

**16. 46) United Nations Regulation No. 46. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of devices for indirect vision and of motor vehicles with regard to the installation of these devices**

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**Contracting Parties applying Regulation No. 46<sup>3</sup>**

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Andorra.....	23 Sep 2025	New Zealand <sup>8</sup> .....	18 Jan 2002
Armenia .....	1 Mar 2018	Nigeria .....	18 Oct 2018
Australia.....	25 Apr 2016	North Macedonia.....	20 Jun 2002
Austria .....	24 May 1990	Norway .....	25 Mar 1993
Belarus .....	3 May 1995	Pakistan.....	24 Feb 2020
Belgium .....	17 Aug 1982	Philippines .....	3 Nov 2022
Croatia .....	2 Feb 2001	Poland .....	4 Apr 1990
Czech Republic <sup>4</sup> .....	2 Jun 1993 d	Republic of Moldova.....	21 Sep 2016
Egypt.....	5 Dec 2012	Romania.....	5 Dec 1983
Estonia .....	26 May 1999	Russian Federation <sup>9</sup> .....	6 Jan 1988
European Union <sup>5</sup> .....	23 Jan 1998	San Marino .....	27 Nov 2015
Finland.....	11 Jun 1982	Serbia .....	19 Mar 2008
France <sup>6</sup> .....	1 Sep 1981	Slovakia <sup>4</sup> .....	28 May 1993 d
Germany <sup>7</sup> .....	19 Feb 1986	Slovenia .....	2 Aug 1994
Greece.....	4 Oct 1995	South Africa.....	18 Apr 2001
Hungary .....	26 Jan 1984	Spain .....	23 Jan 1989
Italy.....	1 Sep 1981	Sweden.....	26 Jul 1982
Japan .....	16 Aug 2016	Türkiye.....	8 May 2000
Latvia.....	19 Nov 1998	Uganda.....	20 Mar 2023
Lithuania.....	28 Jan 2002	Ukraine .....	9 Aug 2002
Luxembourg.....	2 Aug 1983	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	26 Feb 1990
Malaysia.....	3 Feb 2006	Uzbekistan .....	20 Oct 2025
Netherlands (Kingdom of the).....	5 Oct 1987		

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> At the time of publication, supplement 2 to the amendments series 01 to Regulation No. 46 was still under consideration.

<sup>2</sup> For additional references to the texts of the annexed regulations and their amendments, see doc. [TRANS/WP.29/343](#) as updated annually.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Czechoslovakia applied Regulation No. 46 as from 18 September 1982. See also note 1 under “Czech Republic” and note 1 under “Slovakia” in the “Historical Information” section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

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

<sup>7</sup> The German Democratic Republic applied Regulation No. 46 as from 3 April 1988.

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. 46 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.

<sup>8</sup> See note 1 under "New Zealand" regarding Tokelau in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>9</sup> Date of entry into force of Regulation No. 46 as indicated by the contracting State in its notification of application:

<i>Participant:</i>	<i>Date entry into force:</i>
Russian Federation	1 Jan 1988