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## 4-3 Cornering lamps

### Reasons for rejection

#### Permitted equipment

1. A forklift is fitted with:
  - a) only one lamp, or
  - b) more than one pair of lamps, or
  - c) a lamp that either:
    - i. was not originally fitted by the forklift manufacturer, or
    - ii. is not fitted in the original position.

#### Condition

2. A lamp is insecure.
3. A lens is missing, or has a hole, crack or other damage that allows moisture or dirt to enter.
4. A lamp's reflector is damaged or has deteriorated so that light output is reduced.

#### Performance

5. When activated by switching on the direction indicator lamp or by turning the steering wheel, a cornering lamp does not:
  - a) operate, or
  - b) project in the direction of the turn.
6. A cornering lamp emits light that is:
  - a) not substantially white or amber, or
  - b) not approximately equal in colour or intensity to the other lamp in a pair, or
  - c) not steady, or
  - d) not bright enough to illuminate the road ahead in the direction of the turn, eg due to modification, deterioration, dirt or an incorrect light source, or
  - e) too bright, causing dazzle to other road users, eg due to an incorrect light source or misalignment.
7. Where a cornering lamp comprises an array of light sources (eg LEDs), fewer than 75% of these operate.

## Note 1

**Cornering lamp** means a lamp that is designed to emit light at the front of a vehicle to supplement the vehicle's headlamps by illuminating the road ahead in the direction of the turn.

# Summary of legislation

## Applicable legislation

- [Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting 2004](#).

## Permitted equipment

1. One pair of cornering lamps fitted by the forklift manufacturer.

## Condition

2. A cornering lamp must be in sound condition.

## Performance

3. A cornering lamp must operate in a way that is appropriate for the lamp and the vehicle.
4. A cornering lamp must emit light that is substantially white or amber.
5. A pair of cornering lamps must emit light that is approximately equal in colour and intensity.
6. A cornering lamp must emit a steady light.
7. A cornering lamp must provide sufficient light output to illuminate the road ahead in the direction of the turn.
8. A cornering lamp must be correctly aligned.
9. Where a cornering lamp comprises an array of light sources (eg LEDs), at least 75% of these must operate.