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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 48

(Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)

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Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from GTB, in order to allow the reversing lamps and rear fog lamps to be concealable. The proposed modifications are marked by bold and crossed-out text.

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A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 5.14.1., amend to read:

"5.14.1. The concealment of lamps shall be prohibited, with the exception of the main-beam headlamps, the dipped-beam headlamps, the front fog lamps, **the reversing lamps and the rear fog lamps**, which may be concealed when they are not in use."

Paragraph 5.14.5., amend to read:

"5.14.5. When the concealment device has a temperature of -30°C to +50°C the ~~head~~lamps must be capable of reaching the position of use within three seconds of initial operation of the control."

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B. JUSTIFICATION

To keep the rear of a vehicle „clean“ for the necessary signalling functions of stop lights, direction indicator lights and rear position lights, it may be useful to make reversing and rear fog lamps concealable. The reversing lamp and the rear fog lamp will be used only in special cases and do not need to produce a signal immediately after switching them on. A delay for the activation of the signal of 3 seconds maximum after the initial operation of the control is not detrimental to safety
