
AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF UNIFORM TECHNICAL PRESCRIPTIONS FOR WHEELED VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT AND PARTS WHICH CAN BE FITTED AND/OR BE USED ON WHEELED VEHICLES AND THE CONDITIONS FOR RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION OF APPROVALS GRANTED ON THE BASIS OF THESE PRESCRIPTIONS.

GENEVA, 20 MARCH 1958

REGULATION NO. 20. UNIFORM PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF MOTOR VEHICLE HEADLAMPS EMITTING AN ASYMMETRICAL PASSING BEAM OR A DRIVING BEAM OR BOTH AND EQUIPPED WITH HALOGEN FILAMENT LAMPS (H4 LAMPS)

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION

On 27 February 2001, the Secretary-General received from the Administrative Committee of the above Agreement, pursuant to article 12 (1) of the Agreement, amendments proposed to the above Regulation.

A copy, in the English and French languages, of the document containing the text of the proposed amendments is transmitted herewith (doc. TRANS/WP.29/765).

The Secretary-General wishes to draw attention to article 12 (2) and (3) of the Agreement which read as follows:

"2. An amendment to a Regulation will be considered to be adopted unless, within a period of six months from its notification by the Secretary-General, more than one-third of the Contracting Parties applying the Regulation at the time of notification have informed the Secretary-General of their disagreement with the amendment. If, after this period, the Secretary-General has not received declarations of disagreement of more than one-third of the Contracting Parties applying the Regulation, the Secretary-General shall as soon as possible declare the amendment as adopted and binding upon those Contracting Parties applying the Regulation who did not declare themselves opposed to it. When a Regulation is amended and at least one-fifth of the Contracting Parties applying the unamended Regulation subsequently declare that they wish to continue to apply the unamended Regulation, the unamended Regulation will be regarded as an alternative to the amended Regulation and will be incorporated formally as such into the Regulation with effect from the date of adoption of the amendment or its entry into force. In this case the obligations of the Contracting Parties applying the Regulation shall be the same as set out in paragraph 1.

Attention: Treaty Services of Ministries of Foreign Affairs and of international organizations concerned.
3. Should a new Contracting Party accede to this Agreement between the time of the notification of the amendment to a Regulation by the Secretary-General and its entry into force, the Regulation in question shall not enter into force for that Contracting Party until two months after it has formally accepted the amendment or two months after the lapse of a period of six months since the communication to that Party by the Secretary-General of the proposed amendment.

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DRAFT 03 SERIES OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 20
(Headlamps (H4))

Note: The text reproduced below was adopted by the Administrative Committee (AC.1) of the amended 1958 Agreement at its sixteenth session, following the recommendation by WP.29 at its one-hundred-and-twenty-second session. It is based on document TRANS/WP.29/1998/45, as amended (TRANS/WP.29/743, para. 169).
Insert new paragraphs 16. to 16.7., to read:

"16. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

16.1. As from six months after the official date of entry into force of Regulation No. [112] *, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall cease to grant ECE approvals according to this Regulation.

16.2. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approval to this and any previous series of amendments of this Regulation.

16.3. Approvals granted under this Regulation before the date of entry into force of Regulation No. [112] * and all extensions of approvals, including those to a preceding series of amendments to this Regulation granted subsequently, shall remain valid indefinitely.

16.4. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to issue approvals for headlamps on the basis of this and any previous series of amendments to this Regulation, provided that the headlamps are intended as replacements for fitting to vehicles in use.

16.5. As from the official date of entry into force of Regulation No. [112] *, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall prohibit the fitting on a new vehicle type of a headlamp approved under Regulation No. [112] *.

16.6. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to allow fitting on a vehicle type or vehicle of a headlamp approved to this Regulation.

16.7. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to allow fitting or use on a vehicle in use of a headlamp approved to this Regulation as amended by any previous series of amendments, provided that the headlamp is intended for replacement."

* The number of the Regulation (proposed in document TRANS/WP.29/773) shall be confirmed after its entry into force.