Proposed amendments to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2007/35

Note: The modifications to ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2007/35 are marked in bold or strikethrough characters.

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 6.19.7., amend to read:

"6.19.7. Electrical connections
   The daytime running lamps shall be switched ON automatically when the device which starts and/or stops the engine is in a position which makes it possible for the engine to operate.
   The daytime running lamps shall …. at short intervals.
   Furthermore, the lamps referred to in paragraph 5.11. are not switched on when the daytime running lamps are switched ON.
   It shall be possible to activate and deactivate the automatic switching ON of daytime running lamps without the use of tools.

6.19.7.1. It shall be possible to activate and deactivate the automatic switching ON of daytime running lamps. The device to fulfil this function shall not be accessible from within the driving compartment. [Tools may be required to operate this device].

Annex 1, insert a new item 10.6., to read:

"10.6. Description of the device used to satisfy paragraph 6.19.7.1. and method to verify its status."

B. JUSTIFICATION

This document permits the deactivation of automatic DRL when the vehicle is used in a country where the use of daytime running lamps is not mandatory. It is not intended that the driver should operate this device on a regular basis and so it should be placed outside the driving compartment. For the same reason it is acceptable to use tools to operate this device.

The proposed amendments are to applicable to document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2006/88 agreed at the 56th GRE session. Therefore in the case where the automatic DRL function is deactivated, there is no requirement to permanently activate the passing beams. In the case that document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2007/20 is adopted, additional text will be required to ensure that passing beams are not permanently switched on when the automatic activation of DRLs is deactivated.

Annex 1 is amended to include a description of the device to inform Contracting Parties how they can verify whether or not the automatic switching of DRLs is active or not.