

# 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> <u>SWEDEN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Vägverket (Swedish National Road Administration) <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> Kommerskollegium (Swedish National Board of Trade)
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>
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Swedish National Road Administration's regulations on national type-approval of vehicles (37 pages, in Swedish)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The regulation contains provisions concerning national type-approval of vehicles. The new regulation replaces the existing provisions concerning type-approval according to the former Vehicle Decree (1972:595). The following important changes have been introduced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· The provisions are similar to EC type-approval of whole vehicles.</li><li>· The Swedish National Road Administration will issue type-approval.</li><li>· Type-approval can only be issued to the manufacturer.</li><li>· The manufacturer must have a quality assurance system that has been checked and approved.</li><li>· The production will be subject to regular inspections.</li></ul>
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The new regulation has been prepared as a result of a new Vehicle Act (2002:574) and a new Vehicle Ordinance (under notification according to directive 98/34/EC) which are being introduced in Sweden.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> Vehicle Act (2002:574) Vehicle Ordinance (under notification according to directive 98/34/EC)
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 20 March 2003 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 May 2003
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 10 January 2003
11.	<b>Texts available from:</b> National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: