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**Simplification of lighting and light-signalling Regulations**

Proposal for Supplement [2] to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 86

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The text reproduced below was prepared by IWG SLR with the aim to review the definitions given in Regulation No. 86 by comparing them with those in Regulation No. 48 and, in case of identical definitions, to delete them from Regulation No. 86. Thus, all identical definitions will only be kept in Regulation No. 48. The modifications to the existing text of Regulation No. 86 are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters. Some text is shown in square brackets to indicate that discussion and a decision are required.

I. Proposal

*Paragraph 2.,* amend to read:

“2. Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation,

**the definitions given in the latest series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 48 in force at the time of application for type approval shall apply, unless otherwise specified in this Regulation.**

2.1. "*Vehicle type with regard to the installation of lighting and light-signalling devices*" means vehicles which do not differ in such essential respects as:

2.1.1. The dimensions and exterior shape of the vehicle;

2.1.2. The number and positioning of the devices.

2.1.3. The following are likewise considered not to be vehicles of a different type:

Vehicles which differ within the meaning of paragraphs [2.1.1.](http://srace2:8080/document/show/document_id/1771#A0_S2_2_1_) and [2.1.2.](http://srace2:8080/document/show/document_id/1771#A0_S2_2_2_) above, but not in such a way as to entail a change in the type, number, positioning and geometric visibility of the lamps prescribed for the vehicle type in question;

Vehicles on which optional lamps are fitted or are absent;

Vehicles which are fitted with lamps, the position of which varies according to the direction of traffic in the country of registration.

~~2.2. "~~*~~Transverse plane~~*~~" means a vertical plane perpendicular to the median longitudinal plane of the vehicle.~~

~~2.3. "~~*~~Unladen vehicle~~*~~" means a vehicle without driver, crew, passengers and load, but with a full supply of fuel, spare wheel and the tools normally carried.~~

~~2.4~~**2.2.** "*Laden vehicle*" means the vehicle loaded to its technically permissible maximum mass, as stated by the manufacturer, who shall also fix the distribution of this weight between the axles.

~~2.5. "~~*~~Device~~*~~" means an element or an assembly of elements used to perform one or more functions.~~

~~2.5.1. "~~*~~Lighting function~~*~~" means the light emitted by a device to illuminate the road and objects in the direction of vehicle movement.~~

~~2.5.2. "~~*~~Light-signalling function~~*~~" means the light emitted or reflected by a device to give to other road users visual information on the presence, identification and/or the change of movement of the vehicle.~~

~~2.6.~~**2.3.** "*Lamp*" means a device designed to illuminate the road or to emit a light signal. Rear registration plate illuminating devices and retro-reflectors shall likewise be regarded as lamps.

~~2.6.1.~~**2.3.1.** "*Equivalent lamps*" means lamps having the same function and authorized in the country in which the vehicle is registered; such lamps may have different characteristics from those of the lamps with which the vehicle is equipped at the time of approval on condition that they satisfy the requirements of this Regulation.

~~2.6.2.~~**2.3.2.** "*Independent lamps*" means devices having separate apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis, separate light sources, and separate lamp bodies.

~~2.6.3.~~**2.3.3.** "*Grouped lamps*" means devices having separate lenses and separate light sources, but a common lamp body.

~~2.6.4.~~**2.3.4.** "*Combined lamps*" means devices having separate apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis, but a common light source and a common lamp body.

~~2.6.5.~~**2.3.5.** "*Reciprocally incorporated lamps*" means devices having separate light sources or a single light source operating under different conditions (for example, optical, mechanical, electrical differences), totally or partially common apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis and a common lamp body.

~~2.6.6.~~**2.3.6.** "*Concealable illuminating lamp*" means a headlamp capable of being partly or completely hidden when not in use. This result may be achieved by means of a movable cover, by displacement of the headlamp or by any other suitable means. The term "retractable" is used more particularly to describe a concealable lamp the displacement of which enables it to be inserted within the bodywork.

~~2.6.7.~~**2.3.7.** "*Lamps of variable position*" means lamps installed on the vehicle which can move in relation to the vehicle, without being detached.

~~2.6.8. "~~*~~Main-beam headlamp~~*~~" means the lamp used to illuminate the road over a long distance ahead of the vehicle.~~

~~2.6.9. "~~*~~Dipped-beam headlamp~~* ~~" means the lamp used to illuminate the road ahead of the vehicle without causing undue dazzle or discomfort to oncoming drivers and other road-users.~~

~~2.6.10.~~**2.3.8.** "*Front fog-lamp*" means the lamp used to improve the illumination of the road in case of fog, snowfall, rainstorms or dust clouds.

~~2.6.11. "~~*~~Reversing lamp~~*~~" means the lamp used to illuminate the road to the rear of the vehicle and to warn other road-users that the vehicle is reversing or about to reverse.~~

~~2.6.12.~~**2.3.9.** "*Direction-indicator lamp*" means the lamp used to indicate to other road-users that the driver intends to change direction to the right or to the left.

~~2.6.13. "~~*~~Hazard-warning signal~~*~~" means the simultaneous operation of all of a vehicle's direction indicator lamps to draw attention to the fact that the vehicle temporarily constitutes a special danger to other road-users.~~

~~2.6.14. "~~*~~Stop lamp~~*~~" means the lamp used to indicate to other road-users to the rear of the vehicle that the longitudinal movement of the vehicle is intentionally retarded.~~

~~2.6.15. "~~*~~Rear-registration plate illuminating device~~*~~" means the device used to illuminate the space reserved for the rear registration plate; it may consist of several optical components.~~

~~2.6.16. "~~*~~Front position lamp~~*~~" means the lamp used to indicate the presence and the width of the vehicle when the latter is viewed from the front.~~

~~2.6.17. "~~*~~Rear position lamp~~*~~" means the lamp used to indicate the presence and the width of the vehicle when the latter is viewed from the rear.~~

~~2.6.18. "~~*~~Rear fog lamp~~*~~" means the lamp used to make the vehicle more easily visible from the rear in dense fog.~~

~~2.6.19. "~~*~~Parking lamp~~*~~" means the lamp which is used to draw attention to the presence of a stationary vehicle in a built-up area. In such circumstances it replaces the front and rear position lamps.~~

~~2.6.20.~~**2.3.10.** "*End-outline marker lamp*" means the lamp fitted to the extreme outer edge as close as possible to the top of the vehicle and intended clearly to indicate the vehicle´s overall width. This lamp is intended, for certain vehicles, to complement the vehicle´s front and rear position lamps by drawing particular attention to its bulk.

~~2.6.21.~~**2.3.11.** "*Work lamp*" means a device for illuminating a working area or process.

~~2.6.22.~~**2.3.12.** "*Retro-reflector*" means a device used to indicate the presence of a vehicle by reflection of light emanating from a light source unconnected with the vehicle, the observer being situated near that source. For the purpose of this Regulation, the following are not considered as retro-reflectors:

~~2.6.22.1.~~**2.3.12.1.** Retro-reflecting number plates;

~~2.6.22.2.~~**2.3.12.2.** Other plates and retro-reflecting signals which shall be used to comply with a Contracting Party's specifications for use as regards certain categories of vehicles or certain methods of operation.

~~2.6.23. "~~*~~Side marker lamp~~*~~" means a lamp used to indicate the presence of the vehicle when viewed from the side.~~

~~2.6.24. "~~*~~Daytime running lamp~~*~~" means a lamp facing in a forward direction used to make the vehicle more easily visible when driving during daytime.~~

~~2.6.25. "~~*~~Cornering lamp~~*~~" means a lamp used to provide supplementary illumination of that part of the road which is located near the forward corner of the vehicle at the side towards which the vehicle is going to turn.~~

~~2.6.26. "~~*~~Exterior Courtesy lamp~~*~~" means a lamp used to provide supplementary illumination to assist the entry and exit of the vehicle driver and passenger or in loading operations.~~

~~2.6.27. "~~*~~Manoeuvring lamp~~*~~" means a lamp used to provide supplementary illumination to the side of the vehicle to assist during slow manoeuvres.~~

~~2.6.28~~.**2.4.** "*Light source*" means one or more elements for visible radiation, which may be assembled with one or more transparent envelopes and with a base for mechanical and electrical connection.

A light source may also be constituted by the extreme outlet of a light-guide, as part of a distributed lighting or light-signalling system not having a built-in outer lens.

~~2.6.29. "~~*~~Interdependent lamp system~~*~~" means an assembly of two or three interdependent lamps providing the same function.~~

~~2.6.29.1. "~~*~~Interdependent lamp~~*~~" means a device operating as part of an interdependent lamp system. Interdependent lamps operate together when activated, have separate apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis and separate lamp bodies, and may have separate light source(s).~~

~~2.7.~~**2.5.** "*Illuminating surface*" (see Annex 3).

~~2.7.1.~~**2.5.1.** "*Illuminating surface of a lighting device*" (**main-beam headlamp, dipped-beam headlamp, front fog lamp, reversing lamp and cornering lamp** ~~paragraphs 2.6.8., 2.6.9., 2.6.10., 2.6.11. and 2.6.25.~~) means the orthogonal projection of the full aperture of the reflector, or in the case of headlamps with an ellipsoidal reflector of the "projection lens", on a transverse plane. If the lighting device has no reflector, the definition of paragraph ~~2.7.2.~~**2.5.2.** shall be applied. If the light-emitting surface of the lamp extends over part only of the full aperture of the reflector, then the projection of that part only is taken into account.

In the case of a dipped-beam headlamp, the illuminating surface is limited by the apparent trace of the cut-off on to the lens. If the reflector and lens are adjustable relative to one another, the mean adjustment should be used.

~~2.7.2.~~**2.5.2.** "*Illuminating surface of a light-signalling device other than a retro-reflector*" (**direction indicator lamp, hazard-warning signal, stop lamp, rear-registration plate illuminating device, front position lamp, rear position lamp, rear fog lamp, parking lamp, end-outline marker lamp, side-marker lamp and daytime running lamp** ~~paragraphs 2.6.12. to 2.6.20., 2.6.23. and 2.6.24.~~) means the orthogonal projection of the lamp in a plane perpendicular to its axis of reference and in contact with the exterior light-emitting surface of the lamp, this projection being bounded by the edges of screens situated in this plane, each allowing only 98 per cent of the total luminous intensity of the light to persist in the direction of the axis of reference.

To determine the lower, upper and lateral limits of the illuminating surface only screens with horizontal or vertical edges shall be used to verify the distance to the extreme edges of the vehicle and the height above the ground.

For other applications of the illuminating surface, e.g. distance between two lamps or functions, the shape of the periphery of this illuminating surface shall be used. The screens shall remain parallel, but other orientations are allowed to be used.

In the case of a light-signalling device whose illuminating surface encloses either totally or partially the illuminating surface of another function or encloses a non-lighted surface, the illuminating surface may be considered to be the light-emitting surface itself (see e.g. Annex 3).

~~2.7.3.~~**2.5.3.** "*Illuminating surface of a retro-reflector*" (~~paragraph 2.6.22.~~**retro-reflector**) means, as declared by the applicant during the component approval procedure for the retro-reflectors, the orthogonal projection of a retro-reflector in a plane perpendicular to its axis of reference and delimited by planes contiguous to the declared outermost parts of the retro-reflectors' optical system and parallel to that axis. For the purposes of determining the lower, upper and lateral edges of the device, only horizontal and vertical planes shall be considered.

~~2.8.~~**2.6.** The "*apparent surface*" for a defined direction of observation means, at the request of the manufacturer or their duly accredited representative, the orthogonal projection of:

Either the boundary of the illuminating surface projected on the exterior surface of the lens;

Or the light-emitting surface;

In a plane perpendicular to the direction of observation and tangential to the most exterior point of the lens. Different examples of the application of apparent surface can be found in Annex 3 to this Regulation.

~~2.8.1.~~**2.6.1.** "*Light-emitting surface*" of a "*lighting device*", "*light-signalling device*" or a "*retro-reflector*" means the surface as declared in the request for approval by the manufacturer of the device on the drawing, see Annex 3.

This shall be declared according to one of the following conditions:

(a) In the case where the outer lens is textured, the declared light-emitting surface shall be all or part of the exterior surface of the outer lens;

(b) In the case where the outer lens is non-textured the outer lens may be disregarded and the light-emitting surface shall be as declared on the drawing, see Annex 3.

~~2.9.~~**2.7.** "*Axis of reference*" (or "reference axis") means the characteristic axis of the lamp determined by the manufacturer of the lamp for use as the direction of reference (H = 0°, V = 0°) for photometric measurements and for installing the lamp on the vehicle.

~~2.10.~~**2.8.** "*Center of reference*" means the intersection of the axis of reference with the exterior light-emitting surface, specified by the manufacturer of the lamp.

~~2.11. "~~*~~Angles of geometric visibility~~*~~" means the angles which determine the field of the minimum solid angle in which the apparent surface of the lamp is visible. That field of the solid angle is determined by the segments of the sphere of which the centre coincides with the centre of reference of the lamp and the equator is parallel with the ground. These segments are determined in relation to the axis of reference. The horizontal angles ß correspond to the longitude and the vertical angles α to the latitude.~~

~~2.12.~~**2.9.** "*Extreme outer edge*" on either side of the vehicle means the plane parallel to the median longitudinal plane of the vehicle and touching its lateral outer edge, disregarding the projection:

~~2.12.1.~~**2.9.1.** Of tyres near their point of contact with the ground and connections for tyre-pressure gauges and tyre inflating/deflating devices/ducts;

~~2.12.2.~~**2.9.2.** Of any anti-skid devices which may be mounted on the wheels;

~~2.12.3.~~**2.9.3.** Of devices for indirect vision;

~~2.12.4.~~**2.9.4.** Of side direction indicator lamps, end-outline marker lamps, front and rear position lamps, parking lamps and side retro-reflectors;

~~2.12.5.~~**2.9.5.** Of customs seals affixed to the vehicle and devices for securing and protecting such seals.

~~2.13.~~**2.10.** Overall dimensions:

~~2.13.1.~~**2.10.1.** "*Overall width*" means the distance between the two vertical planes defined in paragraph [~~2.12.~~](http://srace2:8080/document/show/document_id/1771#A0_S2_12_)**2.9.** above;

~~2.13.2.~~**2.10.2.** "*Overall length*" means the distance between the two vertical planes perpendicular to the median longitudinal plane of the vehicle and touching its front and rear outer edge, disregarding the projection:

(a) Of devices for indirect vision;

(b) Of end-outline marker lamps;

(c) Of coupling devices, in the case of motor vehicles.

~~2.14.~~**2.11.** "*Single and multiple lamp*"

~~2.14.1.~~**2.11.1.** "*A single lamp*" means:

(a) A device or part of a device having one lighting or light-signalling function, one or more light source(s) and one apparent surface in the direction of the reference axis, which may be a continuous surface or composed of two or more distinct parts; or

(b) Any assembly of two independent lamps, whether identical or not, having the same function, both approved as type "D" lamp and installed so that:

(i) The projection of their apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis occupies not less than 60 per cent of the smallest quadrilateral circumscribing the projections of the said apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis; or

(ii) The distance between two adjacent/tangential distinct parts does not exceed 15 mm when measured perpendicularly to the reference axis; or

(c) Any assembly of two independent retro-reflectors, whether identical or not, that has been approved separately and is installed in such a way that:

(i) The projection of their apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis occupies not less 60 per cent of the smallest quadrilateral circumscribing the projections of the said apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis; or

(ii) The distance between two adjacent/tangential distinct parts does not exceed 15 mm when measured perpendicularly to the reference axis.

~~2.14.2.~~**2.11.2.** "*Two lamps*" or "*an even number of lamps*" means a single light-emitting surface in the shape of a band or strip if such band or strip is placed symmetrically in relation to the median longitudinal plane of the vehicle, extends on both sides to within at least 0.4 m of the extreme outer edge of the vehicle, and is not less than 0.8 in length; the illumination of such surface shall be provided by not less than two light sources placed as close as possible to its ends; the light-emitting surface may be constituted by a number of juxtaposed elements on condition that the projections of the several individual light-emitting surfaces on a transverse plane occupy not less than 60 per cent of the area of the smallest rectangle circumscribing the projections of the said individual light-emitting surfaces.

~~2.15. "~~*~~Distance between two lamps~~*~~" which face in the same direction means the shortest distance between the two apparent surfaces in the direction of the reference axis. Where the distance between the lamps clearly meets the requirements of the Regulation, the exact edges of apparent surfaces need not be determined.~~

~~2.16. "~~*~~Optional lamp~~*~~" means a lamp, the installation of which is left to the discretion of the manufacturer.~~

~~2.17.~~**2.12.** "*Operating tell‑tale*" means a visual or auditory signal (or any equivalent signal) indicating that a device has been switched on and is operating correctly or not.

~~2.18.~~**2.13.** "*Circuit-closed tell-tale*" means a tell-tale showing that a device has been switched on but not showing whether it is operating correctly or not.

~~2.19.~~**2.14.** "*Color of the light emitted from the device*" The definitions of the color of the light emitted given in UN Regulation No. 48 and its series of amendments in force at the time of application for type approval shall apply to this Regulation.

~~2.20. "~~*~~Signalling devices other than lamps~~*~~"~~

~~2.20.1.~~**2.15.** "*Slow-Moving Vehicles (SMV) rear marking plate*", a triangular plate with truncated corners with a characteristic pattern faced with retro-reflective and fluorescent material or devices (class 1); or with retro-reflective materials or devices only (class 2) (see UN Regulation No. 69 or [RRD]);

~~2.20.2. "~~*~~Conspicuity marking~~*~~" means a device intended to increase the conspicuity of a vehicle, when viewed from the side or rear (or in the case of trailers, additionally from the front), by the reflection of light emanating from a light source not connected to the vehicle, the observer being situated near the source.~~

~~2.20.2.1. "~~*~~Contour marking~~*~~" means a conspicuity marking intended to indicate the horizontal and vertical dimensions (length, width and height) of a vehicle.~~

~~2.20.2.1.1. "~~*~~Full contour marking~~*~~" means a contour marking that indicates the outline of the vehicle by a continuous line;~~

~~2.20.2.1.2. "~~*~~Partial contour marking~~*~~" means a contour marking that indicates the horizontal dimension of the vehicle by a continuous line, and the vertical dimension by marking the upper corners.~~

~~2.20.2.2. "~~*~~Line marking~~*~~" means a conspicuity marking intended to indicate the horizontal dimensions (length and width) of a vehicle by a continuous line.~~

~~2.20.3.~~**2.16.** "*Signalling panel or signalling foil*" means a device used to indicate to other road users the presence of a wide or long vehicle when viewed from the front, rear or side.

~~2.21. "~~*~~H plane~~*~~" means the horizontal plane containing the center of reference of the lamp.~~

~~2.22. "~~*~~Pair~~*~~" means the set of lamps of the same function on the left- and right-hand side of the vehicle.~~”

*Paragraph 5.2.,* amend to read:

”5.2. The illuminating lamps **(main-beam headlamp, dipped-beam headlamp and front fog lamp)**~~described in paragraphs 2.6.8., 2.6.9. and 2.6.10.~~ shall be so installed that correct adjustment of their orientation can easily be carried out.”

*Paragraph 5.10.,* amend to read:

”5.10. No red light which could give rise to confusion shall be emitted from a lamp as defined in paragraph ~~2.6.~~**2.3.** in a forward direction and no white light which could give rise to confusion, shall be emitted from a lamp as defined in paragraph ~~2.6.~~**2.3.** in a rearward direction. No account shall be taken of lighting devices fitted for the interior lighting of the vehicle. In case of doubt, this requirement shall be verified as follows:

…”

*Paragraph 6.2.5.,* amend to read:

”6.2.5. Geometric visibility: Defined by angles α and β ~~as specified in paragraph 2.11~~.

α = 15° upwards and 10° downwards,

β = 45° outwards and 5° inwards.

Within this field, virtually the whole of the apparent surface of the lamp shall be visible.

The presence of partitions or other items of equipment near the headlamp shall not give rise to secondary effects causing discomfort to other road users.”

*Paragraph 6.3.5.,* amend to read:

”6.3.5. Geometric visibility: Defined by angles α and β ~~as specified in paragraph~~ [~~2.11~~.](http://srace2:8080/document/show/document_id/1771#A0_S2_11_)

α = 5° upwards and downwards;

β = 45° outwards and 5° inwards.”

*Paragraph 6.4.5.,* amend to read:

”6.4.5. Geometric visibility: Defined by angles α and β ~~as specified in paragraph 2.11~~.

α = 15° upwards and 5° downwards;

β = 45° to right and to left if there is only one lamp;

β = 45° outwards and 30° inwards if there are two lamps.”

*Annex 1, item 6*, amend to read:

“6. Equivalent lamps: yes/no2 (see paragraph ~~2.6.1.~~**2.3.1.**)”

II. Justification

1. This proposal is part of stage 1 of the simplification package. With the new simplified Regulations on lighting and light-signalling developed by IWG SLR, it is necessary to review the definitions in several installation Regulations. During its seventy-eighth session, GRE was of the view that all identical definitions should be moved to one place and that Regulation No. 48 would be the best choice for that purpose.
2. IWG SLR decided that, at least for stage 1 of simplification, definitions that are not totally identical with the definitions in Regulation No. 48, even if the meaning is the same, should be retained in Regulation No. 86.
3. This amendment introduces the necessary changes into Regulation No. 86.

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1. \* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2014–2018 (ECE/TRANS/240, para. 105 and ECE/TRANS/2014/26, cluster 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)