

Proposal to amend 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 53 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices for L3 vehicles)

Note: The text reproduced below is prepared with a view to rectify the transitional period for recently amended provisions applicable to the installation of lighting and light-signalling devices for L3 vehicles.

I. Proposal

Subparagraphs 11.8 and 11.10, amend to read:

“11.8. As from 1 September ~~2023~~ **2021**, Contracting Parties applying **03 series of amendments to this UN Regulation** shall not be obliged to accept UN type approvals to the preceding series of amendments **to this UN Regulation**, first issued after 1 September ~~2023~~ **2021**.”

“11.10. Notwithstanding paragraph 11.8., Contracting Parties applying **03 series of amendments to this UN Regulation** shall continue to accept UN type approvals to the preceding series of amendments to this UN Regulation, first issued after 1 September ~~2023~~ **2021** and extension thereof, for the vehicles which are not affected by the changes introduced by the 03 series of amendments.”

II. Justification

1. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2019/80 fails to justify why the proposed transitional period is required. Unjustified transitional period delays the implementation of requirements aimed at improving the vehicle safety.
2. As regards the new automatic passing-beam switching requirement, which is one of the key features of 03 series of amendments to UN Regulation 53, the implementation lead-time is not required given that the scope of the amendments is restricted to L3 vehicles equipped with DRL only.
3. However, with a view to allow the industry to comply with other requirements introduced by 03 series of amendments to UN Regulation 53, the transition period is set to 1 September 2021.