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Draft Ministerial Order laying down the technical conditions which plastic sheets intended to be affixed to rear side window glazing and to the rear window glazing of motor vehicles in service must meet.

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2. Member State

Spain

3. Department Responsible

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5. Title

Draft Ministerial Order laying down the technical conditions which plastic sheets intended to be affixed to rear side window glazing and to the rear window glazing of motor vehicles in service must meet.

6. Products Concerned

The draft concerns adhesive sunshades that may be affixed to rear and side window glazing of motor vehicles and their trailers.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The adhesive plastic sheets may be type-approved together with the glazing for which they are intended pursuant to Directive 92/22/EEC. For cases where the window glazing fitted in motor vehicles and their trailers has not been type-approved for these sheets and in order to enable them to be affixed in vehicles in service, we hereby propose this draft which aims to lay down the technical specifications which both the sheets and their means of adhesion must meet, to ensure visibility for the driver and reduce the risks of body injuries in the event of the glazing breaking or impact by occupants of the motor vehicles and their trailers against the glazing.

Moreover, Article 3(2) of the draft in question guarantees the principle of mutual recognition.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The European Commission has initiated an infringement procedure against Spain, urging the Spanish authorities to adapt their legislation in line with the requirements of the free movement of goods pursuant to Article 28 of the Treaty.

This draft is designed to fulfil the mandate of the Committee while ensuring compliance with the basic conditions of road safety.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- Council Directive 92/22/EEC of 31 March 1992 on safety glazing and glazing materials on motor vehicles and their trailers
- UNECE Regulation No 43R00 on uniform provisions concerning the approval of safety glazing materials. This Regulation has been incorporated into the *acquis communautaire* by means of Council Decision 97/836/EC.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

Yes

12. Grounds for the Emergency

We would request the procedure urgently in order to be able to meet the deadlines laid down in the infringement procedure initiated by the European Commission against Spain.

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

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