From the Italian Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport to National Traffic police authority

Subject: COVID-19 emergency. Communication from the ECMT Secretariat on the validity of the certificate of roadworthiness (annex 6) and on the use of short-term licences

The ECMT Secretariat has communicated that the member countries of the multilateral treaty have taken a common position on the mutual recognition of the validity of the expired documents (see subject) and that - in relation to the emergency situation - it has not been possible to renew, or that expire during their use.

In particular, as regards the annual roadworthiness certificate (annex 6) of motor vehicles and trailers whose validity has expired after 12 March, the common position is for the extension of said validity until 30 June 2020, and therefore, these certificates must be considered valid for all purposes until that date.

For short-term licences it was deemed necessary to extend the validity if the vehicle was unable to complete the journey before the original expiration date. Consequently, upon the occurrence of this hypothesis and up to 30 June 2020 the vehicle must be considered allowed to complete the ongoing trips that are in the aforementioned condition.