

Use of domestic and international driving permits

A presentation from the Informal Group of Experts

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Papers presented by the Group of Experts to WP.1

- 2018/1/Rev.3
 - Discussion of the background, and reasons for the proposed amendments contained in the other 2 papers.
- 2020/6
 - Proposed amendments to 1968 Convention for the amalgamated approach.
- 2020/7
 - Proposed amendments to 1968 Convention in addition to those for the amalgamated approach.

Introduction

- This follows previous discussions at WP.1 and is the formal paper requested at the last session. It:
 - Shows the necessary amendments to deliver the agreed upon amalgamated approach (see paper 2018/1/Rev.1)
 - Elaborates on minimum security features for driving permits
- This presupposes WP.1 continues to support a standalone IDP.
- To achieve this, it proposes amendments to Article 41 and annexes 6 (on DDP) and 7 (on IDP).

ISO 18013 suite for minimum security features

- ISO/IEC 18013 suite of standards is proposed for inclusion by the Informal Group of Experts to deal with minimum security requirements.
- These minimum-security features will apply to a DDP or an IDP and can help countries understand how close their current security features/formats are to a global standard.
- Harmonisation of the security features at international level may also encourage Contracting Parties to adopt a new DDP format.

The Proposed IDP format

- A contracting party who issues a DDP complaint with Annex 6 would not have to issue an IDP.
- However, a contracting party who does not issue an Annex 6 compliant DDP for any of the reasons mentioned above, will have to issue an Annex 7 compliant IDP (the format of which corresponds to Annex 6); or
- Contract a duly empowered association to issue such IDP on its behalf.

Additional proposed amendments

- **Contracting out of IDP production**
 - Allow agents of Contracting Parties to issue IDPs
- **Validity period of DDPs**
 - Insertion of validity periods for licences along the lines of those required for passports
- **Limitation for licences for newly qualified drivers**
 - Allow Contracting Parties to impose restrictions on newly qualified drivers
- **Limitations for licences – medical and offences**
 - Allow Contracting Parties to reduce validity period of driving licences for medical reasons
 - Allow for punishments to be imposed on a driver for road safety related reasons

- **Limits to under 21s to drive certain vehicles**
 - Allow Contracting Parties to not recognise those aged 18-20 being allowed to drive larger vehicles
- **Changes to the IDP**
 - To make the IDP blue (or another colour) polymer card
- **Proposed amendments to the vehicle categories and subcategories**
 - This will modernise the categories and promote subcategories to full categories
- **Proposed inclusion of driver and vehicle restrictions**
 - These are the most commonly used worldwide, and proposed for inclusion

Remarks in conclusion

- The proposals are based on the agreed amalgamated approach
- This is a standalone IDP, is this still what WP.1 wants?
- The amendments presuppose that this is the case
- We propose the inclusion of ISO/IEC 18013, and ask for WP.1's agreement to this approach on minimum-security features.

Remarks in conclusion

- There are two options to include the standard:
 1. Without date – the security updates will update in line with changes to the standard
 2. With date – the security features are frozen in time to the selected version
 - This can also be done, with a qualifying phrase after the standard. E.g. standards ISO/IEC18013-2:2020 and ISO/IEC18013-3:2017 or any subsequent version of these standards
- The three approaches have been incorporated as an option in the proposed amendments
- The Informal Group does not have a fixed preference

Remarks in conclusion

- The Informal Group also proposes additional amendments for consideration by WP.1, as set out
- Countries who are only Contracting Parties to the 1968 Convention need to be willing to recognise compliant DDPs or IDPs from 1949 Contracting Party countries to ensure a harmonised approach.
- However, the standalone IDP of the 1949 Convention does not have any security features.

Remarks in conclusion

- Some of the 1949 Contracting Parties are not issuing DDPs in compliance with the 1949 Convention.
- Such parties should be encouraged to issue DDPs and/or IDPs in compliance with 1968 Convention which may then be considered for recognition by the 1968 Contracting Parties.