> |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use a zone panel</p> <p>Some countries do not convert the colors to shades of gray</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> <p>Some countries omit the word "ZONE"</p> |
| Suggestions | |

End of No Parking Zone (Time restriction)



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| Code | E,10b | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | End of No Parking Zone(time restriction) (sign to be the same as E,9b except that it shall be gray with a black or dark gray bar or black or gray parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(b) Exit from a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate the exit from a zone in which a sign has zonal validity, the same sign displayed on a rectangular panel shall be set up as that placed at the entry to the zone but it shall be gray on a rectangular panel with a light coloured ground. A black or dark grey diagonal band or parallel grey or black lines forming such a band shall slope downwards across the sign from right to left.</p> <p>Signs indicating the exit from a zone shall be set up on all roads which may be used to leave that zone.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 10a; E, 10c and E, 10d are examples of signs indicating the exit from a zone in which a sign applies to all roads (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 10a - End of zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 10b - End of zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 10c - End of parking zone;</p> <p>E, 10d - End of maximum speed zone.</p> <p>ARTICLE 1 - Definitions</p> <p>A vehicle is said to be:</p> <p>(i) "Standing" if it is stationary for the time needed to pick up or set down persons or to load or unload goods; and</p> <p>(ii) "Parked" if it is stationary for any reason other than the need to avoid interference with another road-user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations, and if the period during which the vehicle is stationary is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods;</p> <p>Nevertheless, it shall be open to Contracting Parties to regard as "standing" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (ii) above for a period not exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation, and to regard as "parked" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (i) above for a period exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation;</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Outer border / rim | black line | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Text color: | black | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | “ZONE” upper case, indication of time lower case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| included sign: | C,18 No Parking, converted from colored to shades of gray | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | black parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use a zone panel</p> <p>Some countries do not convert the colors to shades of gray</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | Some countries omit the word "ZONE" |
| Suggestions | |

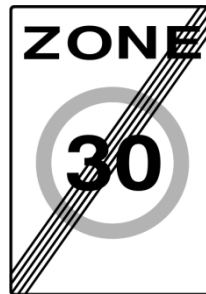
End of No Parking Zone (Time restriction)



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| Code | E,10c |
| Description | End of Parking Zone (sign to be the same as E,9c except that it shall be gray with a black or dark gray bar or black or gray parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left). |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(b) Exit from a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate the exit from a zone in which a sign has zonal validity, the same sign displayed on a rectangular panel shall be set up as that placed at the entry to the zone but it shall be grey on a rectangular panel with a light coloured ground. A black or dark grey diagonal band or parallel grey or black lines forming such a band shall slope downwards across the sign from right to left.</p> <p>Signs indicating the exit from a zone shall be set up on all roads which may be used to leave that zone.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 10a; E, 10c and E, 10d are examples of signs indicating the exit from a zone in which a sign applies to all roads (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 10a - End of zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 10b - End of zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 10c - End of parking zone;</p> <p>E, 10d - End of maximum speed zone.</p> <p>ARTICLE 1 - Definitions</p> <p>A vehicle is said to be:</p> <p>(i) "Standing" if it is stationary for the time needed to pick up or set down persons or to load or unload goods; and</p> <p>(ii) "Parked" if it is stationary for any reason other than the need to avoid interference with another road-user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations, and if the period during which the vehicle is stationary is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods;</p> <p>Nevertheless, it shall be open to Contracting Parties to regard as "standing" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (ii) above for a period not exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation, and to regard as "parked" any vehicle which is stationary within the meaning of subparagraph (i) above for a period exceeding that fixed by domestic legislation;</p> |
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| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use an extra zone panel</p> <p>Some countries do not convert the colors to shades of gray</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> |

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| | Some countries omit the word "ZONE" Some countries add more text or symbols to precise the parking conditions or times. |
| Suggestions | |

End of Maximum Speed Zone



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| Code | E,10d | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | End of Maximum Speed Zone (sign to be the same as E,9d except that it shall be gray with a black or dark gray bar or black or gray parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs</p> <p>8. Signs having zonal validity</p> <p>(b) Exit from a zone</p> <p>(i) To indicate the exit from a zone in which a sign has zonal validity, the same sign displayed on a rectangular panel shall be set up as that placed at the entry to the zone but it shall be grey on a rectangular panel with a light coloured ground. A black or dark grey diagonal band or parallel grey or black lines forming such a band shall slope downwards across the sign from right to left.</p> <p>Signs indicating the exit from a zone shall be set up on all roads which may be used to leave that zone.</p> <p>(ii) Signs E, 10a; E, 10c and E, 10d are examples of signs indicating the exit from a zone in which a sign applies to all roads (zonal validity):</p> <p>E, 10a - End of zone in which parking is prohibited;</p> <p>E, 10b - End of zone in which parking is prohibited at certain times;</p> <p>E, 10c - End of parking zone;</p> <p>E, 10d - End of maximum speed zone.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Shape: | rectangular | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outer border / rim | black line | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | white | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | black | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | “ZONE” upper case | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| included sign: | C,14 Maximum speed limit, converted from colored to shades of gray | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | black parallel lines crossing sign from upper right to lower left | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | <p>Some countries do not use a zone panel</p> <p>Some countries do not convert the colors to shades of gray</p> <p>Some countries use a square background panel</p> <p>Some countries omit the word “ZONE”</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suggestions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Start of Tunnel



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| Code | E,11a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description | Start of Tunnel (special traffic rules apply; to be used for tunnels 1000m or longer and in cases provided for by domestic legislation; to be placed where rules start; length to be indicated on the sign bottom or with panel H,2 if tunnel is 1000m or longer; tunnel name may be included)(may also be used for advanced warning with distance to tunnel indicated on the sign or with panel H,1) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convention references | <p>ARTICLE 13 bis - Special regulation signs 2 bis. Sign E, 11a shall be used for tunnels of 1,000 m or more and in cases provided for by domestic legislation. For tunnels of 1,000 m or more, the length shall be included either in the lower part of the sign, or on an additional panel H, 2, as described in Annex 1, section H. The name of the tunnel may be indicated according to Article 8, paragraph 3 of this Convention.</p> <p>ARTICLE 18 - Place identification signs 9. Signs notifying the entry to or exit from a tunnel where special rules apply (a) Sign E, 11a 'TUNNEL' indicates a section of road passing through a tunnel and on which special traffic rules apply. It is placed at the point from which these rules apply. (b) In order to warn road users in advance, sign E, 11a may be placed in addition at a suitable distance before the point where the special rules apply; such sign shall show, either in its lower part, or on an additional panel H, 1, as described in section H of this Annex, the distance between the point at which it is set up and the point from which these special rules apply. (c) Sign E, 11b 'END OF TUNNEL' may be placed at the point from which the special rules no longer apply.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Shape: | rectangular | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outer border / rim | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Background color: | blue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text color: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Text – letters: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shapes: | black, on a white square | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| included sign: | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| “End of” symbolization | none | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Comparison | Some countries differing symbols for the tunnel Some countries use the triangular Danger warning sign with the tunnel symbol to indicate the start of tunnel. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suggestions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Road Signs and Signals E12a-E16 - Latvia

E, 12^a "Pedestrian Crossing, Here (colours: blue or black ground, white or yellow triangle, black or dark blue symbol) (symbol to be the same as used in A, 12) (symbol may be reversed)" (*recommendation drafted according to recommendation on A, 12^a "Pedestrian crossing"*):

The group noted that many countries used a symbol of a person and a zebra crossing (stripes) (except several countries: Belgium, Greece, Kuwait, Poland, Vietnam).

The group recommended that a new E, 12^c symbol comprised of a person and zebra crossing be added to the existing symbol in the Convention, and is the preferred symbol to be used.

The expert group also recommended using the symbol of a person already existing in E, 12^c to replace the symbol in E, 12^a (*according to the general recommendations: the group recommended adopting a schematic approach (i.e. by striving to remove unnecessary details such as hats and clothing) for all symbols used in the signs in the 1968 Convention. This will promote a universal understanding of road signs around the world*).

E, 12^b "Pedestrian Crossing, Here (alternative to E, 12^a) (symbol to be the same as used in A, 12) (symbol may be reversed) [1971 European Agreement: this sign not to be used]":

The group noted that countries do not use E, 12^b sign according to 1971 European Agreement.

The group also noted that some signs should be removed from Road Signs Management System E, 12^b segment (Montenegro sign as it is Danger warning sign A, 12, also Vietnam sign as it is a reverse of E, 12^a sign).

E, 12^c "Pedestrian Crossing, Here (colours: dark ground, white symbol) (alternative to E, 12^a) (symbol may be reversed)":

The group noted that only one country (Iran) uses sign E, 12^c.

The group also noted that some signs should be removed from Road Signs Management System E, 12^c segment and should be put to E, 12^a segment (Azerbaijan, Luxembourg).

E, 13^a "Hospital":

The group noted that one country (Iran) uses several colours (blue and white) for the background of the sign, also uses different colour (black) for letter "H" (in comparison with illustrated white colour in the Convention).

The group also noted that some countries (Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia) use additional word in national language meaning "Hospital".

In addition the group noted that some signs should be removed from Road Signs Management System E, 13^a segment as these signs should be used only in E, 13^b segment (Lithuania, Uzbekistan).

E, 13^b "Hospital (symbol may be replaced by F, 1^b or F, 1^c) (alternative to E, 13^a)":

The group noted that several countries (Iran, Montenegro) use only a red symbol of a cross "+" (symbol F, 1^a) (*Convention's Section F, INFORMATION, FACILITIES OR SERVICE SIGNS, II. Descriptions, 1. "FIRST-AID STATION" symbol*⁵⁹: *The symbols depicting first-aid stations in the States concerned shall be used. These symbols shall be red. Examples of these symbols are F, 1^a, F, 1^b and F, 1^c.*)

The group also noted that one country (Ukraine) uses a symbol of a white cross "+" in a green background.

E, 14 a:

All countries use the same design of sign in accordance with the Convention. There are very slight difference of symbol and the tone of blue background used in the Convention.

E, 14 b:

Majority countries (20 of 27) noted that such road sign is not applicable in domestic country. The rest of countries have different approach for the design of the sign and is not in accordance with the Convention.

Albania and Italy uses white background of the sign, but that is allowed by the Convention Part I: Convention on Road Signs and Signals – ANNEX 1, Section E, Special Regulation Signs, I. General characteristics and symbols: Special regulation signs are usually square or rectangular with a blue ground and a light coloured symbol or inscription, or with a light coloured ground and dark coloured symbol or inscription.

E, 14 c:

Most countries (16 of 28) noted that such sign is not applicable in domestic country. Other countries use similar (slightly different symbol) and comprehensible design of the sign in accordance with the Convention.

Albania, Denmark and Italy uses white background of the sign, but that is allowed by the Convention Part I: Convention on Road Signs and Signals – ANNEX 1, Section E, Special Regulation Signs, I. General characteristics and symbols: Special regulation signs are usually square or rectangular with a blue ground and a light coloured symbol or inscription, or with a light coloured ground and dark coloured symbol or inscription.

E, 15:

Most countries use a slight different symbol. A few countries don't use such sign (Iran, Kuwait and Switzerland).

According to the Convention Part IV: Convention – Declarations and Reservations, Switzerland, Reservations: Switzerland does not consider itself bound by the introductory provision that signal E, 15 shall have a blue ground.

Denmark and Finland (bus stop for local traffic) uses sign with yellow background, but that is allowed by the Convention Part I: Convention on Road Signs and Signals – ANNEX 1, Section E, Special Regulation Signs, I. General characteristics and symbols: Special regulation signs are

usually square or rectangular with a blue ground and a light coloured symbol or inscription, or with a light coloured ground and dark coloured symbol or inscription.

Belgium, France, Sweden and Finland (bus stop for long – distance traffic) has blue background, but that is allowed by the Convention Part I: Convention on Road Signs and Signals – ANNEX 1, Section E, Special Regulation Signs, I. General characteristics and symbols: Special regulation signs are usually square or rectangular with a blue ground and a light coloured symbol or inscription, or with a light coloured ground and dark coloured symbol or inscription.

Azerbaijan and Vietnam uses wording additionally to symbol.

E, 16:

Most countries use a slightly different symbol. Many countries (Sweden, Switzerland, Nigeria, Iran, Kuwait, Lithuania, Belgium, Greece) noted that such sign is not applicable.

Denmark and Finland uses sign with yellow background, but that is allowed by the Convention Part I: Convention on Road Signs and Signals – ANNEX 1, Section E, Special Regulation Signs, I. General characteristics and symbols: Special regulation signs are usually square or rectangular with a blue ground and a light coloured symbol or inscription, or with a light coloured ground and dark coloured symbol or inscription.

Azerbaijan and Vietnam uses wording additionally to symbol.

France uses triangular form of white background.

A sign-by-sign assessment by France and Kuwait

E, 17a Residential area sign

The group noted that some countries included the text “zone” within the sign in conformity with the section E of the Annex I of the Convention (cf. II, 8, a). One country also included the speed limit symbol within the sign.

For the other countries, the group also noted some visual differences in the residential area symbol and in the shape of the sign, but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained.

E, 17b End of residential area sign

The group noted that the countries which had included the text “zone” within the sign used white and grey colours for the end sign in conformity with the section E of the Annex I of the Convention (cf. II, 8, b).

For the other countries, the group also noted some visual differences in the residential area symbol and in the oblique diagonal bar, but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained.

E, 18a Emergency stopping place sign

The group noted that one country included the text “SOS” in red within the sign but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained (cf. Article 8, paragraph 3).

E, 18b Emergency stopping place sign

The group noted that some countries included the text “SOS” within the sign but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained (cf. Article 8, paragraph).

Note: the group believed it is not a good practice for VC to assign different signs to have the same message or meaning as in signs E, 18a and E, 18b.

A sign-by-sign assessment by Kuwait and France from E, 17a sign to F, 6 sign

Secretariat to remove the sign from Serbia (it’s E, 18a sign, not E, 18b sign).

F Model sign

The group noted that some countries used a thin border, but believed that the essential characteristics of the model sign have been retained.

F, 1a and F, 1b First aid station signs

No comment.

F, 1c First aid station sign

The group noted that none of the contracting parties used the F, 1c symbol as it was only used by the former Iranian regime and recommended to remove it from the Convention

F, 2 Breakdown service sign

The group noted some visual differences in the breakdown service symbol; in particular one country used a different kind of tool, but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained.

F, 3 Telephone sign

The group noted some visual differences in the telephone symbol, but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained.

F, 4 filling station sign

For the other countries, the group noted some visual differences in the filling station symbol, in particular one country added a green filling station symbol within the sign, but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained.

F, 5 Hotel or motel sign

No comment.

F, 6 Restaurant sign

The group noted some visual differences in the restaurant symbol; in particular some countries used not crossed fork and spoon, but believed that the essential characteristics of the symbol have been retained.

F, 7 Refreshments or Cafeteria

No comment

The Russian symbol seems to be wrong (we cannot read the russian description). The symbol of Albania and Ukraine are a bit different from most others, yet the essential characteristics have been retained.

The descriptions of the signs F,6 “Restaurant” and F,7 “Refreshments or Cafeteria” should be clarified. Today there are differences in signing fast food services. Eg. “McDonald’s” is often signed with a F,6 sign while some other countries sign it with a sign F,7.

F, 8 Picnic Site

Belgium and Hungary seem to have filled in the sign F,13?

Albania and Italy use a part of the symbol in the convention while all other countries are using variants of the symbol in convention (But the essential characteristics have been retained?)
Albania and Italy use brown color as ground while all other countries use blue ground.

F, 9 Starting Point for walks

No comment

The Albanian symbol seems to be wrong

F, 10 Camping Site

No comment

In some counties the symbol indicates camping site for both tents and caravans.
In some countries icons for caravan and camper van can be used.

F, 11 Caravan Site

No comment (Some symbol variants are quite difficult to decipher)

Albania use white color as ground while all other countries use blue ground.

In some counties the symbol indicates camping site for both tents and caravans.
In some countries icons for caravan and camper van can be used.

F, 12 Camping and Caravan Site

No comment (Some symbol variants are quite difficult to decipher)

Albania, Italy and Kuwait use brown color as ground while all other countries use blue ground.

In some counties the symbol indicates camping site for both tents and caravans.
In some countries icons for caravan and camper van can be used.

F, 13 Youth Hostel

No comment

Albania, Italy and Kuwait use brown color as ground while all other countries use blue ground. Albania and Italy use green color for the tree symbol while all other countries use black symbols.

F, 14 Radio Stations Giving Traffic Information

No comment

Albania and Italy use green color as ground while all other countries use blue ground

In Finland we no longer use this sign widely on the roads. Nowadays we only use this sign in special situations eg. in connection with tunnels.

F, 15 Public Lavatory

Albania, France and Sweden use different symbols. (The symbols are understandable and symbols used by Albania and France symbols are common inside buildings. Maybe more than one symbol should be allowed?)

Albania use white color as ground while all other countries use blue ground.

F, 16 Beach or Swimming Pool

Albania use white color and Finland use brown color as ground while all other countries use blue ground.

Albania and Latvia are using variants of the symbol in convention (But the essential characteristics have been retained?)

F, 17 Emergency Telephones

Italy and Iran use white ground while Switzerland uses yellow ground.

In Switzerland the panel is designed as a triangle while the other is rectangular

Used as an additional panel in Denmark, Iran, (Italy?) and Poland

Croatia, Denmark, Italy and Iran are using variants of the symbol in the convention (But the essential characteristics have been retained?)

F, 18 Fire Extinguisher

Denmark, Italy and Montenegro do not use red symbol

Used as an additional panel in Denmark, (Italy?) and Poland

Denmark, Italy, Montenegro and Poland are using variants of the symbol in the convention (But the essential characteristics have been retained?)

A sign-by-sign assessment by Kuwait from G, 1a sign to G, 24c sign

G, 1a

The group believes all entries are in conformity with VC.

Also the group thinks that the Secretariat should check with officials in Montenegro and Luxembourg to see if they are using the signs with yellow background as it shows in their entries are for normal road situation or only at construction sites, as the VC permit the yellow background for temporary conditions only.

G, 1b

The group believes all entries are in conformity with VC. Except the same note that was mentioned about the yellow background for (G, 1a) should be checked with Montenegro.

G, 1c

The group believes all entries are in conformity with VC. Except the same note that was mentioned about the yellow background for (G, 1a) should be checked with Montenegro, Luxembourg and Serbia.

G, 2a

Latvia, Montenegro and Serbia used sign (G 13) instead of using sign (G, 2c) in their entries but other than that, the group thinks all entries are in conformity with CV.

G, 2b

Latvia and Sweden used sign (G, 2a) and Montenegro used sign (G 13) instead of sign (G, 2b) in their entries, but other than that, the group thinks all entries are in conformity with CV.

G, 3

The group believes that the Secretariat should check with Uzbekistan if the yellow background sign they used, is for temporary road conditions in this case we should accept it, if not then the group believes that this practice is not in conformity with VC. All other entries are in conformity with VC.

G, 4a

All entries are in conformity with VC, except the group thinks the Secretariat should check with Luxembourg and Montenegro for using yellow background signs in their entries, and also with Ukraine for their entry of (G,1c) sign instead of (G, 4a).

G, 4b

All entries are in conformity with VC, except the group thinks the Secretariat should check with Serbia for using yellow background signs in their entry, and also with Kuwait for their entry of (G,1b) sign instead of (G, 4b).

G, 4c

All entries are in conformity with VC, except the group thinks the Secretariat should check with Ukraine for their entry of (G, 1b) sign instead of (G, 4c).

G, 5

The group believes all the entries are in conformity with VC.

G, 6a

All entries are in conformity with VC except Montenegro uses a different sign to show the direction to airfield. The Russian Federation entry is not clear for the group if they use a symbol of an aircraft in the sign because of the small and not high resolution picture.

G, 6c

No entry for this sign and all countries have entered "not applicable".

G, 7, G, 8, G, 9a, G, 9b, G, 9X and G 10

All entries are in conformity with CV.

G, 11a

The group believe that all entries full into the category of Indication of Number and Direction of lanes, except the sign used by Montenegro as it is more likely a (G, 1) sign more than a (G, 11) sign and also the group is concerned for the use of yellow background as it should only be used for temporary road conditions.

G, 11b

All entries are with conformity with VC, except the entries for Sweden and Lithuania as they are likely used signs for "emerging traffic" than "number and direction signs". Also the group is concerns for the use of yellow background by Montenegro.

G, 11c

The group believes all entries are in conformity with VC except the use of yellow background by Montenegro.

G, 12a

VC specified that the curved line which indicates the closed lane is connected to the straight arrow next to it, but some countries are using a different symbol where the curved line is actually an arrow pointed and not connected to the straight arrow next to it. The group believes both are accepted as both give a clear message of lane closure. Kuwait's entry is not a sign that shows a lane closure, and also the group is concern for the use of yellow background sign by Montenegro.

G, 12b

Uzbekistan used for their entry G, 12a instead of G, 12b. Vietnam is with conformity with VC. The group has some concern about the sign used by Sweden as it shows a lane closure without giving an alternative lane that the drivers can use.

A general note:

The group believes it is not good practice for VC or any standardization to assign different symbols or different signs to have the same message or meaning as it is with signs G, 12a and G, 12b. In this case we recommend assigning sign G, 12b as an advance indication sign that one lane will be closed ahead, and sign G, 12a is an indication sign that the drivers have to emerge with other lane because of lane closure.

G, 13

All entries are with conformity with VC.

G, 14, G, 15, G, 16, G, 17 and G, 18

All entries are with conformity with VC.

G, 19

The group believes all entries are in conformity with VC. Some countries are using black color pattern for the escape line instead of the red color, but we think it should be accepted as the VC do not specify the color in writing.

G, 20

All entries are in conformity with VC.

G, 21

The group believes all entries are in conformity with VC, even we see that Russian federation and Ukraine used (G, 20) instead (G, 21), but we think we should accept it as both gives the same meaning.

G, 22a, G, 22b, G, 22c, G, 23a, G, 23b, G 24a, G, 24b and G, 24c

All entries are in conformity with VC.