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Sidemarker Lamps for Use on Road Vehicles Less Than 2032 mm in Overall Width

1. Scope—This SAE Standard provides test procedures, requirements, and guidelines for sidemarker lamps for vehicles less than 2032 mm in overall width.

1.1 Rationale—This document has been reaffirmed to comply with the SAE 5-Year Review policy.

2. References

2.1 Applicable Publications—The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise indicated, the latest issue of SAE publications shall apply.

2.1.1 SAE PUBLICATIONS—Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

SAE J567—Lamp Bulb Retention System

SAE J575—Test Methods and Equipment for Lighting Devices and Components for Use on Vehicles Less than 2032 mm in Overall Width

SAE J576—Plastic Materials for Use in Optical Parts Such as Lenses and Reflex Reflectors of Motor Vehicle Lighting Devices

SAE J578—Color Specification

SAE J759—Lighting Identification Code

SAE J1889—L.E.D. Lighting Devices

SAE J2042—Clearance, Sidemarker, and Identification Lamps for Use on Motor Vehicles 2032 mm or More in Overall Width

SAE J2139—Test for Lighting Devices and Components used on Vehicles 2032 mm or More in Overall Width

2.2 Related Publications—The following publications are provided for information purposes only and are not a required part of this document.

2.2.1 SAE PUBLICATIONS—Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

SAE J387—Terminology—Motor Vehicle Lighting

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2.2.2 NHTSA PUBLICATION—Available from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Mail Stop: SSOP, Washington, DC 20402-9371. www.nhtsa.dot.gov.

Code of Federal Regulations 49 - Part 571.108 FMVSS 108

3. Definitions

3.1 **Sidemarkers Lamps**—Lighting devices used to indicate the presence and length of the vehicle when viewed from the side.

4. **Lighting Identification Code**—Sidemarkers lamps which meet the requirements of this document may be identified by the code "P2" in accordance with SAE J759.

5. Tests

5.1 SAE J575 and SAE J1889 are a part of this document. The following tests are applicable with the modifications as indicated. Alternatively, sidemarkers lamps may be tested according to SAE J2139.

5.1.1 VIBRATION

5.1.2 MOISTURE

5.1.3 DUST

5.1.4 CORROSION

5.1.5 PHOTOMETRY

5.1.5.1 The photometric tests shall be made at a distance of at least 3 m between the lighting device and the photometer.

5.1.5.2 The H-V axis of a sidemarkers lamp in a position as it will be mounted on a vehicle shall be taken as perpendicular to a vertical plane passing through the longitudinal axis of the vehicle.

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5.2 **Color**—SAE J578 is a part of this document.

5.3 **Plastic Materials**—SAE J576 is part of this document.

6. Requirements

6.1 **Performance Requirements**—The device when tested in accordance with the test procedures of this document shall meet the requirements of SAE J575 and, if applicable, SAE J1889. Alternatively, if tested according to SAE J2139, sidemarkers lamps shall meet the requirements of SAE J2139.

NOTE—Sidemarkers conforming to requirements of SAE J2042 meet requirements of SAE J592.

6.1.1 VIBRATION

6.1.2 MOISTURE

6.1.3 DUST

6.1.4 CORROSION

6.1.5 PHOTOMETRY

6.1.5.1 The lamp shall be designed to conform to the zone total photometric requirements of Table 1 and its footnotes. The summation of the luminous intensity measurements at the test points in a zone shall be at least the value shown.

TABLE 1—PHOTOMETRIC REQUIREMENTS⁽¹⁾

Zone	Test Points (degrees)		Minimum Luminous Intensity (cd) ⁽²⁾	Minimum Luminous Intensity (cd) ⁽²⁾	Zone Total Luminous Intensity (cd) ⁽³⁾	Zone Total Luminous Intensity (cd) ⁽³⁾
			Red	Yellow	Red	Yellow
I	10U	45L	0.25	0.62	0.75	1.86
	H		0.25	0.62		
	10D		0.25	0.62		
II	10U	V	0.25	0.62	0.75	1.86
	H		0.25	0.62		
	10D		0.25	0.62		
III	10U	45R	0.25	0.62	0.75	1.86
	H		0.25	0.62		
	10D		0.25	0.62		

1. Reduced inboard angle requirements of 6.1.5.2 apply.
2. The measured values at each individual test point shall not be less than 60% of the required minimum value shown for that individual test point location.
3. The sum of the luminous intensity measurements at each test point within a zone shall not be less than the Zone Total Luminous Intensity shown.

6.1.5.2 The inboard angle requirements for sidemarkers may be met alternatively for inboard test points at a distance of 4.6 m from the vehicle on a vertical plane that is perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle and located midway between the front and rear sidemarker lamps.

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6.2 Color

6.2.1 The color of light from front and intermediate sidemarker lamps shall be yellow per SAE J578.

6.2.2 The color of light from rear sidemarker lamps shall be red per SAE J578.

6.3 Plastic Materials Requirements—Plastic materials used in optical parts shall meet the requirements of SAE J576.

6.4 Design Requirements

6.4.1 A sidemarker lamp may be an independent lamp or grouped, combined, or reciprocally incorporated with any other lamp or reflective device if the requirements for sidemarker lamp and the associated equipment are met.