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Amendment proposals to 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals

Note by the secretariat

I. Introduction

- 1. At its second session, the Group of Experts on cycling infrastructure module (GE.5) agreed that the options provided in the provisions for restricting traffic light signals for cyclists in the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals do not cover the option of using the signals with symbols of cycle of red, amber and green colour on a black background. GE.5 also agreed that such an option appears to be the most suitable and legible one for restricting the traffic light signals to cyclists only. To this end, GE.5 agreed with making a proposal for modification to paragraph 13 of Article 23.
- 2. This document contains the proposal as prepared by GE.5 for modifications to Articles 23 and 24 of the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals. Bold text signifies addition while strikethrough suggests text removal.

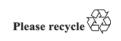
II. Proposed modifications

Article 23, Paragraph 13:

In cases where traffic light signals apply to cyclists only, this restriction may be clarified, if to do so is necessary in order to avoid confusion, by including the silhouette of a cycle in the traffic light signal itself replacing the red, amber and green lights by lighting symbols of cycle of the same colour on a black background or by using a traffic light signal of small size supplemented by an additional panel showing a cycle. Such an additional panel used in conjunction with the traffic light can be placed below, above or beside it.

Article 23, new Paragraph 13a:

The red, amber and green lighting symbols of cycle may be supplemented by lighting arrows of the same colour. In such case, the prohibition or authorization expressed by the signal is restricted to the direction or directions indicated by the arrow or arrows.





Article 23, new Paragraph 13b:

Traffic light signals for cyclists might be supplemented by an additional light signal indicating the detection of cyclist.

Article 24:

Signals for pedestrians only

Article 24, new Paragraph 6:

Light signals for pedestrians may include a symbol of cycle to indicate that they apply both to pedestrians and cyclists.