



**Road vehicles — Comparison of statutory  
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# Road vehicles — Comparison of statutory photometric requirements in various countries for lighting devices

## 1 Scope

This Technical Report compiles photometric requirements for headlamps [main beam (upper beam) and dipped beam (low beam)] and fog lamps from existing provisions for lighting devices, established by national or international legislations in various countries.

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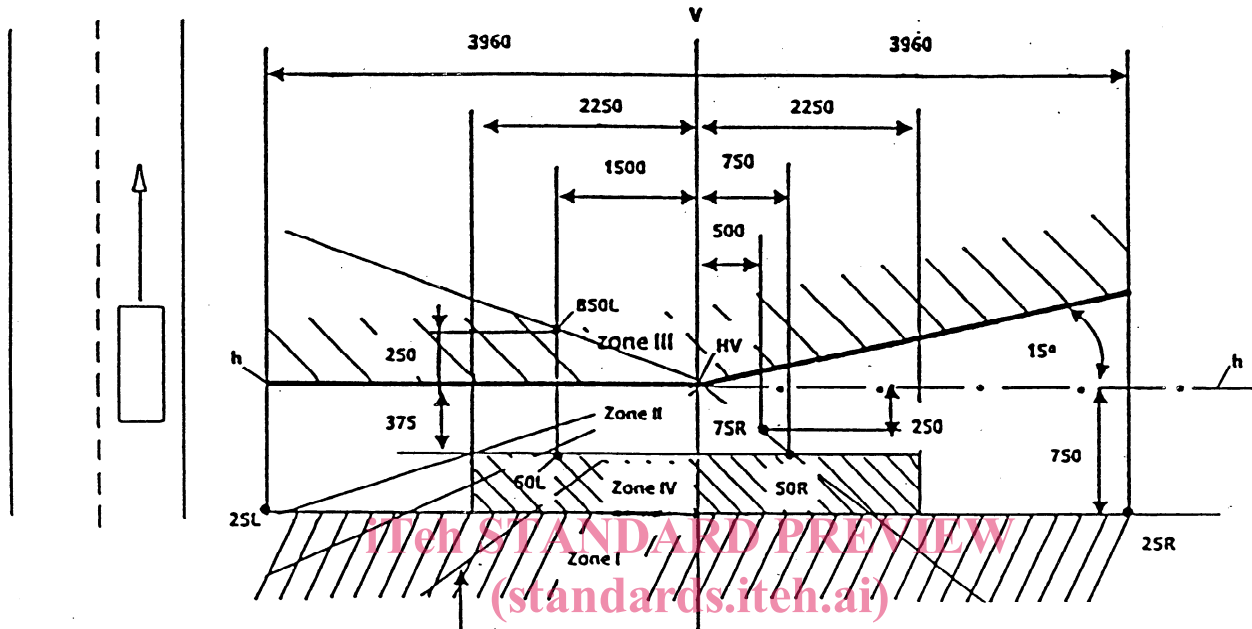
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## 3 Photometric requirements

Sheets No. 1 to 14 of this Technical Report are excerpts from existing provisions established by national or international legislations. They were the current requirements as of October 1991.

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 MEASURING SCREEN

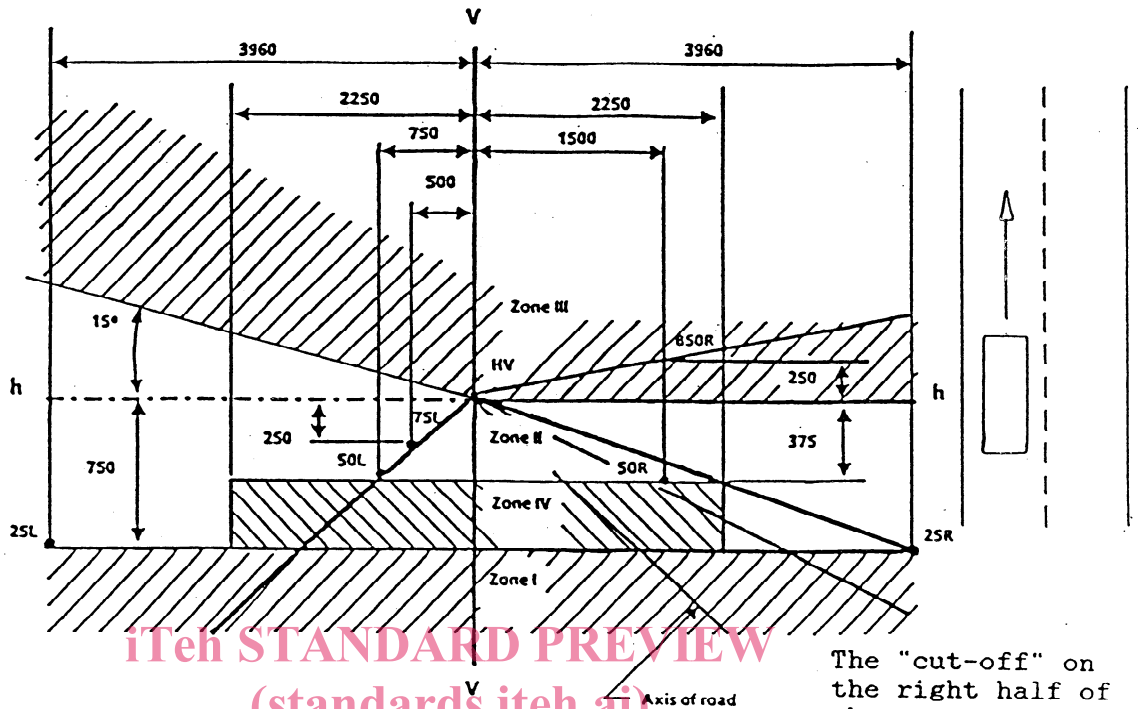
HEADLAMP FOR RIGHT HAND TRAFFIC

h-h: horizontal plane)      passing through      dimensions in mm  
 v-v: vertical plane )      focus of headlamp

Lux measured at 25m

Point on measuring screen	REQUIRED ILLUMINATION IN LUX
Headlights for right hand traffic	
Point B 50 L	≤0.3
Point 75 R	≥6
Point 50 R	≥6
Point 25 L	≥1.5
Point 25 R	≥1.5
Any point in Zone III	≤0.7
Any point in Zone IV	≥2
Any point in Zone I	≤20

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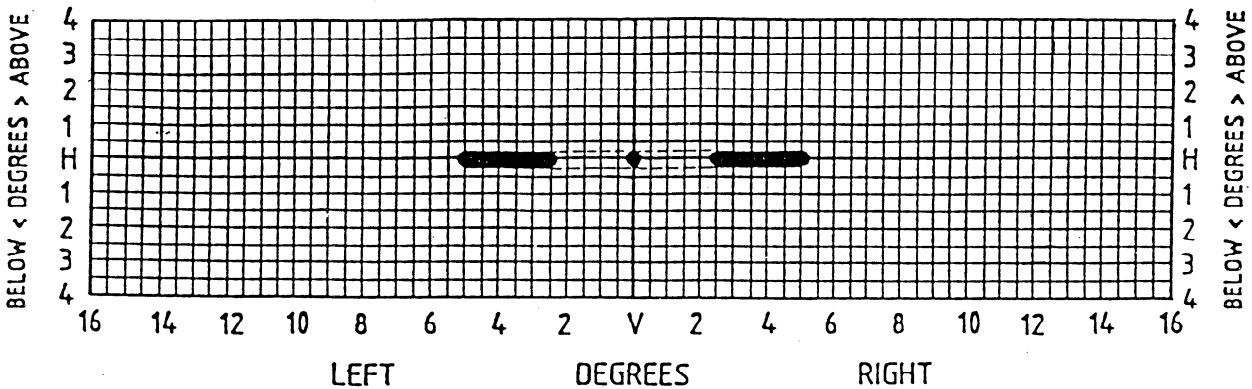
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 MEASURING SCREEN  
 HEADLAMP FOR LEFT HAND TRAFFIC

h-h: horizontal plane )  
 v-v: vertical plane )  
 passing through focus of headlamp  
 dimensions in mm

Lux measured at 25m

Point on measuring screen	REQUIRED ILLUMINATION IN LUX
Headlights for left hand traffic	
Point B 50 R	≤0.3
Point 75 L	≥6
Point 50 L	≥6
Point 25 R	≥1.5
Point 25 L	≥1.5
Any point in Zone III	≤0.7
Any point in Zone IV	≥2
Any point in Zone I	≤20

EUROPE:(ECE R1.01, CORRIGENDUM 1, 18MR86)



Lux measured at 25m

DRIVING BEAM	
TEST POSITION (degrees)	SPECIFIED (lux)
5.1L to 2.6L	4
2.6L to V	16
V	*32
V to 2.6R	16
2.6R to 5.1R	4

The illumination produced on the screen by the driving beam shall meet the following requirements:

The point of intersection HV of the lines hh and vv shall be situated within the isolux 90% of maximum illumination. This maximum value shall not be less than \*32 lux.

Starting from point HV, horizontally to the right and left, illumination shall be not less than 16 lux up to a distance of 1.125 m and not less than 4 lux up to a distance of 2.25 m. (Where the flux of the standard filament lamp used for measurements is other than 700 lumens, the measurements as taken must be corrected proportionally to the ratio of the fluxes.)

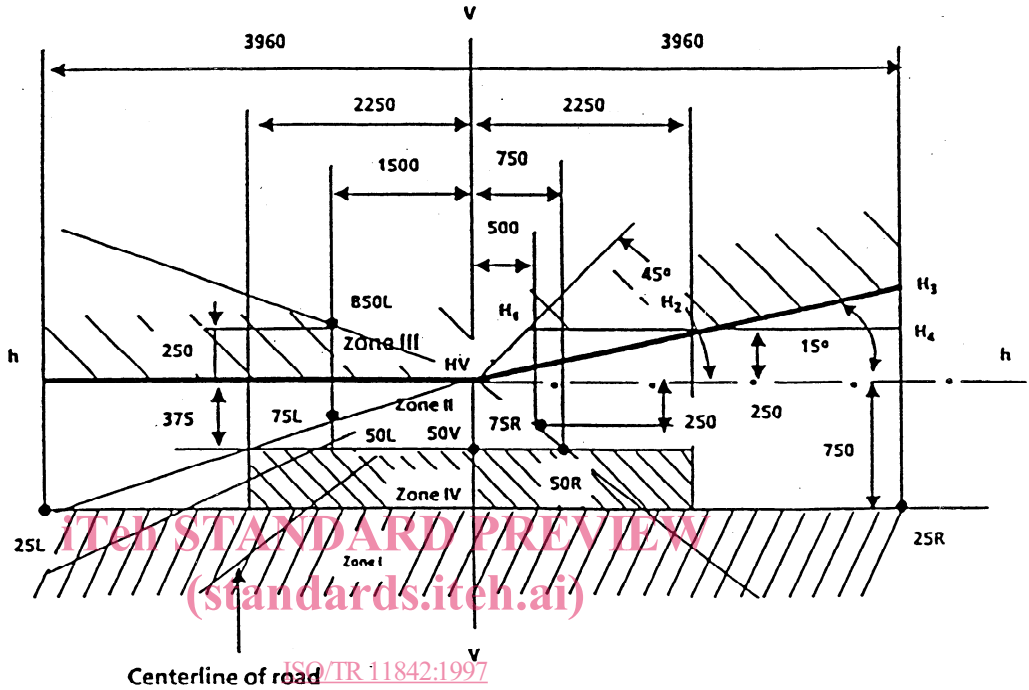
(e) The screen illumination values mentioned under (c) and (d) shall be measured by means of a photo-electric cell, the useful area of which shall be contained within a square of 65 mm side.

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MEASURING SCREEN

Headlight for Right-hand Traffic  
STANDARD EUROPEAN BEAM



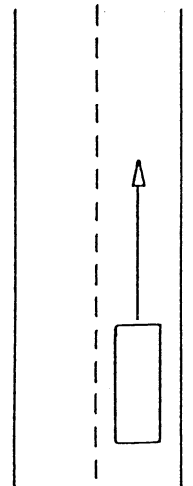
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h-h : horizontal plane  
v-v : vertical plane ) → passing through focus of headlight

Dimensions in mm

Lux measured at 25m

POINT ON MEASURING SCREEN	REQUIRED ILLUMINATION IN LUX
HEADLAMPS FOR RIGHT-HAND TRAFFIC	
Point B 50L	≤ 0.3
" 75 R	≥ 12
" 75 L	≤ 12
" 50 L	≤ 15
" 50 R	≥ 12
" 50 V	≥ 6
" 25 L	≥ 2
" 25 R	≥ 2
Any point in Zone III	≤ 0.7
Any point in Zone IV	≥ 3
Any point in Zone I	≤ 2 × E <sub>50R</sub>
E <sub>50R</sub> IS THE ILLUMINATION ACUALLY MEASURED.	

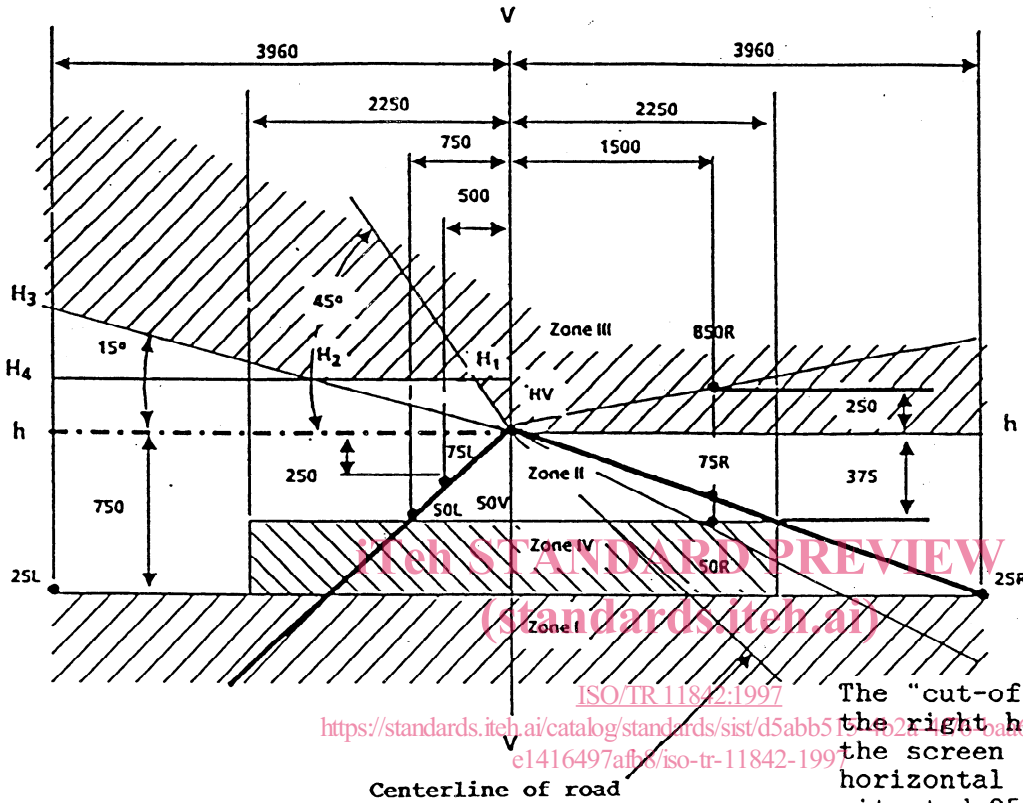


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Headlight for Left-hand Traffic

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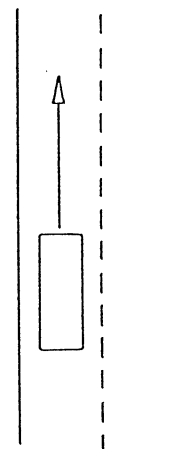
h-h : horizontal plane  
 v-v : vertical plane

passing through focus of headlight

Dimensions in mm

Lux measured at 25m

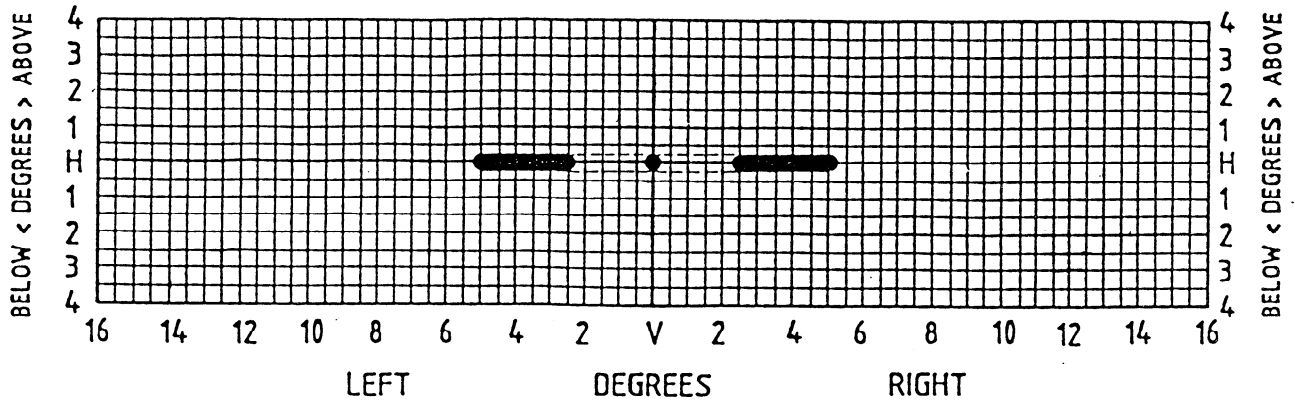
POINT ON MEASURING SCREEN		REQUIRED ILLUMINATION IN LUX
HEADLAMPS FOR LEFT-HAND TRAFFIC		
Point B	50R	≤0.3
"	75 L	≥12
"	75 R	≤12
"	50 R	≤15
"	50 L	≥12
"	50 V	≥6
"	25 R	≥2
"	25 L	≥2
Any point in Zone III		≤0.7
Any point in Zone IV		≥3
Any point in Zone I		≤2 x E <sub>50L</sub>
E <sub>50L</sub> IS THE ILLUMINATION ACTUALLY MEASURED.		





EUROPE:(ECE R8.02 AS AMENDED BY R8.04)

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Lux measured at 25m

DRIVING BEAM		
TEST POSITION (degrees)		SPECIFIED (lux)
H	5.1L to 2.6L	6
	2.6L to V	24
	V	*48
	V to 2.6R	24
	2.6R to 5.1R	6
MAXIMUM		240

6.3.2.1. The point of intersection (HV) of the lines hh and vv shall be situated within the isolux representing 80 percent of maximum illumination. This maximum value ( $E_M$ ) shall be not less than \*48 lux. The maximum value shall in no case exceed 240 lux; moreover, in the case of a combined passing and driving headlamp this maximum value shall not be more than 16 times the illumination measured for the passing beam at point 75R (or 75L).

6.3.2.1.1. The maximum luminous intensity ( $I_M$ ) of the driving beam expressed in thousands of candelas shall be calculated by means of the formula  $I_M = 0.625 E_M$

6.3.2.1.2. The reference mark ( $I'_M$ ) indicating this maximum intensity and referred to in paragraph 4.4.2.6. above shall be obtained by means of the formula  $I'_M = \frac{I_M}{3} = 0.208 E_M$  (12)

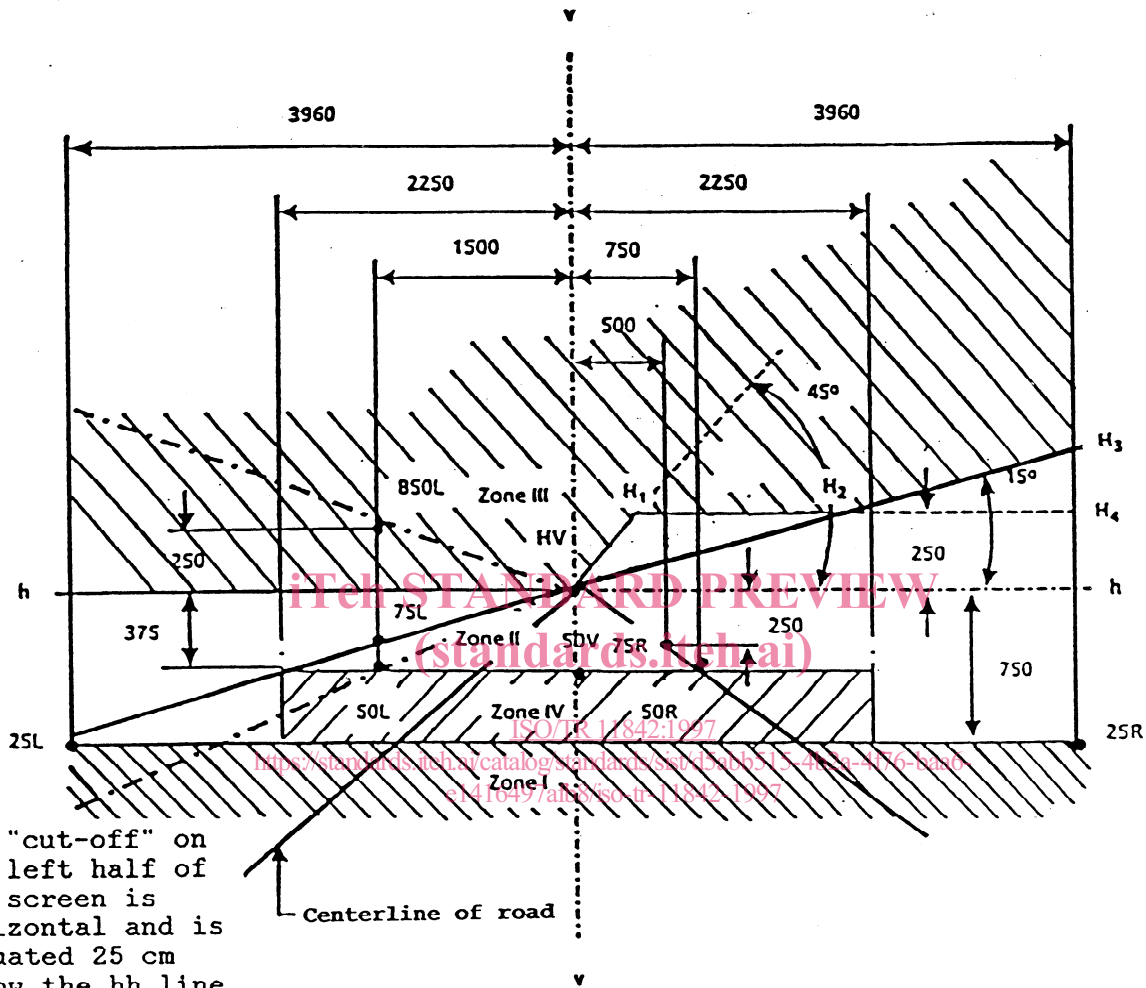
This value shall be rounded to whichever is the nearest of the following: 7.5, 10, 12.5, 17.5, 20, 25, 27.5, 30, 37.5, 40, 45, 50.

6.3.2.2. Starting from point HV, horizontally to the right and left the illumination shall be not less than 24 lux up to a distance of 1.125 m and not less than 6 lux up to a distance of 2.25m.

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Standard European Beam  
Measuring Screen  
Headlamp for right-hand traffic

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h-h: horizontal plane passing through focus of headlamp  
v-v: vertical plane

Dimensions in mm

Point of measuring screen Headlights for righthand traffic	REQUIRED ILLUMINATION IN LUX
Point B 50 L	≤ 0.4
Point 75 R	≥ 12
Point 75 L	≤ 12
Point 50 L	≤ 15
Point 50 R	≥ 12
Point 50 V	≥ 6
Point 25 L	≥ 2
Point 25 R	≥ 2
Any point in Zone III	≤ 0.7
Any point in zone IV	≥ 3
Any point in Zone I	≤ 2 x E50R

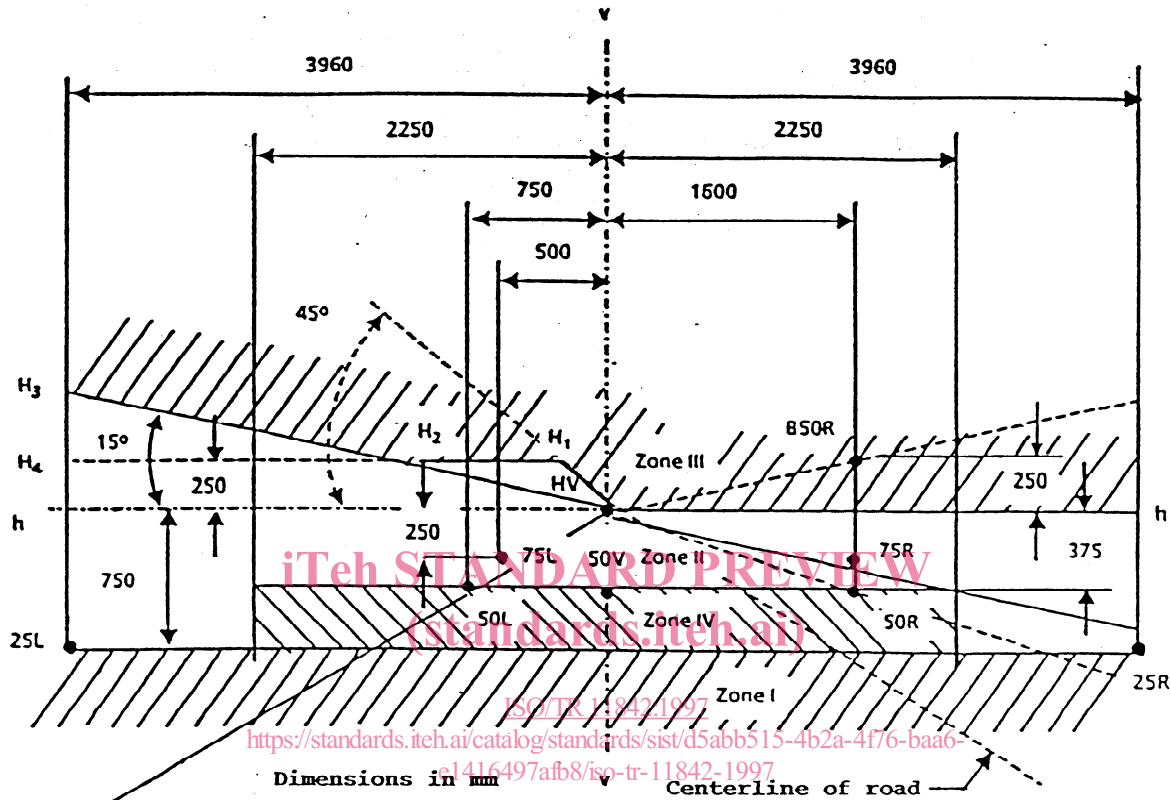
Lux measured at 25m

E50R is the illumination actually measured.

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Measuring Screen  
Headlamp for left-hand traffic



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v-v: vertical plane

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Point of measuring screen Headlights for lefthand traffic	REQUIRED ILLUMINATION IN LUX
Point B 50 R	<0.4
Point 75 L	≥12
Point 75 R	<12
Point 50 R	<15
Point 50 L	≥12
Point 50 V	>6
Point 25 R	>2
Point 25 L	≥2
Any point in Zone III	<0.7
Any point in Zone IV	≥3
Any point in Zone I	≤ 2 × E50L

E50L is the illumination actually measured

