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Proposal for Supplement 18 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 53 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices for L3 vehicles)

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) to allow the use of different brake lamp activation methods and to align the brake lamp provision with those applicable for four-wheelers. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2012–2016 (ECE/TRANS/224, para. 94 and ECE/TRANS/2012/12, 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.
I. Proposal

Paragraph 2.5.9., amend to read:

“2.5.9. "Stop lamp" means the lamp used to indicate to other road-users to the rear of the vehicle that its driver is applying the service brake. The stop lamps may be activated by the application of a retarder or a similar device;”

II. Justification

1. This amendment proposes to clarify the definition of “Stop lamp” so that it would allow the use of different brake lamp activation methods for powered two-wheelers as currently applicable for four-wheelers.

2. The proposed new definition is aligned with the definitions in Regulations Nos. 7 and 48.