

**16. 73) United Nations Regulation No. 73. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Vehicles with regard to their lateral protection devices (LPD); II. Lateral protection devices (LPD); III. Vehicles with regard to the installation of LPD of an approved type according to Part II of this Regulation**

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***Contracting Parties applying Regulation No. 73<sup>2</sup>***

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Application of regulation, Succession(d)</i>
Armenia .....	1 Mar 2018	Netherlands (Kingdom of the) <sup>7</sup> .....	1 Jan 1988
Belarus .....	3 May 1995	Nigeria .....	18 Oct 2018
Belgium .....	8 Jun 1990	North Macedonia .....	20 Jun 2002
Bulgaria .....	22 Nov 1999	Norway .....	25 Mar 1993
Croatia .....	2 Feb 2001	Pakistan.....	24 Feb 2020
Czech Republic <sup>3</sup> .....	2 Jun 1993 d	Philippines .....	3 Nov 2022
Egypt.....	5 Dec 2012	Poland .....	23 May 2000
Estonia .....	26 May 1999	Republic of Moldova.....	21 Sep 2016
European Union <sup>4</sup> .....	23 Jan 1998	Romania.....	26 Jul 1994
Finland.....	11 Feb 1991	Russian Federation .....	8 Feb 1996
France .....	24 May 1988	San Marino .....	27 Nov 2015
Germany <sup>5</sup> .....	22 Dec 1989	Serbia <sup>7</sup> .....	18 May 1993 d
Greece.....	4 Oct 1995	Slovakia <sup>3</sup> .....	28 May 1993 d
Hungary .....	20 Jan 1993	Slovenia .....	16 May 1996
Italy.....	4 May 1989	Sweden.....	3 Jun 1997
Latvia.....	19 Nov 1998	Switzerland .....	4 Dec 1995
Lithuania.....	28 Jan 2002	Türkiye.....	16 Jan 2001
Luxembourg.....	22 Nov 1993	Uganda.....	23 Aug 2022
Malaysia.....	3 Feb 2006	Ukraine .....	9 Aug 2002
Montenegro <sup>6</sup> .....	23 Oct 2006 d	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland <sup>7</sup> .....	1 Jan 1988

**Notes:**

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

<sup>2</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>3</sup> Czechoslovakia applied Regulation No. 73 as from 9 June 1991. 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>4</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>5</sup> See note 2 under “Germany” in the “Historical Information” section in the front matter of this volume.

<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 Government of Yugoslavia, upon depositing its notification of succession to the Agreement on 12 March 2001 (See, [C.N.291.2001.TREATIES-1 \(Depositary Notification\)](#)), confirmed its application of Regulation No. 73 (See, [C.N.219.1993.TREATIES-12 \(Depositary Notification\)](#)). 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.

