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**Regulations Nos. 3 (Retro-reflective devices), 4 (License plate lamps), 6 (Direction indicator), 7 (Position-, stop- and end-outline marker lamps), 19 (Front fog lamps), 23 (Reversing lamps), 27 (Advanced warning triangles), 38 (Rear fog lamps), 50 (Direction indicator, stop- and position lamps for motorcycles) , 69 (Marking plates for slow-moving vehicles), 70 (Marking plates for heavy and long vehicles) , 77 (Parking lamps), 87 (Daytime running lamps), 91 (Side marker lamps), 98 (Headlamps using gas-discharge light sources) , 104 (Retro-reflective markings), 112 (Headlamps emitting an asymmetrical beam) , 113 (Headlamps emitting a symmetrical beam), 119 (Cornering lamps) and 123 (AFS headlamps)**

Collective amendment to the existing versions of the Regulations Nos. 3, 4, 6, 7, 19, 23, 27, 38, 50, 69, 70, 77, 87, 91, 98, 104, 112, 113, 119 and 123

Submitted by the experts from the Informal Working Group on “Simplification of Lighting and Light-Signalling Regulations” (SLR)[[1]](#footnote-2)\*

The text reproduced below was prepared by the experts from the Informal group “SLR” to introduce Transitional Provisions for the existing Regulations on Lighting and Light-Signalling in conjunction with the introduction of the new, simplified Regulations. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulations are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

UN-Regulation No. 3

I. Proposal

**A. Proposal for the 03 series of amendments of Regulation No. 3**

*Paragraph 12,* amendto read:

12. Transitional Provisions

12.1. As from [24 months after the official date of entry into force of Regulation No. xxx], Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall cease to grant approvals according to this Regulation.

12.2. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approval to this and any previous series of amendments of this Regulation.

12.3. Approvals granted under this Regulation shall remain valid indefinitely.

12.4. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to grant approvals for retro-reflective devices on the basis of this and any previous series of amendments to this Regulation, provided that the devices are intended as replacements for fitting to vehicles in use.

[12.5. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to allow fitting or use on a vehicle in use of a retro-reflective device approved to this Regulation as amended by any previous series of amendments, provided that the device is intended for replacement.]

II. Justification

1. This proposal is part of a package related to the introduction of the new Simplified Regulations on Lighting and Light-Signalling.

2. Due to the introduction of new and revised Regulations it is necessary to freeze the exisiting Regulations after a reasonable period of time.

3. For the transitional period, 24 months are proposed for all existing Regulations, which gives Contracting parties and their authorities as well as industry enough time to

(a) Finish or reorganize already existing developments based on the existing text

(b) Discover and eliminate possible misunderstandings and errors in the new Regulation text.

1. \* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2016–2017 (ECE/TRANS/254, para. 159 and ECE/TRANS/2016/28/Add.1, cluster 3.1), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)