INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

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Interpretation of the scope of the compliance of vehicles with regard to braking equipment

Transmitted by the Government of France

The requirements concerning braking equipment were introduced in 1993 in marginal 10 221 for some type of new vehicles (motor vehicles exceeding 16 tonnes and trailers exceeding 10 tonnes), (1) dealing with anti-lock braking system, (2) dealing with endurance braking system and (3) dealing with mandatory compliance for the same type of vehicles after 31 December 1999. This last date was replaced in ADR 1999 by "31 December 2009".

With the Restructured ADR in 2001, the scope of these requirements and the mandatory compliance for "old" vehicles were introduced in notes of the table in 9.2.1. The wording corresponding to marginal 10 221 (3) was simplified to read "Mandatory compliance for all vehicles as from 1 January 2010".

Some years later this wording may be misinterpreted. We consider that this mandatory compliance was only required for the same type of vehicles specified in 10 221 (1) and (2) which corresponds to the vehicles specified in notes b and c in the table of 9.2.1.

We would like to know the opinion of the Working Group.

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