Technical report on the development of Amendment 1 to Global Technical Regulation No. 12 (Controls, tell-tales and indicators for two-wheeled vehicles)


The text reproduced below was adopted by the Working Party on General Safety Provisions (GRSG) at its 103rd session, reporting on the development of Amendment 1 to UN Global Technical Regulation No. 12 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/82, para. 30). It is based on Annex V, Part B 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.
1. Global technical regulation (gtr) No. 12 on motorcycle controls, tell-tales and indicators was developed to harmonize the way in which motorcycle controls, tell-tales and indicators were installed and identified.

2. Gtr No. 12 applies to all on-road motorcycles. It specifies requirements for the location, identification, operation, colour, and illumination of motorcycle tell-tales, indicators and controls. It also harmonizes a set of symbols for, if fitted, controls, tell-tales and indicators.

3. The objective of Amendment 1 to gtr No. 12 is to clarify the current text of the gtr to prevent misinterpretations and to introduce editorial corrections. This proposal ensures that the text in Table 1 correctly uses the defined terms.

4. This amendment also aligns the provisions of the gtr with those of Regulation No. 60 annexed to the 1958 Agreement. It introduces in Table 1 a gear shift pattern for the "Hand Selector Manual gear shift Control" that had previously been discussed at the informal group of the Working Party on General Safety Provisions (GRSG), but had been omitted from the current text of the gtr.