



Vehicle
Certification
Agency

1958 Rev 3 Article 12



What is the problem we are trying to solve/mitigate?

Description of the situation here

Technical Services and Type Approval Authorities need to understand under which provisions a UNECE Regulation has been issued according to:

- The provisions of 1958 agreement Revision 3 Article 12
- Or
- Respecting the transitional provisions of the individual regulation

This will influence whether the system approval can be included in a UNECE Regulation 0 (U-IWVTA or L-IWVTA), EU Framework Directive, or National approval.

Why is this important?

When presented with an approval to an 'old' series of amendments, Contracting Parties need to understand whether this is for an existing type (issued according to the transitional provisions of the individual Regulation when that series was valid, and which is still acceptable for existing types under the current transitional provisions), or if it is an approval issued to according to Article 12, the validity of which should be limited only to those Contracting Parties that accept the older series.



UNECE Regulation 48 Example

Example

The 06 series is the current level of Regulation 48 required for new types.

Vehicle 1 was issued with an R48.05 approval in 2016. This was the current series at that time and is still valid for registration in any Contracting Party territory because there are no 'all types' transitional provisions in R48.

Vehicle 2 was issued with an R48.05 approval by the UK in 2019 using the provisions of Article 12, because this vehicle is only intended for sale in the UK and the 05 series is acceptable for new types under the UK national small series scheme.

Vehicle 1 should be permitted for registration in other Contracting Parties, however, they are not obliged to accept Vehicle 2.

Currently there is no way to determine under which circumstances the 'old' series approval was issued, other than obtaining the original approval (*00) before it received any extensions and comparing the issue date with the transitional provisions.



Option 1: Complete the remarks section

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Comments on option 1: The remarks section is a 'free text field', there is no obligation for a TAA to add this remark. Therefore harmonisation cannot be guaranteed between approvals with this solution.

28. The summary referred to in paragraph 4.3. of this Regulation is annexed to this communication

Any remarks: Issued according to 1958 Rev 3 Agreement

(1) Strike out what does not apply.



Option 2: Amend UNECE communication forms

Option 2: Add a requirement on each UNECE certificate to indicate that the approval has been issued in accordance with 1958 Rev 3 Article 12 (an example is given below)

Comments on option 2: an administrative task to be completed. However, the solution is robust and ensures that the information will be consistently presented by TAA's.

		Approval No:
23.	APPROVAL GRANTED / REFUSED / EXTENDED / WITHDRAWN ⁽¹⁾	
24.	Approval Issued according to 1958 Rev 3 Article 12: YES / NO	New field added to all UNECE communication forms
25.	Position of approval mark on the vehicle	



Option 3: Additional field within the DETA system

Option 3 (in addition to either option 1 or 2):

Include an indication if the approval has been issued in accordance with 1958 Revision 3 Article 12 on the DETA system. However, it is not mandatory for TAA's to use the DETA system. Therefore it is not recommended as the only solution, however, it could be implemented in addition to option 1 or 2.