

PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 48

(Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)

(Submitted by the expert from France)

Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from France in order to clarify the definition of “number” in all the paragraphs concerning “retro-reflector” in Regulation No. 48.

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 6.14.2., amend to read:

“Number :

Two, the performances of which shall conform to the requirements concerning class IA or IB retro-reflectors in Regulation No. 3. Additional retro-reflecting devices and materials (**including two retro-reflectors not complying with paragraph 6.14.4. below**), are permitted provided they do not impair the effectiveness of the mandatory lighting and light-signalling devices”.

Paragraph 6.15.2., amend to read:

“Number :

Two, the performances of which shall conform to the requirements concerning class IIIA or IIIB retro-reflectors in Regulation No. 3. Additional retro-reflecting devices and materials (**including two retro-reflectors not complying with paragraph 6.15.4. below**), are permitted provided they do not impair the effectiveness of the mandatory lighting and light-signalling devices”.

Paragraph 6.16.2., amend to read:

“Number :

Two, the performances of which shall conform to the requirements concerning class IA or IB retro-reflectors in Regulation No. 3. Additional retro-reflecting devices and materials (**including two retro-reflectors not complying with paragraph 6.16.4. below**), are permitted provided they do not impair the effectiveness of the mandatory lighting and light-signalling devices”.

Paragraph 6.17.2., amend to read:

“Number :

Such that the requirements for longitudinal positioning are complied with. The performances of these devices shall conform to the requirements concerning class IA or IB retro-reflectors in Regulation No. 3. Additional retro-reflecting devices and materials (**including two retro-reflectors not complying with paragraph 6.17.4. below**), are permitted provided they do not impair the effectiveness of the mandatory lighting and light-signalling devices”.

B. JUSTIFICATION

For a long time Administrations have been asking for the exact meaning of “additional retro-reflecting devices and materials”. Are there other retro-reflectors? With this new sentence the situation will be clarified. For example, if during the evolution of a car, the retro-reflectors grouped with other lamps are moved above the upper limit, it will not be necessary to delete them when other retro-reflectors following the requirements for positioning are installed.
