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# Order on the conditions for installing and approving retrofitted devices to reduce emissions of pollutants from in-service vehicles.

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# Message

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#### 4. Notification Number

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#### 5. Title

Order on the conditions for installing and approving retrofitted devices to reduce emissions of pollutants from in-service vehicles.

#### 6. Products Concerned

Retrofitting devices to reduce emissions of pollutants from motor vehicles in the affected international categories M and N.

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

#### 8. Main Content

This order concerns the conditions for installing and approving retrofitted devices to reduce emissions of pollutants (nitrogen oxides and/or particles) from the combustion engines of in-service vehicles in the international categories M2, M3 and N2, N3 and also vehicles in the categories M1 and N1, sorted by type according to their pollutant emissions according to Directive 2001/27/EC amended by Directive 2001/27/EC, or Directive 2005/55/EC amended by Directive 2008/74/EC.

This order implements the provisions of the order of 3 May 2012 establishing the categories of vehicles based on their level of atmospheric pollutant emissions.

This order was drafted in keeping with the technical principles and procedures of the forthcoming international harmonised regulation, regarding both the certification of devices after the treatment of emissions and the conditions for their installation in vehicles, which is currently being considered by a United Nations working group (REC of the WP29/GRPE) in Geneva.

Moreover, when the forthcoming regulation is officially adopted in Geneva, this order will be superseded by the provisions of that regulation.

It should be noted that under article 5 §4, the tests carried out by other notified laboratories shall be recognised as conforming to the provisions of this order.

# 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The installation of retrofitted devices to reduce certain pollutant emissions in vehicles already in use will allow these vehicles to conform to a level of pollutant emissions better than that for which they were originally designed and approved.

Once they have been fitted, they will enable the vehicles to enter areas of priority action for air (APAA) where restrictions or bans on circulation have been applied under atmosphere protection programmes or in cases of pollution peaks.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference to basic texts: -the French environment code, especially article L. 228-3;

- -the French road and traffic code, especially articles L. 318-1, R. 318-1 and R. 318-2, R. 321-1 to R321-25;
- -the order of 3 May 2012 establishing categories of vehicles based on their level of atmospheric pollutant emissions.

#### 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

# 12. Grounds for the Emergency

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# 13. Confidentiality

No

#### 14. Fiscal measures

No

### 15. Impact assessment

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# 16. TBT and SPS aspects

**OTC** Aspect

No – The draft has no noticeable effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No – The draft has no noticeable effect on international trade.

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