UNECE approach for "filament-replacement" LED light sources in R37*

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*instead of LED retrofits in R128

The approach (legal and technical equivalence)

(based on the previous discussions and guidance given in the TFSR and at GRE)

- No further work on LED "retrofits" into R128
- Open R37 to allow "filament-replacement light sources"* in LED technology (LEDfr)
 - Use the photometric equivalence criteria from LED substitutes
 - Same cap as the filament version
 - Address open issues not fully addressed by LED substitutes (electrical, thermal)
 - Example: a PY21W of incandescent technology or a PY21W of LED technology, both approved to R37, will get the same "legal status"

*the final terminology to be defined

The new document scope

R37

Filament light sources (traditional, incandescent technology)

Filament-replacement light sources in LED technology (LEDfr)

R99

HID light sources

R128

LED light sources

LED substitutes

R.E.5 Category sheets

Filament light sources

HID light sources

LED light sources, including:

- LED substitutes
- Filament-replacement light sources in LED technology (LEDfr)

Filament-replacement LED light sources in R37

- Photometric equivalent to incandescent counterpart
 - Using equivalence-criteria from LED substitutes, incl. 3000K limit for white signaling light sources
- Addressing electrical interface for failure detection
 - Majority of functions / cars on the road have no failure detection (DI excluded)
 - Optional "external electronics" to support correct failure detection
- Addressing high temperature operation and PWM operation / dimming
- Additional user information and marking
- Not for use in type-approvals of devices