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Amendment proposal for Convention's provisions on the application of an 'end of regulation' oblique bar, band, parallel lines in signs B, 4, C, 17, D, 8 as well as all relevant E category signs

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This document contains amendment proposal to the provisions of the Convention on the application of an 'end of regulation' in signs B, 4, C, 17 D, 8 as well as all relevant E category signs.

I. General considerations

It is suggested that the words “band” and “parallel lines forming a band” are used to indicate that specific regulations end. If so, the Group of Experts should reconsider its recommendation included in the report under C, 17 a sign evaluation (third para): The Group recommended that the word “band” (Annex I, Section C, point 8 (a)) be replaced by the word “bar” to make the text of the Convention consistent.

The word “bar” should be used when an oblique bar is referred to in relevant C category signs (except for C, 17 signs), A, 29 signs as well as G, 22 signs.

The word “band” should not be otherwise used in the Convention. If so, it is necessary to amend paragraph 2 of Section F, INFORMATION, FACILITIES OR SERVICE SIGNS, I. General characteristics and symbols, by replacing the word “band” with “ground”.

II. Amendment proposals

The amendment proposals for the provisions of the Convention describing signs ending specific regulations, if accepted by the Group of Experts, should be included into the Group’s report under the relevant Convention sign evaluation.

The following amendments are proposed:

Section B,

4. "END OF PRIORITY" sign (B, 4)

The "END OF PRIORITY" sign shall be sign B, 4. It shall consist of sign B, 3 ~~above~~ with the addition of a black ~~or grey~~ median band perpendicular to the lower left and upper right sides of the square, ~~or, preferably,~~ of black ~~or grey~~ parallel lines forming such a band.

Section C, II Description,

8. End of prohibition or restriction (C, 17)

(a) The point at which all prohibitions notified by prohibitory signs for moving vehicles cease to apply shall be indicated by sign C, 17 a "END OF ALL LOCAL PROHIBITIONS IMPOSED ON MOVING VEHICLES". This sign shall be circular and have a white or yellow ground; it shall have no border or only a black rim, and shall bear a diagonal band, sloping downward from right to left, which may be black ~~or dark grey~~ or, preferably, consist of black ~~or grey~~ parallel lines forming such a band.

(b) The point at which a particular prohibition or restriction notified to moving vehicles by a prohibitory or restrictive sign ceases to apply shall be indicated by sign C, 17 b "END OF SPEED LIMIT" or sign C, 17 c "END OF PROHIBITION OF OVERTAKING", or sign C, 17 d "END OF PROHIBITION OF OVERTAKING FOR GOODS VEHICLES". These signs shall be similar to sign C, 17 a, but shall show, in addition, in light grey the symbol of the prohibition or restriction which has ceased. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the grey symbol. If not interrupted, the diagonal band should be placed over the grey symbol.

Section D, II Description,

8. End of compulsory minimum speed (D, 8)

Sign D, 8 "END OF COMPULSORY MINIMUM SPEED", shall mean that the compulsory minimum speed imposed by sign D, 7 is no longer in effect. Sign D, 8 shall be identical to sign D, 7, except that it shall be crossed by an oblique a diagonal red band or, preferably, of red parallel lines forming such a band running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. The diagonal red band shall have a white rim to separate red band from the blue ground. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the figure specifying the speed. If not interrupted, the diagonal red band should be placed over the figure.

Section E, II Description,

5. Signs notifying an entry to or an exit from a motorway (E, 5 b)

(d) These signs shall have blue or green ground and bear a light coloured symbol. The "END OF MOTORWAY" shall be crossed by a diagonal red band or, preferably, of red parallel lines forming such a band running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. The diagonal red band shall have a white rim to separate it from the blue or green ground. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the symbol. If not interrupted, the diagonal band should be placed over the symbol.

6. Signs notifying an entry to or exit from a road on which the traffic rules are the same as on a motorway (E, 6 b)

(a) Sign E, 6 a, "ROAD FOR MOTOR VEHICLES", shall be placed at the point where special traffic rules begin to apply on roads other than motorways which are reserved for motor vehicle traffic and do not serve properties bordering on the road. An additional panel may be placed under sign E, 6 a to show that, by way of exception, the access of motor vehicles to properties bordering on the road is permitted.

(50 See footnote)

(b) Sign E, 6b, "END OF ROAD FOR MOTOR VEHICLES", shall be placed at the point where those rules cease to apply.

(c) Sign E, 6 b, "END OF ROAD FOR MOTOR VEHICLES", may also be used and repeated to give warning of the ending of the road; the distance between each sign set up for this purpose and the end of the road shall be inscribed on the lower part of the sign.

(d) These signs shall have blue or green ground and bear a light coloured symbol. The "END OF ROAD FOR MOTOR VEHICLES" shall be crossed by a diagonal red band or, preferably, of red parallel lines forming such a band running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. The diagonal red band shall have a white rim to separate it from the blue or green ground. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the symbol. If not interrupted, the diagonal band should be placed over the symbol.

7. Signs indicating the beginning and the end of a built-up area (E, 8)

(b) The sign showing the end of a built-up area shall be identical except that it shall be crossed by an oblique a diagonal red band coloured red or, preferably, of red parallel lines forming such a band or consisting of parallel lines coloured red running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the name of the built-up area or the symbol showing the silhouette of a built-up area or the two

combined. If not interrupted, the diagonal band should be placed over the name and/or the symbol. Signs E, 8 a; E, 8 b; E, 8 c and E, 8 d are examples of signs indicating the end of a built-up area. The diagonal red bar shall have a white rim in sign E, 8 d to separate the band from the blue ground.

8. Signs having zonal validity, (b) Exit from a zone (E, 10)

(i) To indicate the exit from a zone in which a sign has zonal validity, the same sign displayed on a rectangular panel shall be set up as that placed at the entry to the zone but it shall be grey on a rectangular panel with a light coloured ground. A black ~~or dark grey~~ diagonal band or, preferably, parallel ~~grey or~~ black lines forming such a band shall slope downwards across the ~~sign-rectangular panel~~ from right to left. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the grey sign. If not interrupted, the diagonal band should be placed over the grey sign.

9. Signs notifying the entry to or exit from a tunnel where special rules apply (E, 11 b)

Sign E, 11 b 'END OF TUNNEL' may be placed at the point from which the special rules ~~no longer cease to~~ apply. Sign 'END OF TUNNEL' shall be identical to the sign 'TUNNEL' except that it shall be crossed by a diagonal red band or, preferably, of red parallel lines forming such a band running from the upper right edge to the lower left edge. The diagonal red band shall have a white rim to separate it from the blue ground. The diagonal band can be interrupted when crossing the symbol. If not interrupted, the diagonal band should be placed over the symbol.