
Road vehicles — Symbols for controls, indicators and tell-tales

Véhicules routiers — Symboles pour les commandes, indicateurs et témoins



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Foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- a column "Purpose and application of use" including individual descriptions was added to all symbols;
- Annexes W – X have been moved to [Annexes O – R](#);
- former Annex W (now [Annex O](#)) has been adopted to the structure of the other annexes;
- several signs in [Annex Q](#) have been deleted due to missing registrations (will be added after their registration).

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1 Scope

This document specifies symbols (i.e. conventional signs) for use on controls, indicators and tell-tales applying to passenger cars, light and heavy commercial vehicles and buses, to ensure identification and facilitate use. This document additionally describes the purpose and application for the symbols.

It also indicates the colours of possible optical tell-tales, which inform the driver of either correct operation or malfunctioning of the related devices.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 15008, *Road vehicles — Ergonomic aspects of transport information and control systems — Specifications and test procedures for in-vehicle visual presentation*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

symbol

visually perceptible figure used to transmit information independently of language, produced by drawing, printing or other means

3.2

tell-tale

display that indicates, by means of a light-emitting device, the actuation of a device, a correct or defective functioning or condition, or a failure to function

3.3

sign

visually perceptible graphic, generally larger in size than a *symbol* (3.1), designed for a label, tag or sticker

3.4

application

modification of *symbol* (3.1) originals in order to maintain visual clarity and overall consistency