

16. 55) United Nations Regulation No. 55. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of mechanical coupling components of combinations of vehicles

1 March 1983

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Contracting Parties applying Regulation No. 55³

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Armenia	1 Mar 2018	Latvia	5 Jul 2002
Belarus	3 May 1995	Lithuania	28 Jan 2002
Belgium	6 May 1983	Luxembourg.....	27 Sep 1996
Bosnia and Herzegovina ⁴	28 Sep 1998 d	Malaysia.....	3 Feb 2006
Bulgaria	22 Nov 1999	Montenegro ⁷	23 Oct 2006 d
Croatia ⁴	17 Mar 1994 d	Netherlands (Kingdom of the) ⁶	1 Mar 1983
Czech Republic ⁵	2 Jun 1993 d	Nigeria	18 Oct 2018
Egypt.....	5 Dec 2012	North Macedonia ⁴	1 Apr 1998 d
Estonia	26 May 1999	Pakistan.....	24 Feb 2020
European Union.....	21 Dec 2006	Philippines	3 Nov 2022
Finland.....	11 Feb 1991	Poland	7 Apr 1992
Greece.....	21 Aug 1996	Republic of Moldova	21 Sep 2016
Hungary	15 Sep 1988	Romania.....	5 Dec 1983
Italy ⁶	1 Mar 1983	Russian Federation ⁸	6 Jan 1988

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San Marino	27 Nov 2015	Türkiye.....	8 May 2000
Serbia ⁴	12 Mar 2001 d	Uganda.....	23 Aug 2022
Slovakia ⁵	28 May 1993 d	Ukraine	9 Aug 2002
Slovenia ⁴	3 Nov 1992 d	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	26 Feb 1990
Switzerland	4 Dec 1995		

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 The amendments were adopted and are binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation No. 55 as from 16 September 2001, except for Yugoslavia. Pursuant to article 12 (3) of the Agreement, the amendments will enter into force for Yugoslavia two months after the period of six months following the date of the notification by the Secretary-General of the proposed amendment, i.e. 16 November 2001.

³ 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.

⁴ The former Yugoslavia applied Regulation No. 55 as from 29 November 1989. 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.

⁵ Czechoslovakia applied Regulation No. 55 as from 3 November 1985. See also note 1 under “Czech Republic” and note 1 under “Slovakia” in the “Historical Information” section in the front matter of this volume.

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

⁸ Date of entry into force of Regulation No. 55 as indicated by the contracting State in its notification of application:

Participant:	Date entry into force:
Russian Federation	1 Jan 1988

