

16. 39) United Nations Regulation No. 39. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to the speedometer and odometer equipment including its installation

20 November 1978

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Contracting Parties applying Regulation No. 39²

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Armenia	1 Mar 2018	Luxembourg.....	2 Mar 1984
Australia.....	1 Jun 2010	Malaysia.....	3 Feb 2006
Belarus.....	3 May 1995	Montenegro ⁸	23 Oct 2006 d
Belgium	30 Apr 1979	Netherlands (Kingdom of the).....	22 Apr 1985
Bosnia and Herzegovina ³	28 Sep 1998 d	Nigeria	18 Oct 2018
Bulgaria	22 Nov 1999	North Macedonia ³	1 Apr 1998 d
Croatia ³	17 Mar 1994 d	Norway	23 Dec 1987
Czech Republic ⁴	2 Jun 1993 d	Pakistan.....	24 Feb 2020
Denmark	19 Sep 1979	Philippines	3 Nov 2022
Egypt.....	5 Dec 2012	Poland	2 Oct 2001
Estonia	26 May 1999	Republic of Moldova	21 Sep 2016
European Union ⁵	23 Jan 1998	Romania.....	2 Jul 1979
Finland.....	11 Feb 1991	Russian Federation	19 Dec 1986
France ⁶	20 Nov 1978	San Marino	27 Nov 2015
Germany ⁷	14 Apr 1983	Serbia ³	12 Mar 2001 d
Greece.....	4 Oct 1995	Slovakia ⁴	28 May 1993 d
Hungary	24 Sep 1979	Slovenia ³	3 Nov 1992 d
Italy.....	27 Mar 1979	Sweden.....	21 Nov 1978
Japan.....	1 May 2001	Türkiye.....	16 Jan 2001
Latvia.....	19 Nov 1998	Uganda.....	20 Mar 2023
Lithuania.....	28 Jan 2002	Ukraine	9 Aug 2002

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Succession(d)*

Participant

United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Northern Ireland.....20 Nov 1978

Notes:

¹ For additional references to the texts of the annexed regulations and their amendments, see doc. [TRANS/WP.29/343](#) as updated annually.

² For technical reasons and in order to align this chapter with all others in the publication, the date indicated is no longer the date of effect of the regulation for the Contracting Party, but the date of receipt of the notification of application by the Secretary-General.

³ The former Yugoslavia applied Regulation No. 39 as from 6 November 1984. See also note 1 under "Bosnia and Herzegovina", "Croatia", "former Yugoslavia", "Slovenia", "The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" and "Yugoslavia" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁴ Czechoslovakia applied Regulation No. 39 as from 29 December 1981. See also note 1 under "Czech Republic" and note 1 under "Slovakia" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁵ In a letter dated 29 July 1998, the European Community informed the Secretary-General of the following:

"The accession of the EC has the effect that the [...] regulations adhered to are not (in cases where a Member State already applied a regulation: no longer) applied by Member States by virtue of their status as Contracting Parties to the Agreement but exclusively in their capacity as Member States of the Contracting Party European Community. Thus, the 14 Member States already Contracting Parties themselves, now apply all [these] regulations by virtue of the EC's accession."

... By the EC accession, Ireland has not become a Contracting Party. Only the EC has become a Contracting Party. Ireland being a Member State of this Contracting Party applies the [...] regulations [adhered to by the EC] by virtue of the EC's accession.

It will be recalled that, as at 29 July 1999, States Members of the EC are: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

⁶ Contracting State having proposed the Regulation and date of entry into force of the Regulation for that State in accordance with article 1 (3).

⁷ The German Democratic Republic applied Regulation No. 39 as from 18 May 1980.

With regard to the above, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany in a communication received on 14 January 1991, informed the Secretary-General of the following:

- [Regulation No. 39 which had] been applied by both the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic shall continue to apply...

The notification further states that it "... does not constitute a general statement of position by the Federal Republic of Germany on the question of state succession in relation to treaties."

See also note 2 under "Germany" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁸ See note 1 under "Montenegro" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

