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## Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No.48

The modifications to the current text of Regulation No.48 are marked in **bold** characters.

## A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 12., amend to read:

## "12. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 12.1. As from the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant ECE approval under this Regulation as amended by the 04 series of amendments.
- 12.2. As from 30 months for vehicles of categories M<sub>1</sub> and N<sub>1</sub> and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant ECE approvals only if the vehicle type to be approved meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the 04 series of amendments.
- 12.3. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approvals to the preceding series of amendment to this Regulation.
- 12.4. Until 30 months for vehicles of categories M<sub>1</sub> and N<sub>1</sub> and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to grant approvals to those types of vehicles which comply with the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the preceding series of amendments.
- 12.5. ECE approvals granted under this Regulation before 30 months for vehicles of categories  $M_1$  and  $N_1$  and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments and all extensions of such approvals, including those to a preceding series of amendments to this Regulation granted subsequently, shall remain valid indefinitely. When the vehicle type approved to the preceding series of amendments meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the 04 series of amendments, the Contracting Party which granted the approval shall notify the other Contracting Parties applying this Regulation thereof.

- 12.6. No Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse national type approval of a vehicle type approved to the 04 series of amendments to this Regulation.
- 12.7. Until 30 months for vehicles of categories M<sub>1</sub> and N<sub>1</sub> and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may refuse first national registration (first entry into service) of a vehicle which does not meet the requirements of the 03 series of amendments to this Regulation."
- 12.8 Notwithstanding the transitional provisions above, Contracting Parties whose application of Regulation No.112 comes into force after the date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments are not obliged to accept approvals if the vehicle type to be approved does not meet the requirements of paragraph 6.1.2. and 6.2.2. as amended by the 04 series of amendments.

## B. JUSTIFICATION

At the fifty-fifth GRE session, Japan introduced the draft amendment to Regulation No.112 proposing the prohibition of Class A headlamps on new four-wheeled vehicles. However, a large number of experts were of the opinion that such prohibition would not be acceptable since these lamps were still widely used on vehicles of categories L1 and T. Following the discussion, Japan prepared the proposal for the draft amendment to Regulation No.48 at the fifty-sixth GRE session. This proposal was sent to the One-hundred-and-forty-third session WP.29 and adopted. After that, Japan found the problem that even Contracting Parties whose application of Regulation No.112 comes into force after the date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments could not refuse fitments of Class A headlamps on vehicles of categories M and N until 30 months for vehicles of categories  $M_1$  and  $N_1$  and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments.

This proposal is intended to solve this problem. The relation between Contracting Parties and the amendments is described hereunder.

Until 30 months for vehicles of categories  $M_1$  and  $N_1$  and 48 months for vehicles of other categories after the official date of entry into force of the 04 series of amendments

|                             | Contracting Parties whose     | Contracting Parties whose       |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                             | application of Regulation     | application of Regulation       |
|                             | No.112 comes into force       | No.112 comes into force after   |
|                             | before the date of entry into | the date of entry into force of |
|                             | force of the 04 series of     | the 04 series of amendments     |
|                             | amendments                    |                                 |
| 03 series                   | shall not refuse approvals    | are not obliged to accept       |
|                             |                               | approvals                       |
| 03 series and 04 series     | shall not refuse approvals    | shall not refuse approvals      |
| paragraph 6.1.2. and 6.2.2. |                               |                                 |
| 04 series                   | shall not refuse approvals    | shall not refuse approvals      |
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