# Question concerning the sun load impact (phantom effect) of the signalling lamp Regulation [LSD] of Paragraphs 5.5 and 5.6

## 1 Proposal

Add a new paragraph 5.5.5. to read:

5.5.5. The sun load impact (phantom effect) for stop lamps of the category S1 to S4 shall be measured according annex 8 to this Regulation. In the case of the categories S2 and S4 with variable intensity, only the higher level (state) will be measured. The ratio  $F_{ph}$ , determined in the light emitting surface of the function, shall be not smaller than 3. Depending on the nature of the lamp, in particular, if it's optical construction will not cause a relevant problem regarding the sun load impact (phantom effect), the competent authorities may authorize laboratories to omit this test, subject to the express reservation that such omission must be mentioned under "Remarks" (item 9.4.) in the communication form of Annex 1.

Add a new paragraph 5.6.12. to read:

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5.6.12. The sun load impact (phantom effect) for direction indicator lamps of the category 2a and 2b shall be measured according annex 8 to this Regulation. In the case of the category 2b with variable intensity, only the higher level (state) will be measured. The ratio  $F_{ph}$ , determined in the light emitting surface of the function, shall be not smaller than 3. Depending on the nature of the lamp, in particular, if it's optical construction will not cause a relevant problem regarding the sun load impact (phantom effect), the competent authorities may authorize laboratories to omit this test, subject to the express reservation that such omission must be mentioned under "Remarks" (item 9.4.) in the communication form of Annex 1.

# Communication ..... Add a new paragraph 9.4. to read: 9.4. Remarks ..... Annex 5 Minimum requirements for sampling by an inspector 1. General provisions .....

1.5. In the case where doubt exists in respect to compliance with the test described 1n Paragraph 5.5.5. or 5.6.12. to this Regulation and/or a remark in the communication form (item 9.4. of Annex 1) informs that this test was not carried out, the conformity with the requirements for the sun load impact (phantom effect) shall be checked as specified in said paragraphs.

# ANNEX 8 Measurement of the sun load impact

To evaluate of sun load impact (phantom effect) the measurements of the lamp shall be carried out with its light source as required in paragraph 4.7. to this Regulation.

The light source generating a sun load impact according to Figure 1 below is a projector with a light source of a correlated colour temperature between 4500 K and 6500K.

The light from the projector shall illuminate at least the light emitting surface of the optical unit with the illuminance  $E = 40\,000$  lx and uniformity (inside the area of the light emitting surface) of 10 %.

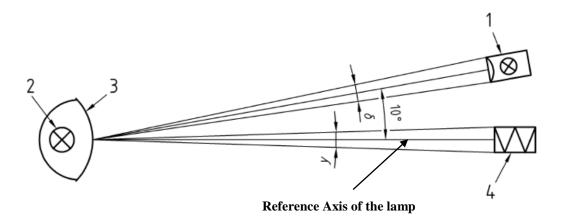
The reference axis of the lamp and the axis of the projector shall form an vertical angle of  $10^{\circ}$ .

The plane formed from both axes shall be the operational vertical plane. The arrangement shall be in a way that the projector radiates the light as if from above the signalling lamp.

If the illuminance  $E_1$  on the light emitting surface of the lamp cannot be realized the illuminance of  $E=40~000~{\rm lx}$  for the sun load impact (phantom effect) , the luminance  $L_{\rm ph}$  can also be calculated for the lower illuminances  $E_1$  from the measured lower luminance  $L_{\rm ph}$ :

$$L_{ph} = L_{phl} \times \frac{40000 lx}{E_t}$$

However, the illuminance  $E_l$  shall be not lower than 10000lx.



Key

- 1 projector
- 2 signalling lamp
- 3 the light emitting surface
- 4 measuring head

Figure 1 Typical arrangement for the measurement of the luminance produced by the sun load impact (phantom effect).

Measurements of sun load impact (phantom effect) depends strongly on the geometry of measurement. The recommended distance for measurements for obtaining comparable results is 10m. A shorter distance is allowed as long the required uniformity of the illumination by the projector as well as all other required parameters as specified in this Annex are met and the use instruction of the measuring head allows it.

The measuring head to determine the luminance shall be placed so that the reference axis of the lamp and the axis of the measuring head coincide.

The measurements shall be carried out in the following sequence:

First determination of the light emitting surface of the function to be measured, with the lamp (function) is switched on lamp and shall to be measured while the projector is switched off.

Second, the mean luminance  $L_s$  shall be determined in the light emitting surface of the function to be measured, with switched on lamp and shall to be measured while the projector is switched off.

Third, the mean luminance  $L_{\rm ph}$  shall be determined in the light emitting surface of the function to be measured, with switched on projector and shall to be measured while the lamp is switched off.

In the last two cases, it shall be noted, that the measuring head or respectively the measuring system to determine the mean luminance catch the complete light emitting area of the lamp to be measured.

The ratio  $F_{ph}$  between the luminance  $L_s$  of the real signal and the luminance  $L_{ph}$  of the sun load impact is given as:

$$F_{Ph} = \frac{L_S}{L_{Ph}}$$

### 2 Justification:

The discussion on this question has started several years before in GRE and GTB has requested the working Group Photometry to find a solution. At the beginning the Working Group SVP was involved to investigate the scientific background and to find a base for a requirement.

This proposal based on a number of investigations by the test house LTIK, partly supported by NTSEL, e.g. as presented in GRE 61, see document ECE-TRANS-WP29-GRE-61-01e and followed by the discussions of these results in the Working Group Photometry. This test should gives an indication about the influence produce by the sun load impact, which can delay the perception of a signal in such a way that it became a serious safety problem. The threshold value for  $F_{ph}$  is set on the base of these investigations with a number of observers and the proposed value is a pragmatic approach to solve this question and to keep the design freedom for industry by prohibiting inappropriate lamp constructions. Further investigations are carried out as reported in GRE 75 (see Informal document GRE-75-16) and now finally evaluated. The only open value was the Factor  $F_{ph}$  for which we propose  $F_{ph}$ =3,  $F_{ph}$ =3,  $F_{ph}$ =5.