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Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 05 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)

Submitted by the Working Party on Lighting and Light Signalling*

The text reproduced below was adopted by the Working Party on Lighting and Light Signalling (GRE) at its sixty-eighth session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/68, paras. 6-8, 23-24). It is based on ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2012/26, not amended, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2012/28, as amended by para. 6 of the report, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2012/29, as amended by Annex III to the report and ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2012/43, as amended by Annex V to the report. It is submitted to the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) and to the Administrative Committee AC.1 for consideration.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010-2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106 and ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
Paragraph 6.1.7.3., amend to read:

"6.1.7.3.  It shall always be possible to switch the main-beam headlamps ON and OFF manually and to manually switch OFF the automatic control of the main-beam headlamps.

Moreover, the switching OFF, of the main-beam headlamps and of their automatic control, shall be by means of a simple and immediate manual operation; the use of sub-menus is not allowed."

Paragraph 6.1.9.3.1.1., amend to read:

"6.1.9.3.1.1. The boundaries of the minimum fields in which the sensor is able to detect light emitted from other vehicles defined in paragraph 6.1.7.1. are defined by the angles indicated below."

Paragraph 6.1.9.3.1.2., amend to read:

"6.1.9.3.1.2. The sensor system shall be able to detect on a straight level road:

(a) An oncoming power driven vehicle at a distance extending to at least 400 m;

(b) A preceding power driven vehicle or a vehicle-trailer combination at a distance extending to at least 100 m;

(c) An oncoming bicycle at a distance extending to at least 75 m, its illumination represented by a white lamp with a luminous intensity of 150 cd with a light emitting area of 10 cm² ± 3 cm² and a height above a ground of 0.8 m.

To verify compliance with (a) and (b) above, the oncoming and preceding power driven vehicle (or vehicle-trailer combination) shall have position lamps (if applicable) and dipped-beam headlamps switched ON."

Paragraph 6.2.5., amend to read:

"6.2.5. Geometric visibility

Defined by angles α and ß as specified in paragraph 2.13.:

α = 15° upwards and 10° downwards,
ß = 45° outwards and 10° inwards.

The presence of partitions or other items of equipment near the headlamp shall not give rise to secondary effects causing discomfort to other road users."
Paragraph 6.22.7.1.3., amend to read:

"6.22.7.1.3. It shall always be possible to switch the main-beam headlamps, adaptive or non-adaptive, ON and OFF manually and to manually switch OFF the automatic control.

Moreover, the switching OFF, of the main-beam headlamps and of their automatic control, shall be by means of a simple and immediate manual operation; the use of sub-menus is not allowed."

Paragraph 6.22.9.3.1.1., amend to read:

"6.22.9.3.1.1. The boundaries of the minimum fields in which the sensor is able to detect light emitted from other vehicles as defined in paragraph 6.22.7.1.2. are given by the angles indicated in paragraph 6.1.9.3.1.1. to this Regulation."