

### **The Use of Camera Monitor System (or “Digital Mirrors”) in Vehicles**

There have been Camera Monitor Systems (CMSs), or “digital mirrors”, emerging in the market serving the purpose of reflecting mirrors of vehicles in recent years. In accordance with Regulation 39 of Road Traffic (Construction and Maintenance of Vehicles) Regulations, Cap 374A, every vehicle and motor cycle shall be equipped with reflecting mirror(s) enabling driver to become aware of traffic to the rear and on both sides rearward. Replacement of reflecting mirror by CMS is illegal, unless an exemption of the Regulation 39, Cap. 374A is granted by the Transport Department.

Application of exemption of Regulation 39, Cap.374A for replacing reflective mirrors with CMSs can be made by submitting the following documents:

- (1) An application letter detailing the justifications;
- (2) a certificate issued by an independent certification body for the CMS on the compliance of the UNECE Regulation 46 for the concerned model and make of the vehicle; and
- (3) drawings/ documents showing the compliance of functional and safety requirements stipulated under Regulation 39, Cap.374A for reflective mirrors.

The application and the associated documents should be addressed to:

Type Approval Section / Transport Department,  
Kowloon Bay Vehicle Examination Centre,  
2 Cheung Yip Street, Kowloon

Please feel free to contact our Engineer/Vehicle Approval and Planning, (Tel. 3842 5729) if further enquiry is required.