

16. 104) United Nations Regulation No. 104. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of retro-reflective markings for vehicles of category M, N and O

15 January 1998

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 15 January 1998, in accordance with article 1(4).

REGISTRATION: 15 January 1998, No. 4789.

STATUS: Parties: See XI-B-16.¹

TEXT: United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2000, p. 488 and doc. TRANS/WP.29/564; and C.N.638.1999.TREATIES-2 of 13 July 1999 and doc. TRANS/WP.29/674 (supplement 1); C.N.621.2002.TREATIES-1 of 10 June 2002 and doc. TRANS/WP.29/856 (supplement 2 to the original) and C.N.1162.2002.TREATIES-2 of 12 December 2002 (adoption); C.N.625.2006.TREATIES-1 of 2 August 2006 and doc. TRANS/WP.29/66+Amend.1 (supplement 3 to the original) and C.N.172.2007.TREATIES-1 of 7 February 2007 (adoption); C.N.1210.2006.TREATIES-2 of 18 December 2006 and doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2006/95 + Corr.1 (F only) (supplement 4 to the original) and C.N.719.2007.TREATIES-1 of 10 July 2007 (adoption); C.N.1169.2007.TREATIES-1 of 18 January 2008 and doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2007/75 (modifications); C.N.1228.2007.TREATIES-2 of 11 January 2008 and doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2007/76 (supplement 5 to the original) and C.N.501.2008.TREATIES-2 of 14 July 2008 (adoption); C.N.255.2008.TREATIES-2 of 9 April 2008 and doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/33 (modifications); C.N.227.2009.TREATIES-1 of 24 April 2009 and doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2009/31 (Supplement 6 to the original) and C.N.773.2009.TREATIES-2 of 27 October 2009 (adoption); C.N.291.2010.TREATIES-1 of 16 June 2010 and doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2010/31 (modifications); C.N.857.2011.TREATIES-1 of 26 January 2012 (proposal of amendments) and C.N.413.2012.TREATIES-XI.B.16.104 of 3 August 2012 (adoption of amendments); C.N.777.2014.TREATIES-IX.B.16.104 of 15 December 2014 (proposal of amendments) and C.N.350.2015.TREATIES-IX.B.16.104 of 19 June 2015 (adoption); C.N.200.2017.TREATIES-XI.B.16.104 of 10 April 2017 (proposal of amendments) and C.N.668.2017.TREATIES-XI.B.16.104 of 20 October 2017 (adoption); C.N.554.2019.TREATIES-XI.B.16.104 of 31 October 2019 (Amendments).²

Contracting Parties applying Regulation No. 104³

<i>Participant¹</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>	<i>Participant¹</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Armenia	1 Mar 2018	Hungary	15 Jan 1998
Austria	15 Jan 1998	Italy	15 Jan 1998
Azerbaijan.....	15 Apr 2002	Japan	2 Aug 2004
Belarus	15 Jan 1998	Latvia	19 Nov 1998
Belgium	15 Jan 1998	Lithuania.....	28 Jan 2002
Bosnia and Herzegovina.....	15 Jan 1998	Luxembourg.....	15 Jan 1998
Croatia	15 Jan 1998	Malaysia.....	3 Feb 2006
Czech Republic.....	15 Jan 1998	Montenegro ⁵	23 Oct 2006 d
Denmark	15 Jan 1998	Netherlands (Kingdom of the).....	15 Jan 1998
Egypt.....	5 Dec 2012	Nigeria	18 Oct 2018
Estonia	15 Jan 1998	North Macedonia	15 Jan 1998
European Union ⁴	29 Aug 2001	Norway	15 Jan 1998
Finland.....	15 Jan 1998	Pakistan.....	24 Feb 2020
France	15 Jan 1998	Philippines	3 Nov 2022
Germany	15 Jan 1998	Poland	15 Jan 1998
Greece.....	15 Jan 1998	Portugal.....	15 Jan 1998

<i>Participant¹</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Republic of Moldova.....	21 Sep 2016
Romania.....	15 Jan 1998
Russian Federation	15 Jan 1998
San Marino	27 Nov 2015
Serbia.....	15 Jan 1998
Slovakia	15 Jan 1998
Slovenia	15 Jan 1998
South Africa.....	18 Apr 2001

<i>Participant¹</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Spain.....	15 Jan 1998
Sweden.....	15 Jan 1998
Switzerland.....	15 Jan 1998
Türkiye.....	15 Jan 1998
Uganda.....	23 Aug 2022
Ukraine	9 Aug 2002
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	15 Jan 1998

Notes:

¹ The Regulation enters into force for all Contracting Parties to the Agreement which did not notify their disagreement thereto, in accordance with 1 (4). The date listed under "**Application of regulation**" reflects the date of the entry into force of the Regulation for those States parties to the Agreement, at the time of the entry into force of the Regulation, which did not notify their disagreement thereto, in accordance with article 1(4) of the Agreement.

States parties to the Agreement not applying the Regulation may, at any time, notify the Secretary-General that they intend to apply it, and the Regulation will then enter into force for such States on the sixtieth day after such notification, in accordance with article 1(7) of the Agreement. For these States, the date listed under "**Application of regulation**" is the date of deposit of the notification.

States that become parties to the Agreement subsequent to the entry into force of the Regulation, which do not notify their disagreement thereto, apply the Regulation as from the date of entry into force of the Agreement for such States. In these cases, the date listed under "**Application of regulation**" reflects the date of deposit of the instrument of accession to the Agreement.

Following is the list of Contracting Parties that notified their objection to draft Regulation No. 104, pursuant to article 1 (4); or declared the non-application of Regulation No. 104, pursuant to article 1(5):

<i>Participant:</i>	<i>Date of the notification:</i>
European Community*	23 Jan 1998
Japan**	25 Sep 1998
Bulgaria***	22 Nov 1999
Australia****	25 Feb 2000
Ukraine*****	1 May 2000
New Zealand*****	27 Nov 2001
Thailand	2 Mar 2006

*The European Community implicitly notified its non-application of Regulation 104 upon accession by virtue of its declaration restricting its application to those Regulations in force at the date of accession, i.e. 23 January 1999. Regulation 104 was not in force at that time, but had been circulated as a draft Regulation, pursuant to article 1 (5) of the Agreement. In a

communication dated 16 April 1999, the European Community subsequently confirmed its intention to reserve its position with regard to the entry into force of the Regulation for the European Community. See declaration made by the European Community upon accession to the Agreement in chapter XI.B.16.

**See declaration made by Japan upon accession to the Agreement in chapter XI.B.16.

***In a note accompanying the instrument of accession, the Government of Bulgaria notified its intention to apply certain Regulations annexed to the Agreement. By notifying the application of certain Regulations, the Government of Bulgaria implicitly notified the non-application of those Regulations not specified, in accordance with article 1(5) of the Agreement. See declaration made by Bulgaria upon accession to the Agreement in XI.B.16.

****See declaration made by Australia upon accession to the Agreement in chapter XI.B.16.

*****See declaration made by Ukraine upon accession to the Agreement in chapter XI.B.16.

*****In a communication received on 18 January 2002, the Government of New Zealand, in connection with its accession to the Agreement, clarified its intention to apply certain Regulations annexed to the Agreement. By notifying the application of certain Regulations, the Government of New Zealand implicitly notified the non-application of those Regulations not specified, in accordance with article 1(5) of the Agreement. See declaration made by New Zealand upon accession to the Agreement in chapter XI.B.16.

² For additional references to the texts of the annexed regulations and their amendments, see doc. [TRANS/WP.29/343](https://www.unece.org/transport/transport-conventions/TRANS/WP.29/343) as updated annually.

³ Proposed by the Administrative Committee.

⁴ See declaration made by the European Community upon accession to the Agreement in chapter XI.B.16.

⁵ See note 1 under "Montenegro" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

