

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Transport Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Add-on restraint equipment
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations (pages 1992-1995)
6.	<p>Description of content: At the moment, the requirements governing "add-on" motor vehicle restraint equipment, which is installed after purchase by users, are contained in the <i>Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations</i> (MVSR) under Sections 213, 213.1, 213.2, and 213.3. The new <i>Motor Vehicle Safety Act</i>, which came into force on 12 April 1995, gives the Department of Transport explicit authority over add-on restraint equipment and sets additional requirements with regard to this equipment. As a result, a separate body of regulations, called the <i>Regulations Respecting Motor Vehicle Equipment for Use in the Restraint of Children and Disabled Persons</i>, is being created which will render the requirements contained in the MVSRs redundant.</p> <p>This Amendment will repeal Sections 213, 213.1, 213.2, and 213.3 of the MVSRs, which are entitled "Child Restraint Systems", "Infant Seating and Restraint Systems", "Booster Cushions" and "Restraint Systems for Disabled Persons", respectively. It will also rescind the definitions related to add-on restraint equipment, as they are no longer necessary, and remove the references to the above Sections from Schedule III of the MVSRs.</p> <p>As part of this Amendment, a change is also being made to Section 213.4 of the Regulations, which is entitled "Built-in Child Restraint Systems and Built-in Booster Cushions". At the request of automotive manufacturers, Section 231.4 of the Motor Vehicle Safety Test Methods has been revised to clarify the procedure for measuring the back of a built-in child restraint system. This Amendment updates the reference to the applicable test method, which is now dated 15 December 1995.</p>

7.	Objective and rationale: Protection of human safety
8.	Relevant documents: Canada Gazette, Part 1, 13 July 1996
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } Not stated
10.	Final date for comments: 11 October 1996
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: