

SYNTHESIS OF REPLIES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE ON SEATBELTS (*LEGISLATION ON SEATBELT USE*)

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| ECE Countries | Do you have legislation making seatbelt use mandatory when the vehicle is equipped with seatbelts? (8 b) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Albania | Yes | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | Yes | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Azerbaijan | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes for all buses | Yes for tourist coaches, school buses, minibuses | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes for tourist coaches, school buses, minibuses | -- | -- |
| Bulgaria | Yes 1994 | -- | -- | Yes 1994 | -- | -- | Yes 1994 | Yes 1994 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 2002 | -- | -- | Yes 2002 | -- | -- | Yes 2002 | -- | -- |
| Canada | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | Yes except urban and non-urban buses 1976 | No | -- | No | -- | No | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Croatia | Yes 1996 | -- | -- | Yes 1996 | -- | -- | Yes 1996 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1996 | -- | -- | Yes 1996 | -- | -- | Yes 1996 | -- | -- |

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| Germany | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | Yes 1992 | -- | -- | Yes except urban buses (no school buses) | Yes except urban buses (no school buses) | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1984 | -- | -- | Yes 1992 | -- | -- | Yes except urban buses (no school buses) | -- | -- |
| Hungary | Yes 2001 | -- | -- | Yes 2001 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 2001 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Ireland | Yes 1979 | -- | -- | Yes 1993 | -- | -- | Yes for minibuses only 1993 | Yes for minibuses only 1993 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1993 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Israel | Yes 1969 | -- | -- | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | Yes for tourist coaches only, 2003 | Yes for tourist coaches only, 2003 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1987 | -- | -- | Yes for ≤ 3,5t only 1987 | -- | -- | Yes for tourist coaches only, 2003 | -- | -- |
| Kazakhstan | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | Yes | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- |
| Kyrgyzstan | Yes | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Latvia | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1987 | Yes 1987 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1987 | -- | -- |

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| Luxembourg | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes for ≤ 3,5t only 1975 | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No | Yes 1990 | -- | -- | Yes for ≤ 3,5t Only 1990 | -- | -- | No | No | No |
| Malta | Yes 1996 | -- | -- | Yes for ≤ 3,5t only 1996 | -- | -- | Yes for mini-buses only 1995 | Yes for minibuses only 1995 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 2003 | -- | -- | No | No | No | Yes for mini-buses only 1995 | -- | -- |
| Netherlands | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes except urban and non urban buses (no school buses) | Yes except urban and non urban buses (no school buses) | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1992 | -- | -- | Yes 1992 | -- | -- | Yes except urban and non urban buses (no school buses) | -- | -- |
| Norway | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 (no school buses) | Yes 1975 (no school buses) | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 | -- | -- | Yes 1975 (no school buses) | -- | -- |
| Portugal | Yes 1992 | -- | Yes 1978 | Yes for ≤ 3,5t 1992 > 3,5t 1994 | -- | -- | Yes Except urban buses 1994 | Yes Except urban buses 1994 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1994 | -- | -- | Yes for > 3,5t 1994 | -- | -- | Yes Except urban buses 1994 | -- | -- |

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| Russian Federation | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | Yes | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- |
| Serbia & Montenegro | Yes 1985 | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | Yes 1985 | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Slovak Republic | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | Yes | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes 1/ | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- |
| Slovenia | Yes 1998 | -- | -- | Yes 1998 | -- | -- | Yes 1998 | Yes 1998 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1998 | -- | -- | Yes 1998 | -- | -- | Yes 1998 | -- | -- |
| Spain | Yes 1985 | -- | -- | Yes for ≤ 3,5t only 1985 | -- | -- | Yes for mini-buses and school buses 2001 | Yes for mini-buses and school buses 2001 | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1992 | -- | -- | Yes for ≤ 3,5t only 1992 | -- | -- | Yes for mini-buses and school buses 2001 only | -- | -- |
| Switzerland | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | Yes 1976 | -- | -- | Yes 1976 except urban and non-urban buses (coaches in 2006) | Yes 1976 except urban and non-urban buses (coaches in 2006) | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes 1994 | -- | -- | Yes 1994 | -- | -- | Yes 1994 except urban and non-urban buses (coaches in 2006) | -- | -- |

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| TOTAL 33 replies | In any circumstance: 31 yes (from 1969 to 2001) 1 no 1 various | | | In any circumstance: 28 yes (from 1975 to 2003) <i>(7 countries have a difference between light and heavy vehicles)</i> 4 no 1 various | | | Driver 25 yes (from 1976 to 2006) <i>(14 countries have a difference between bus types)</i> 5 no 2 no answers or N/A 1 various | | Driver 27 no answers or N/A 5 no 1 various | | Driver 27 no answers or N/A 5 no 1 various | | In any circumstance: 30 yes (from 1975 to 2003) 2 no 1 various | | | In any circumstance: 23 yes (from 1975 to 1998) <i>(4 countries: light vehicles only 1 heavy veh. only)</i> 6 no 3 no answers or N/A 1 various | | | In any circumstance: 22 yes (from 1975 to 2006) <i>(13 countries have a difference between bus types)</i> 3 no answers or N/A 7 no 1 various | | |
| | In town only 31 no answers or N/A 1 no 1 various | | | In town only 28 no answers or N/A 4 no 1 various | | | Passengers 23 yes (from 1976 to 2006) <i>(14 countries have a difference between bus types)</i> 5 no 1 various | | Passengers 27 no answers or N/A 5 no 1 various | | Passengers 27 no answers or N/A 5 no 1 various | | In town only 30 no answers or N/A 2 no 1 various | | | In town only 26 no answers or N/A 6 no 1 various | | | In town only 25 no answers or N/A 7 no 1 various | | |
| | Outside town only 1 yes (1978) 30 no answers or N/A 1 no 1 various | | | Outside town only 28 no answers or N/A 4 no 1 various | | | 6 no 3 no answers or N/A 1 various | | | | | | Outside town only 30 no answers or N/A 2 no 1 various | | | Outside town only 26 no answers or N/A 6 no 1 various | | | Outside town only 25 no answers or N/A 7 no 1 various | | |

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| Burundi | Yes | -- | -- | Yes for $\leq 3,5t$ only | -- | -- | Yes for all buses | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Cameroon | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | Yes for tourist coaches, school buses | No | No | No | Yes for other buses | Yes for other buses | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Central African Republic | Yes 1988 | -- | -- | Yes for $\leq 3,5t$ only 1988 | -- | -- | Yes for all buses 1988 | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Egypt | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes for all buses | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Mauritius | Yes | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes for tourist coaches, school buses, minibuses | Yes for tourist coaches, school buses, minibuses | -- | -- | -- | -- | Yes | -- | -- | Yes for $\leq 3,5t$ only | -- | -- | Yes for tourist coaches mini-buses | -- | -- |

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| Morocco | Yes 2005 | -- | Yes 1977 | Yes for ≤ 3,5t only 2005 | -- | Yes 1977 | No | No | No | No | No | No | Yes | -- | -- | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| TOTAL 6 replies | In any circumstance: 5 yes (from 1988 to 2005) 1 N/A | In town only 6 N/A | Outside town only 1 yes 5 N/A | In any circumstance: 5 yes (from 1988 to 2005) (light vehicles only) 1 N/A | In town only 6 N/A | Outside town only 2 yes (1 in 1977) 4 N/A | Driver 5 yes (3 countries for all bus types) 1 no | Passengers 1 yes (except urban and non urban buses) 3 no 2 no answers or N/A | Driver 3 no 3 no answers or N/A | Passengers 3 no 3 no answers or N/A | Driver 1 yes (for other buses) 2 no 3 no answers or N/A | Passengers 1 yes (for other buses) 2 no 3 no answers or N/A | In any circumstance: 2 yes 2 no 2 no answers or N/A | In town only 2 no 4 no answers or N/A | Outside town only 2 no 4 no answers or N/A | In any circumstance: 1 yes (light vehicles only) 2 no 3 no answers or N/A | In town only 3 no 3 no answers or N/A | Outside town only 3 no 3 no answers or N/A | In any circumstance: 1 yes (coaches and minibuses) 3 no 2 no answers or N/A | In town only 3 no 3 no answers or N/A | Outside town only 3 no 3 no answers or N/A |

Footnotes:

- 1/ Slovakia: In goods vehicles over 3500 kg the driver's seat and front seats must be equipped with seatbelts. If goods vehicles less than 3500 kg are derived from cars – rules for cars are applied, otherwise rules for vehicles over 3500 kg are applied.
- 2/ Turkey: The principle for mandatory use of seat belts in vehicles other than cars: It is mandatory if there is no other seat in front of the seat and it is mandatory if seats are located face to face. This principle applies to all vehicles in any circumstances. The general principle applies to minibuses used in urban transport but not to buses used in urban transport.