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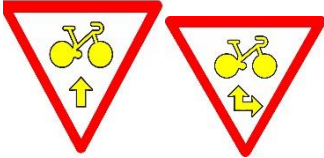



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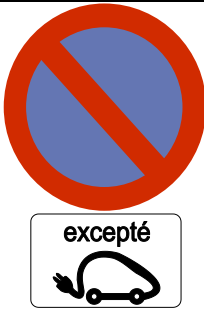
This document is a compilation of the feedback received from the Group of Experts on their suggested prioritization of the non-convention signs in the Road Signs Management System (RSMS).



Priority 1 (highest importance)







Sign section	Sign image	Sign description	Countries using the sign	Observations by the country experts
A		Warning of fire, the sign indicates an area with an increased danger of fire occurrence.	Croatia, Italy, Montenegro, Serbia	
A		Warning of an end of paved road and change to gravel	Ukraine	
A		Warning of risk of fog	Montenegro	
A		A13 - insufficient visibility: indication of the proximity of a section of the road where there may be meteorological or environmental conditions which render visibility insufficient, especially in the event of fog, heavy rainfall, snowfall or clouds of smoke or dust		
		Black spot (indicating an area where many accidents with fatalities happened)	Republic of Moldova	
A		Right/left curve	Chile, USA	
A, 7c		Rutting	?	Symbol A, 7c should be replaced.







A		Dangerous due to separate pedestrian and cyclist crossings		
A		Dangerous due to common pedestrian and cyclist crossing		
A		Sharp Left/right Bend Chevron	Nigeria etc.	These also as multiplied versions (with two or four chevrons) should be possible
A	 <p data-bbox="432 1016 523 1039">A15-Idosos</p>	A15 - elderly: indication of a place frequented by the elderly, such as a garden, park or similar;		
A	 <p data-bbox="400 1256 569 1279">A23-Trabalhos na via</p>	A23 - works on the road: indication of the existence of road works or obstacles;		
			France	Signal announcing a lane crossing of vehicles of the regular services of public transport.
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B		The sign allows cyclists to cross the traffic light signals in the direction indicated by the arrow(s) in order to turn right when the lights	Belgium	This is confusing as these are “yield signs” directed at bikes. The main “instruction” is for bikes to GO, subject to YIELD if necessary....if a driver sees that sign, he may think that he should



		are either red or yellow-orange, provided they give way to other road users traveling on the public highway or roadway		YIELD to bikes turning.... Also, it contravenes traffic light rules i.e., red light means "traffic may not proceed". (art. 23, p.15)
B		The sign allows cyclists to cross the traffic light signals in the direction indicated by the arrow(s) in order to turn right when the lights are either red or yellow-orange, provided they give way to other road users traveling on the public highway or roadway	France	
C		A road where, to preserve the liveability, in particular the environmental- and health nuisance due to a poor air quality, a selective policy for the access of motor vehicles applies.	Belgium	
C general		Foresee some flexibility to allow other categories of vehicles to be placed on the C-signs.	Belgium	
C		Prohibition of parking for bicycles or mopeds	Netherlands	The Convention, point 9 (a) (iii) requires that prohibition may be restricted by inscription on additional panel. The panels however are to specify an exception. As such this sign is not






				covered by the Convention.
C		Entry prohibited for several categories of vehicles	Switzerland	Should be allowed
C	 C4e-Trânsito proibido a peões, a animais e a veículos que não sejam automóveis ou motocicletas	C4e – forbidden traffic to pedestrians, animals and vehicles other than motor vehicles or motorcycles: an indication of forbidden access to pedestrians, animals and vehicles other than cars or motorcycles with a cylinder capacity exceeding 50 cm3		
C	 C4f-Trânsito proibido a veículos de duas rodas	C4f - traffic forbidden to two-wheeled vehicles: indication of prohibited access to all two-wheeled vehicles		
C		Parking prohibited except electric vehicles	Luxembourg	Due to the increase of electric vehicles such parking spaces must be guaranteed






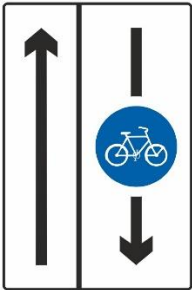
<p>C</p>	 <p>C3q-Trânsito proibido a veiculos transportando produtos facilmente inflamáveis ou explosivos</p>	<p>C3q – forbidden traffic to vehicles transporting highly flammable or explosive products: indication of forbidden access to vehicles transporting highly flammable or explosives; this prohibition may be restricted to vehicles carrying more than a certain amount of quantity of those products, indicated in additional panel</p>		
	 <p>C3r-Trânsito proibido a veiculos transportando produtos suscetíveis de poluírem as águas</p>	<p>C3r – forbidden traffic to vehicles transporting highly flammable or explosive products: products liable to pollute the water: indication forbidden access to vehicles transporting products that could pollute water; this prohibition may be restricted to vehicles carrying more than a certain quantity of those products indicated in additional panel</p>		







<p>C</p>	 <p>C14c - Proibição de ultrapassar para motociclos e ciclomotores</p>	<p>C14c - prohibition of overtaking for motorcycles and mopeds: an indication that it is prohibited to overtake for motorcycles and mopeds;</p>		
<p>D</p>		<p>Turn on lights</p>	<p>Chile</p>	
<p>D</p>	 <p>D10 - Obrigação de utilizar as luzes de cruzamento (médios) acésas</p>	<p>D10 - requirement to use (dipped) dipped-beam headlamps: an indication that vehicles may only travel with the dipped-beam headlamps</p>		
<p>D</p>		<p>End of compulsory cycle track</p>	<p>Croatia, Italy, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Russian Federation, Switzerland, Republic of Moldova</p>	<p>The shape of bicycle varies between countries. The Convention includes only a sign 'end of compulsory minimum speed' so far. As such, it would be logical that other compulsory activities are notified when they end. As such it will be logical to notify an end of compulsory activity for the following Convention D signs: D, 4; D, 5; D, 6; D, 9; D, 11 a and b.</p>
<p>D</p>		<p>Exclusive track for cars and cyclist</p>		
<p>D</p>		<p>Exclusive track for busses and cyclist</p>		





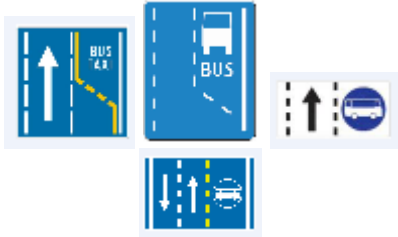
D		End of exclusive track for busses and cyclist		
		End of compulsory path, lane, road or trail	Sweden	The sign indicates that the compulsory path, lane, road or trail, marked with one of the signs D4-D10 cease. The sign does not need to be set up if it is anyway clear that the decree ceases. Other symbols of road user groups or vehicle type can be inserted into the sign. The symbol that is inserted in the sign is the same as on the sign used to mark out the path, lane, road or trail.
D	Two example exist from a government investigation but is not yet in the legislation	Compulsory road for automated vehicles	Sweden	
D	 D2c – Sentidos obrigatórios possíveis	D2c - possible obligatory directions: indication of the obligation to follow one of the directions indicated by the arrows on the sign;		
D	 H20c-Paragem de veículos afetos ao transporte de crianças	H20c – Bus Stop for vehicles used on the transport of children: indication of the place reserved for the stop of vehicles used to transport children;		
E	 	Road reserved to agricultural vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists and pedestrians where specific rules apply.	Belgium (is more or less the same as the walking street of Sweden and the pedestrian street of Chile, Austria (square blue sign with	




			symbol of a bicycle and/or pedestrian)	
E		Pedestrian zone	Luxembourg Austria Croatia Belgium	<p>The silhouettes vary between countries</p> <p>These are signs that are included under E, 9 sign, The Convention's E, 9 a through d are examples only.</p> <p>As the pedestrian zone is a popular sign, it can be considered to add it as example.</p> <p>The specification for signs of zonal validity is provided in Convention's Annex I, para 8 (a) for beginning of the zone and (b) for ending of the zone. Zonal validity signs are signs of E-section.</p>
E		Walking street/Pedestrian street (Where special traffic rules apply). Imagine the sign without the white frame	Sweden	<p>In Sweden the following special traffic rules apply On a pedestrian street the following applies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vehicles must not be driven at a higher speed than walking speed. 2. Vehicles must not be parked. 3. Vehicle drivers have a duty of yield against pedestrians. <p>On a pedestrian street, motor vehicles may not be driven other than to cross it. However, such vehicles may be driven on pedestrian streets if necessary</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. supplies to or from stores or equivalent at the pedestrian street, 2. transport of goods or accommodation to or from the address on the pedestrian street,









				<p>3. transport of guests to or from hotel or equivalent at the pedestrian street, or</p> <p>4. transport of sick or disabled persons to or from the address on the pedestrian street.</p>
E		Start of a cycling road where special rules apply.	Belgium	
E		lane for specified vehicles	Poland (indicated as non-categorized)	These types of signs are of the type E, 2. As for now the Convention defines E, 2 sign as indicating lanes reserved for buses. These signs would be included under the E, 2 sign if the Convention would refer to 'lanes reserved for vehicles shown on the sign'.
E		opposite direction of traffic for specified vehicles	Poland (indicated as non-categorized)	
E		Parking permitted for the immediate loading and unloading of goods only	Netherlands	
E		Special rules for intersection	Republic of Moldova	






E		Cyclist crossing		
E		Separate pedestrian and cyclist crossings		
E		Common pedestrian and cyclist crossing		
E		Bicycle crossing	Croatia, Poland	E
E		Contra flow lane for cyclist. (note that this sign informs only the cyclists)	Finnish version (to be introduced 06/2020)	
E		Contra flow lane reserve for cyclist. (note that this sign informs all road users)		











E		Low emission zone	Sweden	Three classes of zone in Sweden
E		Low emissions zone	Netherlands (indicated as C section) Belgium (indicated as F section) Hungary	As the low emission/environmentally sensitive zones are more and more popular, it can be considered to add an example of such a sign in the Convention.
E		Charging place/point for electric vehicles	Example from Sweden	Charging point where special rules apply for example; who are allowed to park on this point or place and under which circumstances... Perhaps without the red colour on the arrow
E/H		Charging station for electric vehicles	Switzerland (soon) (will be used as additional panel)	One or more symbols for electric vehicles should be introduced into the Convention. Since many countries use symbols for EV already, we probably have to agree to more than one symbol.
F		Charging place/point for electric vehicles	Example from Sweden Finnish version (to be introduced in 06/2020)	For showing the way to a charging point on direction signs. Perhaps without the red colour on the arrow...
E		Start of a cycling road where special rules apply.	Belgium	Something like that should be shown in the convention (but the colour red should be avoided)








			Finnish versions (to be introduced 06/2020)	
E		Start of a cycling road	Luxembourg Belgium (slightly different sign)	Newly introduced in Luxembourg: Cycling road. Cars allowed but no priority. (in Luxbg: C,2 included)
E	 <p>* One should be careful not to mix up carsharing and carpooling. Carsharing: the practice of sharing a personal car for regular travelling, especially for commuting Carpooling: a group of cars, owned by a company or other organization, which can be used by any of its members Carpooling Parking: only allowed if the car in this place is available for everyone, not allowed whilst using the car for private issues (keeping the key).</p>	Parking facilities for car sharers	Netherlands	Other design would be appropriated
E		Directional signs for cyclists	Luxembourg	Can be completed by predefined sub panels
E		Lane for public transport vehicles ahead, indicates the point where a lane for public transport vehicles starts	Croatia, Poland, Austria (indicated as non-categorized), Serbia	This is type of sign E, 2, though the Convention requires that the bus is shown on a sign, either of D or E type, see para 26 bis, page 19 and d, as per the Expert Group, the lanes should be indicated by arrows only, so the




		<p>Lane for public transport vehicles</p> <p>Bus and taxi lane</p>	<p>Azerbaijan, Russian Federation, Uzbekistan, Republic of Moldova</p> <p>Finland</p>	<p>road marking shall be removed.</p> <p>It should be clarified in which situation this sign is used.</p> <p>Even though the Convention presents an E-type of sign with a symbol of the bus on the E, 2 b sign, this kind of signs are not provided as examples and are not specifically described by the Convention. It can be seen as inconsistency, also since the bus sign is further referred in Article 26 bis.</p> <p>It would seem logical that these signs are addressed by the Convention.</p> <p>This signs can be only placed above the lane for which it applies as otherwise it would apply to all the lanes.</p>
E		<p>Limited time parking, pay parking</p>	<p>Croatia, Latvia, Montenegro</p>	<p>These signs are so far not covered by the Convention.</p> <p>In some countries the information about payment is presented with an additional panel as shown below.</p> 
F		<p>Place reserved for cyclists and drivers of two wheeled mopeds.</p>	<p>Belgium</p>	

				
F		Industrial area	Sweden, Finland	
F	   	<p>Speed camera</p> <p>Road monitoring</p> <p>Photo and video recording of road violation</p>	<p>Republic of Moldova and many other countries</p>	<p>Many countries use different symbols for speed camera and many other control camera types. These should be unified and added to the convention!</p> <p>This symbol is used for speed camera in Finland!</p>
		<p>Automatic traffic surveillance</p> <p>Sign that show that the police or similar collect your personal data by collecting the information from the registration plate on the vehicle</p>	<p>Example from Sweden</p>	<p>Not a sign only for speed cameras. The sign could be used in different situations where the authorities collect personal data from the registration plate on the vehicle, for example on at toll roads</p>
		<p>Automatic speed control.</p>	<p>France</p>	







F		<p>Lane reserved for carsharing but not mandatory: Other road users are not allowed to use this lane. Car sharing drivers should use this lane, but they don't have to (e.g. if traffic in another lane is faster, as this special lane will be combined to a speed limit).</p>	Luxembourg	Soon to be introduced
F		<p>Reserved and recommended for pedestrians, cyclists. Not mandatory. Others are not allowed.</p>	Luxembourg	
G		<p>Pinpoint the direction on dangerous curves</p>	Switzerland	Should not be added to the warning signs (Section A) but to the G-Signs .
G		<p>Rush-hour lane open Clear rush-hour lane Rush-hour lane closed</p>	Netherlands (indicated as E section)	
G		<p>Toll, pay toll</p>	Croatia, Serbia	As the Convention includes panels to inform whether the road is open or closed, it could also include an example of a panel, maybe including a universal symbol, for marking toll roads.








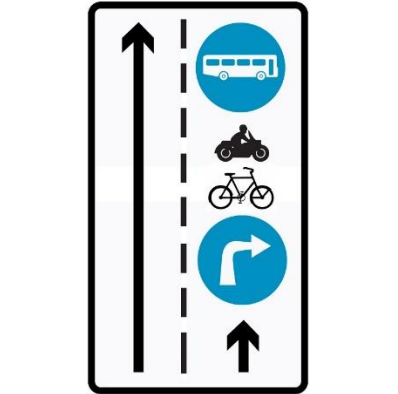
				The whole family of Toll road signs are one of the biggest group of problem signs today! To be unified and added in the convention!
G		Toll ticket mandatory, way of payment	Croatia	
G		Electronic toll pay	Serbia	
G		Electronic toll on motorway	Chile	
G		Area of toll pay	Serbia	
G		Toll road	Sweden	
G		Toll road	Poland (indicated as non-categorized)	
G		Toll road for passenger cars and buses	Hungary	
G		additional panel indicating road with e-payment	Poland (indicated as non-categorized)	
G		Symbol for a group of vehicles (lorry, all types of vehicle symbols should be listed)	Finland	It would make much sense to include a list of symbols in the Convention for use in the direction signs. These symbols should be the same as used for other categories of signs.
G		Merging	Sweden, Denmark	

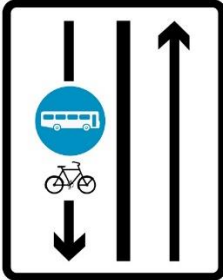
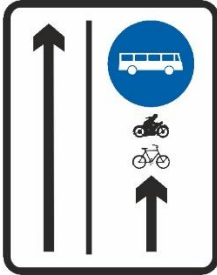


		Lanes merge (alternating passing traffic)	Serbia, Montenegro Finland (to be introduced in 06/2020)	This is a special case informing not only of a lane merge but also requiring an alternating passing of vehicles.
H		Parking for electric vehicles. The symbol of the vehicle may be altered.	Belgium (indicated as non-categorized)	
H		Parking for electric vehicles	Finnish version (to be introduced in 06/2020)	
H		Goods delivery	Latvia	
H		Space reserved for delivery	Luxembourg (indicated as non-categorized)	
H		Vehicles with at least 2, 3 or 4 persons aboard,	Belgium	Switzerland and France are testing this symbol at a boarder crossing in Geneva. Since car sharing may help to avoid traffic jam and therefore gets more and more popular, we should discuss to introduce a symbol/sign.
H		Working Days Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays	Latvia, Russian Federation, Uzbekistan, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine	So far the Convention (nor RE.2) does not provide any particular symbol for working days. So far the Convention (nor RE.2) does not provide any particular symbol for weekends and national holiday

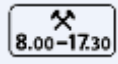
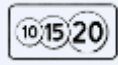













I		End of the stretch of road work	Sweden (indicated as A section)	
Art. 23 & 24		A green, orange, or red traffic light with the symbol of cyclist or a pedestrian which is surrounded by 4 arrows means that for all other directions there a similar phase of the traffic light applies.	Belgium	
		Departure lane sign? Roadway separation sign?	Example from Sweden	The sign indicates the point of separation between a main roadway and an exitroad where there is a deceleration field or similar.





Priority 2 (important)

Sign section	Sign image	Sign description	Countries using the sign	Observations by the country experts
A	 	Warning of risk of fog	Montenegro Belgium	RE.2 introduces a warning of fog with the sign A, 36 to be used as VMS.
A		Warning of reduced visibility (snow, rain or fog)	Luxembourg, Netherlands (car symbol is in the middle)	RE.2 introduces a warning of fog with the sign A, 36 to be used as VMS.
A	 	Warning of accident site	Azerbaijan, Luxembourg, Poland (yellow background), Republic of Moldova Belgium	The symbol of the car varies slightly between the countries This sign, (as A, 35) is introduced in RE.2 to be used as VMS.
A		Attention wrong way driver	Austria	This sign makes much sense to be used as VMS. Otherwise, it is not clear how it could be used.

A, 7 c		Rutting	Belgium	A sketch that we made 2018 in Finland
A		Start/end of median	Chile	
A		Warning of pedestrians	Sweden	Will be introduced also in Finland in 06/2020
		Warning of pedestrian	Example from Sweden	The meaning should be both pedestrian crossing the road or walking along the road
D		Pedestrian traffic. Pedestrian must walk facing the traffic. Not recommended for	Chile	
D		Reserved lane or roadway for regular public transport service vehicles etc	Example from Sweden	
E		U-turn site	Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Latvia Russian Federation Republic of Moldova, Ukraine	
E		<p>Within flow lane reserve for public transport, motorcycles, cyclist and right turners</p> <p>(This sign is installed at a junction).</p>		









E		<p>Contra flow lane reserve for public transport and cyclist.</p>		
		<p>Within flow lane reserve for public transport, motorcycles, cyclist</p>		
E		<p>Start of a cycle lane</p>		
E		<p>Electric Vehicle Charging Station/Point</p>		

H		Specified time during working days	Russian Federation, Uzbekistan, Ukraine	
H		Fee applies	Russian Federation, Uzbekistan, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine	The Convention specifies to notify road users of information that parking is subject to payment, see para 9 (c) (vi) page 43, no examples are provided. Neither any examples are provide in RE.2
H	 	Parking fee (between these hours) (Blue sign when the main sign is blue)	Finland,	
H		Duration of Paid Parking	Latvia	
H	 	Parking fee (between these hours) (Blue sign when the main sign is blue)	Finland,	
H		Duration of Paid Parking	Latvia	
H	 	Time limit, obligatory use of parking disc (Blue sign when the main sign is blue)	Finland,	
H		Parking disc	Belgium (indicated as non-categorized)	
H		Parking Time	Latvia	
H			FRANCE	carpooling
H			FRANCE	Signals Announcing a Restricted Traffic Zone Entry
H			FRANCE	Signals announcing exit from restricted traffic zone



<p>I</p>		<p>Indicates the frontal or lateral boundaries of a construction site.</p>	<p>Luxembourg (indicated as E section)</p> <p>Examples from Finland (red and yellow for temporary use)</p>	
		<p>Indicates the frontal or lateral boundaries of a construction site. In Sweden the symbol on the center white and red sign in the picture is horizontal.</p>		<p>Could it be a good idea that the sign when it is temporary has colours that are different from when it is used not temporary. In Sweden the sign is red and yellow when it is temporary and blue and yellow when it is not temporary.</p>
<p>J</p>		<p>Start of a cycling road</p>	<p>Belgium</p>	
		<p>Pinpoint the direction on dangerous curves</p>	<p>Example from Sweden</p>	<p>The sign can be put up alone but also together with several signs showing several arrow in the same direction.</p>
			<p>FRANCE</p>	<p>Metropolitan Road</p>
			<p>FRANCE</p>	<p>Parking under vidéo surveillance</p>









Priority 3 (less important)

Sign section	Sign image	Sign description	Countries using the sign	Observations by the country experts
B		Right turn allowed on red	Chile, USA, Canada	
E		Pedestrian zone	Croatia, Latvia, Russian Federation, Belgium (indicated as F section), Republic of Moldova, Serbia, Ukraine, Montenegro	The silhouettes vary between countries These are signs that are included under E, 9 sign, The Convention's E, 9 a through d are examples only. As the pedestrian zone is a popular sign, it can be considered to add it as example.
E		Start of a pedestrian zone	Austria (indicated as F-section)	
E		School patrol, informs drivers of the vicinity or of the point where members of the school patrol unit secure crossing of children over the carriageway	Croatia, Greece, Luxembourg	
F		Share(d) space	Austria	Any sign with a zonal application shall be made in accordance with para 8, see page 47.
F		Photo and video recording of road violation	Ukraine	



F		Religious buildings	Ukraine	
F		Motorhome?	Example from Sweden	
G		Itinerary for pedestrians	Finland	
G		Toll road	Sweden	
H		Goods delivery	Latvia,	
H		Vehicles with at least 2, 3 or 4 persons aboard, according to the figure which is mentioned and vehicles used for public transport;	Belgium	
H		Passengers getting in or out the vehicle.	Belgium	
H		Car sharing.	Belgium	

Priority 4 (least important)

Sign section	Sign image	Sign description	Countries using the sign	Observations by the country experts
A		Blind People Crossing	Nigeria	<p>A number of countries use additional panel, as below, to indicate road sections where visually impaired people may be expected.</p> <p>For crossing, it is not clear if the symbol can be read, especially from far, as visually impaired people crossing.</p> 

D		Keep to the right lane	Chile
D		Heavy vehicles keep to right lane	Chile
E		Hand signalling advance sign	Croatia, Serbia, Montenegro
F		Radar	Belgium (Republic of Moldova, Ukraine), Latvia, Russian Federation, Serbia, Montenegro, Italy
F		Roadworks	Belgium
F		Heliport	Greece
F		Track scale	Republic of Moldova
F		Shopping centre	Republic of Moldova

F		France		
H		Additional panel E38 shall indicate vicinity of a section of the road where visually impaired people may be expected.	Croatia, Latvia, Russian Federation, Uzbekistan, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine	RE.2 provides an example of an additional panel to be used in combination with a pedestrian crossing sign to indicate that the crossing is used by blind people
H		Sign "exit from motorway or expressway" (E46) shall indicate approach to an exit from the motorway or expressway	Croatia	
H		Sign "motorway interchange" (E47) shall indicate approach to motorway junction or junction between a motorway and an expressway	Croatia	
			FRANCE	Panel associated with panel B56, specifies the characteristics of access limitation

				Regional Natural Park of Sainte Baume
				parking under video surveillance
