

OICA PROPOSAL FOR AMENDMENTS TO DOCUMENT NUMBER
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2008/22

Proposal for draft collective amendments to Regulation Nos. 48, 98 and 112

A. PROPOSAL

Additions and deletions to the text of ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2008/22 are shown in **bold** and **strike-through** text, respectively.

A.1. PROPOSAL TO AMEND REGULATION No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light signalling devices)

Insert a new paragraph 5.2.1., to read:

"5.2.1. In the case of headlamps fitted with measures to prevent discomfort to other road-users in a country where traffic operates on the side of the road opposite to that of the country for which the headlamp was designed, such measures shall be achieved **using a simple procedure** by the vehicle user with the vehicle in the parked condition without the need for special tools (other than those provided with the vehicle a/) and the vehicle handbook shall provide a detailed description of the procedure accordingly."

a/ **This is not intended to apply to adhesive decals fitted to the headlamp lens."**

Transitional Provisions

Add new paragraph 12.X to read:

12.X Contracting Parties applying this regulation shall continue to grant approvals to vehicle types which do not meet the requirements of Supplement X to the 04 Series of amendments, if they are fitted with headlamps approved to Regulation No. 98 (prior to Supplement 9) or Regulation 112 (prior to Supplement 8).

A.2. PROPOSAL TO AMEND REGULATION No. 98 -- No amendments proposed

A.3. PROPOSAL TO AMEND REGULATION No. 112 -- No amendments proposed

B JUSTIFICATION

The phrase “using a simple procedure” is ambiguous and subjective. It should be sufficient to say that the procedure should be such as can be carried out “by the vehicle user ...without ... special tools”.

Many headlamps are converted for use on the opposite side of the road by the addition of adhesive decals to the headlamp lens. OICA believes that it was not the intention of the UK to require that such decals must be provided with the vehicle. However it would be possible to interpret the requirement in this way. OICA therefore proposes to add a footnote to make it clear that this is not required.

The provisions for the adaptation of headlamps in countries where traffic moves on the opposite side of the road were introduced into the Headlamp Regulations in Supplement 9 to Regulation 98 and Supplement 8 to Regulation 112. It is therefore appropriate to limit the enforcement of these additional provisions in Regulation 48, to vehicles types fitted with headlamps meeting those latest requirements. OICA therefore proposes to add a Transitional Provision to that effect.
