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# REVISION OF THE CONSOLIDATED RESOLUTION ON ROAD TRAFFIC (R.E.1)

#### Note by the secretariat

At its meeting on 9 January 2004, the informal small group composed of France (Chairman), Switzerland, the International Road Safety Organization (PRI) and the secretariat prepared the draft of a new structure for R.E.1, reproduced below, taking into account the structure proposed at the time by France (see document TRANS/SC.1/WP.1/1998/2), the recommendations adopted since the last version of R.E.1, TRANS/SC.1/294/Rev.5 of 6 January 1998, and future developments to be incorporated in the Resolution on the basis of ongoing work being carried out by the various informal groups constituted at the forty-third session of WP.1.

The structure proposed thus complies with the following objectives:

- (a) Grouping of recommendations relating to the same issue, checking their agreement and possibly removing duplication and repetition;
  - (b) Identification of gaps, particularly points not covered that merit coverage;

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(c) Making it possible to add certain recommendations in the future without disturbing the structure of the document.

Since the texts of recommendations were drafted at various times by different people, harmonization of the wording is now necessary in order to arrive at a consistent and homogeneous text.

The update by WP.1 should not only enable obsolete proposals to be eliminated, while bearing in mind the need to respond to very different situations from one country to another, but also permit new concerns to be introduced.

#### PROPOSED NEW STRUCTURE FOR CONSOLIDATED RESOLUTION R.E.1

(Reference is made in brackets to existing provisions of R.E.1 or relevant texts)

#### Chapter 1. General road traffic rules

- 1.1 Direction of traffic (1.1)
- 1.2 Level crossings (1.2)
- 1.3 Overtaking
  - 1.3.1 at intersections (1.3)
  - 1.3.2 *(result of the work of the small group chaired by Russia)*
- 1.4 Re-entry of vehicles of regular public transport services into the traffic stream when moving off from stops marked as such (1.4)
- 1.5 Use of safety devices when a vehicle is immobilized on the carriageway (3.9 and 2nd part of 1.8)

#### Chapter 2. General rules of behaviour

- 2.1 Speed (to be developed)
- 2.2 Alcohol, drugs and medicinal products (result of the work of the small group chaired by Italy)
- 2.3 Seat belts
  - 2.3.1 *(result of the work of the small group chaired by the USA)*
  - 2.3.2 Exemptions (3.7)
- 2.4 Mobile phones (to be developed; basis: TRANS/WP.1/2001/31)
- 2.5 Tunnels (*report TRANS/WP.1/2002/28*)

# Chapter 3. General rules concerning vehicles and their equipment

- 3.1 Technical inspection of vehicles (2.6 and *TRANS/WP.1/2001/25 and Corr.1*)
- 3.2 Loading and stowage methods (2.8 and annex 3)

- 3.3 Registration
  - 3.3.1 Provisional registration (2.4)
  - 3.3.2 Registration certificates for hired vehicles (2.5)
- 3.4 First aid kits (2.7)

#### Chapter 4. Pedestrians and persons with impaired mobility

- 4.1 Content of annex 1 of the report TRANS/WP.1/76 (4 May 2001)
- 4.2 Facilitation of the movement of handicapped persons (4.6 (a), (b), (e), (f), (h) and (i) and annex 9)
- 4.3 Facilitation of the movement of elderly persons (4.7 (d), (e) and (f))
- 4.4 Skateboards, roller skates ... (to be developed?)

## Chapter 5. Vehicles and conditions for their use

- 5.1 Bicycles
  - 5.1.1 Technical conditions
    - 5.1.1.1 Visibility of bicycles (2.1)
    - 5.1.1.2 Marking of trailers (2.3)
  - 5.1.2 Special traffic rules
    - 5.1.2.1 Wearing of protective helmets (3.4)

#### 5.2 Mopeds

- 5.2.1 Technical conditions
  - 5.2.1.1 Visibility at night (3.5 (1))
  - 5.2.1.2 Performance (3.5 (1))
  - 5.2.1.3 Trailers (3.5 (1))
- 5.2.2 Special traffic rules
  - 5.2.2.1 Use of mopeds (3.5 (3))
  - 5.2.2.2 Safety of moped users (3.5 (2))

#### 5.3 Motor cycles

- 5.3.1 Technical conditions
  - 5.3.1.1 Visibility (3.6 (1))
  - 5.3.1.2 Vision (3.6 (2))
  - 5.3.1.3 Protective devices (3.6 (4))
- 5.3.2 Special traffic rules
  - 5.3.2.1 Aptitudes required for drivers (3.6 (3))
  - 5.3.2.2 Safety of motor cyclists (3.6 (5) 2nd and 3rd paragraphs, and result of the work of the small group chaired by the USA)

#### 5.4 Light motor vehicles

- 5.4.1 Technical conditions
  - 5.4.1.1 Advance warning triangle (technical standards) (1st part of 1.8)
- 5.4.2 Special traffic rules?

#### 5.5 Heavy vehicles and vehicles carrying dangerous goods

- 5.5.1 Technical conditions
  - 5.5.1.1 Marking of long vehicles (2.9)
  - 5.5.1.2 Advance warning triangle (see 5.4.1.2)
- 5.5.2 Special traffic rules
  - 5.5.2.1 Vehicles carrying dangerous goods in tunnels ("Tunnels" report TRANS/AC.7/9)

#### 5.6 Public transport vehicles

- 5.6.1 Technical conditions
  - 5.6.1.1 Marking of school buses (2.2 and annex 1)
  - 5.6.1.2 Advance warning triangle (see 5.4.1.2)
- 5.6.2 Special traffic rules
  - 5.6.2.1 Requirements for drivers of vehicles of category D (3.8)

#### 5.7 Other vehicles

- 5.7.1 Technical conditions
  - 5.7.1.1 Marking of slow vehicles (2.10)
  - 5.7.1.2 Advance warning triangle (see 5.4.1.2)

#### Chapter 6. Influencing behaviour

#### 6.1 Education/training

- 6.1.1 Driving permit (to be developed. Result of the work of the small group chaired by Russia)
- 6.1.2 Professional driving instruction (3.1 and annexes 4, 5, 6 and 7)
- 6.1.3 First aid training (3.2)
- 6.1.4 Instruction of children (3.3)

## 6.2 Awareness-raising/communication

- 6.2.1 Road safety campaigns
  - 6.2.1.1 General recommendations (to be developed)
  - 6.2.1.2 Special case of tunnels ("Tunnels" report TRANS/AC.7/9 and report TRANS/WP.1/2002/28)
- 6.2.2 Speed
  - 6.2.2.1 General recommendations (to be developed)
  - 6.2.2.2 Information for drivers in international traffic on national legislation concerning speed limits by vehicle and road category (1.6)
- 6.2.3 Information for road users (1.7)
- 6.2.4 Campaigns for users of 2-wheeled motor vehicles (3.6 (5))
- 6.2.5 Symbols warning drivers of vehicles of the effects of certain medicinal products (3.10)
- **6.3** Control and sanctions (result of the work of the small group chaired by Switzerland)

#### **Chapter 7.** Infrastructure development

- 7.1 Cycle tracks (text?)
- 7.2 Developments to ensure the safety of children in road traffic
  - 7.2.1 Design of schools and their environment (4.4 (m) to (s))
  - 7.2.2 School bus stops (4.5 (a))
- 7.3 Measures intended to facilitate the movement of persons with impaired mobility (4.6 (c) and (d))
- 7.4 Measures intended to facilitate the movement of elderly persons (4.7 (a), (b) and (c))
- 7.5 Safety measures to be taken when a counter-flow bus lane is used (1.5)
- 7.6 Protection against wild animals (4.1)
- 7.7 Clearance of civil engineering works above the carriageway (4.3)
- 7.8 Tunnels ("Tunnels" report and report TRANS/WP.1/2002/28)

# Chapter 8. Safety of children in road traffic

- 8.1 On the way to and from school (4.4 (a) to (l) and (t) to (w))
- 8.2 Transport on school buses (4.5 (b) and (c))

#### **Chapter 9.** Assistance to victims (Annex 2 of the report TRANS/WP.1/76 (4 May 2001))

#### Chapter 10. Miscellaneous

- 10.1 Safety of persons working on the road (4.2)
- 10.2 Criteria for the application of local restrictions on road traffic
  - 10.2.1 General recommendations (1.9.1)
  - 10.2.2 Speed restrictions (1.9.2)
  - 10.2.3 Restrictions on overtaking (1.9.3)
  - 10.2.4 Prohibition of standing and parking (1.9.4)

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