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[F1ANNEX IV

List of UNECE Regulations which apply on a compulsory basis

Textual Amendments

F1 Substituted by Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/166 of 3 February 2015 supplementing and amending Regulation (EC) No 661/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the inclusion of specific procedures, assessment methods and technical requirements, and amending Directive 2007/46/ EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, and Commission Regulations (EU) No 1003/2010, (EU) No 109/2011 and (EU) No 458/2011 (Text with EEA relevance).

Notes to the table:

The transitional provisions of the UNECE regulations listed in this table apply, except where specific alternative dates are provided for in this Regulation. Compliance with prescriptions in accordance with subsequent amendments to those listed in this table shall also be accepted.

The dates specified in the UNECE regulations listed in this table, as regards the obligations of Contracting Parties to the 'Revised 1958 Agreement' (Council Decision of 27 November 1997 with a view to accession by the European Community to the Agreement of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the adoption of uniform technical prescriptions for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted to and/or be used on wheeled vehicles and the conditions for reciprocal recognition of approvals granted on the basis of these prescriptions ('Revised 1958 Agreement') (OJ L 346, 17.12.1997, p. 78).), linked to first registration, entry into service, making available on the market, sale, and any similar provisions, apply on a compulsory basis for the purposes of Articles 26 and 28 of Directive 2007/46/EC except in the case where alternative dates are specified in Regulation (EC) No 661/2009, which should then be taken instead.

In certain instances, a UNECE regulation listed in this table provides in its transitional provisions that as from a specified date, Contracting Parties to the 'Revised 1958 Agreement', applying a certain series of amendments to that UNECE regulation, shall not be obliged to accept or may refuse to accept, for the purpose of national or regional type-approval, a type approved in accordance with a preceding series of amendments, or wording with similar intention and meaning. This shall be construed as a binding provision for national authorities to consider the certificates of conformity to be no longer valid for the purposes of Article 26 of Directive 2007/46/EC, except in the case where alternative dates are specified in Regulation (EC) No 661/2009, which should then be taken instead.

- (a) UNECE Regulation Nos 1, 8 and 20 are not applicable for EC type-approval of new vehicles.
- [F2(b)] The fitting of an electronic stability control system is required in accordance with Article 12(1) and (2) of Regulation (EC) No 661/2009.]

Textual Amendments

F2 Substituted by Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/543 of 3 April 2019 amending Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 661/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Annexes I, III and IV to Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards updating the references to and including certain Regulations of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe on the type-approval of motor vehicles (Text with EEA relevance).

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- The fitting of an electronic stability control system is required in accordance with Article 12(1) and (2) of Regulation (EC) No 661/2009.
- (d) A safety-belt reminder is not required for a driver position equipped with an S-type belt or Harness belt.
- (e) Compliance with Part II of UNECE Regulation No 34 is not compulsory.
- Where it is declared by the vehicle manufacturer that a vehicle is suitable for towing loads (point 2.11.5 of Annex I to Directive 2007/46/EC) and any part of a suitable mechanical coupling device, whether fitted or not to the type of motor-vehicle, could (partly) obscure any lighting component and/or the space for mounting and fixing the rear registration plate, the following shall apply:
- the motor-vehicle's user instructions (e.g. owner's manual, vehicle handbook) shall clearly specify that installation of a mechanical coupling device that cannot be easily removed or repositioned is not permitted;
- the instructions shall also clearly specify that, when fitted, a mechanical coupling device must always be removed or repositioned when it is not in use; and
- in the case of vehicle system type-approval according to UN Regulation 55, it shall be ensured that the removal, repositioning and/or alternate location provisions are also fully complied with as regards lighting installation and space for mounting and fixing the rear registration plate.]
- Only Speed Limitation Devices (SLD) and the mandatory installation of SLD on vehicles of category M₂, M₃, N₂ and N₃ are concerned.
- [F3(h) A Universal International Whole Vehicle Type Approval issued under UN Regulation No 0 (OJ L 135, 31.5.2018, p. 1), that includes type-approval under the respective UN Regulations in the table that refer to this note, shall be considered equivalent to an EC type-approval granted under this Regulation.]

Textual Amendments

- Inserted by Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/543 of 3 April 2019 amending Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 661/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Annexes I, III and IV to Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards updating the references to and including certain Regulations of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe on the type-approval of motor vehicles (Text with EEA relevance).
- Tyre pressure monitoring system for M1 vehicles applies on a compulsory basis in accordance with Article 9(2) of Regulation (EC) No 661/2009. UN Regulation No 141 applies to the approval of vehicles of category M1 up to a maximum mass of 3 500 kg. UN Regulation No 141 may apply on voluntary basis to the approval of vehicles of category N1 that are not fitted with twin wheels on an axle.]

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Signature words omitted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(11)
- Art. 12(2)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(5)
- Art. 13(2)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(b)(ii)
- Art. 13(2)(b) word substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(b)(iii)
- Art. 13(5)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(e)
- Art. 13(6)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(e)
- Art. 13(9)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(e)
- Art. 13(10)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(e)
- Art. 13(15)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(j)(i)
- Art. 13(15)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(7)(j)(ii)
- Art. 14(1)(b) words omitted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(8)(b)
- Art. 14(1)(f) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(8)(c)
- Art. 14(3)(b) omitted by S.I. 2022/1273 reg. 55(8)(e)(ii)