

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

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

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> JAPAN <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Motor vehicles (HS: 87.01-08, 87.11, 87.14 and 87.16)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Partial Amendment to the Safety Regulations for Road Vehicles
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Amendment of the relevant regulations as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) A speed limitation device will be mandatory for trucks whose gross vehicle weight is 8 tons or more, or whose maximum loading capacity is 5 tons or more.</li><li>(2) Mandatory requirement of equipping a speed indicator will be abolished for trucks whose gross vehicle weight is 8 tons or more, or whose maximum loading capacity is 5 tons or more.</li><li>(3) Motor vehicles will be allowed to be equipped with an anti-theft device.</li><li>(4) Buses and other vehicles will be allowed to be equipped with an alarm device which tells an emergency to the outside.</li></ul>
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To enhance safety of motor vehicles.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> The Safety Regulations for Road Vehicles (1951 Ministerial Ordinance No. 67). The amendment will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) where promulgated.
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> March 2001 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> September 2003 for (1), March 2001 for (2), (3) and (4) in item 6 above.
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 26 March 2001
11.	<b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: