



Proposal for draft amendments to Regulation No. 121 (Identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators)

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A. Proposal

Table 1, amend to read:

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No.	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
	ITEM	SYMBOL <u>2/</u>	FUNCTION	ILLUMINATION	COLOUR
...
25.	Brake system malfunction	 <u>8/</u> 18/	Tell-tale	Yes	see Regulations Nos. 13-H and 13 as appropriate
...
28.	Parking brake applied	 <u>9/</u> 18/	Tell-tale	Yes	Red

1/ ...

18/ Symbol may be shown in other colours than specified in column 5 in order to convey different meanings according to the general colour coding as proposed in paragraph 5. of standard ISO 2575-2004.

19/ ...lowercase letters.”

B. Justification

The brake malfunction symbol (N°25) is dedicated to the indication of brake system malfunctions according to the braking regulations, i.e. Regulations N° 13 & 13-H. Yet other colours must be permitted to indicate e.g. a malfunction in an ESC-related system (anti-skid system). When drafting this proposal, it was assumed that the document GRSG-99-XX superseding the joint UK/OICA doc GRSG/2010/28 was adopted, at least for what concerns the text in item N°25, Column N°5.

The mandatory red colour when the parking brake is applied is conform to the provisions of the braking regulations (Regulation No. 13-H, paragraph 5.2.3.; and Regulation No. 13, paragraph 5.2.1.26.2.3.). Yet other colours must be permitted to indicate e.g. a break in the wiring of the parking braking system (see Regulation No. 13-H, paragraph 5.2.19.2.1.) or the release of the electric parking brake.
