

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>GERMANY</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Ministry of Transport
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [ ], 7.3.2 [ ], 7.4.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):  (a) motorcycles;  (b) motor vehicles with a permissible total mass of more than 2,800 kg.
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Sixteenth Ordinance on the Amendment of Provisions of Road Traffic Legislation
6.	Description of content:  (a) ECE Regulation No. 40 contains provisions on the exhaust emissions of motorcycles. Amendment 1 provides for the reduction of the limit values for pollutants (CO and HC) in the exhaust gas of motorcycles.  The application of Amendment 1 to ECE Regulation No. 40 shall, as of 1 July 1994, be obligatory for all new motorcycles which are put into circulation.  (b) Motor vehicles which meet the requirements of Directive 70/157/EEC (Noises of motor vehicles) in the version of Directive 92/97/EEC shall be deemed low-noise motor vehicles. These motor vehicles may carry the newly introduced sign "low-noise motor vehicle" (round sign in green with white L and white edge).
7.	Objective and rationale:  (a) Reduction of the pollutant emission in the exhaust gas of motorcycles.  (b) Environmental protection measure.

8.	Relevant documents: ECE Regulation No. 40, EC Directive 92/97/EEC, Road Licensing Regulations
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 July 1994
10.	Final date for comments: 1 November 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address of other body:  Bundesministerium für Verkehr Referat StV 14 Robert-Schuman-Platz 1 D-53175