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Modifications to tables transmitted by Spain and Luxembourg

Modifications transmitted by Spain:

Table 1: <u>General speed limits in km/h in force outside built-up areas for category A</u>

vehicles and mopeds

The speed limit for mopeds is 45 km/h.

Table 4: General speed limits in km/h in force outside built-up areas for category D

vehicles

Without a trailer, the speeds are 100 km/h, 90 km/h and 80 km/h, respectively.

Table 11: Periodic technical inspection of vehicles

Spain follows the standards established in European Commission Directive 77/143/EEC, amended by Directives 88/449/EEC, 91/225/EEC and 91/328/EEC.

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Notes to table 11

1. Motorcycles: up to 5 years: no

after 5 years: every two years

2. Private vehicles, except for mopeds and motorcycles, seating nine persons, including the driver:

up to 4 years: no

between 4 and 10 years: every two years

after 10 years: every year

Ambulances and public service vehicles for the carriage of persons, including school 3. buses, seating nine persons, including the driver:

up to 5 years: annual

after 5 years: every six months

4. Rented vehicles and driving-school vehicles, seating nine persons, including the driver:

up to 2 years: no

between 2 and 5 years: every year after 5 years: every six months

5. Vehicles intended for the carriage of passengers, including school buses, seating more than 10 persons:

up to 5 years: annual

after 5 years: every six months

6. Goods vehicles of a permissible maximum weight < 3.5 tonnes

up to 2 years: no

between 2 and 6 years: every two years between 6 and 10 years: every year after 10 years: every six months

7. Vehicles of a permissible maximum weight > 3.5 tonnes

up to 10 years: every year

after 10 years: every six months

8. Towed caravans of a permissible maximum weight > 750 kg

up to 6 years: no

after 6 years: every two years

9. Agricultural tractors, self-propelled agricultural machines, agricultural trailers and other agricultural vehicles, except for hand tractors and similar machines:

up to 8 years: no

between 8 and 16 years: every two years

after 16 years: every year

Special public works vehicles and other self-propelled machines, excluding those with speeds of less than 25 km/h:

up to 4 years: no

between 4 and 10 years: every 2 years

after 10 years: every year

10. Circus vehicles, travelling fairs:

up to 4 years: no

between 4 and 6 years: every 2 years

after 6 years: every year

The inspection centre combines the technical conditions required by the relevant royal decree and is approved by the authorities of the Autonomous Community in that region.

If the report on a mandatory revision is unfavourable, the technical inspection centre gives the vehicle-owner less than two months to make the necessary repairs. This period may be extended depending on the nature of the repair to be made. The centre keeps the technical inspection card until the vehicle-owner has made the repair. He is not therefore allowed to take the vehicle on the road, and is permitted only to travel to the garage or the inspection centre for a further mandatory inspection once the repair is made.

In the event of failure to comply with this rule, the centre sends the documents withheld to the departmental or provincial road traffic and safety authorities and submits an application for annulment of the vehicle licence in order to take the vehicle out of circulation.

Amendments communicated by Luxembourg:

Table 1: General speed limits in km/h in force outside built-up areas for category A vehicles and mopeds

the speed limit for mopeds is 45 km/h

for motorcycles: 120*km/h, 90**km/h and 90**km/h

for motorcycles with sidecar: 120*km/h, 90**km/h and 90**km/h

for motorcycles with trailer: 90 km/h, 75 km/h and 75 km/h

^{* 90} km/h during the probationary period and until the permit-holder has taken a training course in a Ministry of Transport-approved centre.

^{** 75} km/h during the probationary period and until the permit-holder has taken a training course in a Ministry of Transport-approved centre.

Table 2: <u>General speed limits in km/h in force outside built-up areas for category B</u> vehicles

speed limit for vehicles with no trailer: 120*km/h, 90**km/h and 90**km/h speed limit for vehicles with light trailer: 90 km/h, 90**km/h and 75 km/h speed limit for vehicles with heavy trailer: 90 km/h, 90** km/h and 75 km/h speed limit for vehicles with studded tyres: 90 km/h, 60 km/h and 60 km/h

Table 3: General speed limits in km/h in force outside built-up areas for category C vehicles

speed limit for vehicles > 5 t: 90 km/h, 75 km/h and 75 km/h

Table 4: <u>General speed limits in km/h in force outside built-up areas for category D</u> vehicles

speed limit for vehicles with no trailer: 90 km/h, 75 km/h and 75 km/h speed limit for vehicles with light trailer: 90 km/h, 75 km/h and 75 km/h speed limit for vehicles with heavy trailer: 90 km/h, 75 km/h and 75 km/h

Table 6: <u>Permissible level of alcohol in the blood and methods of control</u>

Minimum age for obtaining a driver's licence according to vehicle category;

method of control: alcotest (breath test) and, if positive, breathalyser, blood test

Table 12: <u>Minimum age for obtaining a driver's licence according to vehicle category;</u> obligation to follow a course of driving instruction at a driving school

age, cat. D: 21; cat. E: 18/21 obligation to follow a course of driving instruction: yes, theory course only for mopeds
