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<b>Austria</b>	<p>AUTHORISED:</p> <p>- <b>Front side windows</b> clear safety films with a light transmission of 95%. As of April/May 2004, the legislation will be amended to set the light transmission at 85%clear safety film is applicable.</p>	<p>Seek to have this 20% VLT restriction removed and reduce the VLT of safety films from 95% to 87-88% which is more realistic (in terms of what the industry can produce).</p>	
<b>Belgium</b>	<p>AUTHORISED:</p> <p>Provided that the VLT is higher than 70% (this needs to be certified by the Glass Institute).</p> <p>NOT AUTHORISED:</p>		

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<b>Denmark</b>	AUTHORISED: - <b>Windscreen:</b> minimum 75% VLT. - <b>Front side windows:</b> minimum 70% VLT.	New regulation limits VLT to 40% behind the B-pillar since April 2001 (formerly 70%).	The EWFA has had extensive contacts with the Danish authorities to raise the issue of limiting the VLT to 40% behind the B-pillar. The Danish authorities responded that -for many reasons- they did not see the need to withdraw the current requirements. Considering the above, the EWFA filed an official complaint with the European Commission against Denmark, on 27 December 2002 for failure to comply with Community Law in the area of window films on vehicles. The complaint has been registered under the following number: 2003/4152 (Denmark) SG(2003) A/677/2. Commission has drafted a letter to be sent on 30 march 2004. Denmark has two months to reply.
<b>Estonia</b>	ABG-type system (see attached ABG Standard)	ABG-type system (see attached ABG Standard)	-
<b>Finland</b>	AUTHORISED: - <b>Windscreen:</b> minimum 75% VLT. - <b>Front side windows:</b> minimum 70% VLT.	AUTHORISED: <b>Back windscreen:</b> VLT 70% for (M1, M1G-, N1-tai N1G vehicles) provided that there are front mirrors providing sufficient visibility to the rear. If a rear break light, as a compulsory device, has been installed to the back window of the car, it may not be covered with a tinted film.	
<b>France</b>	NOT AUTHORISED: - <b>Windscreen:</b> except for a banner of max. 10 cm at the top, uniform dark tint, for solar protection and small informative labels - <b>Front side windows</b> <b>Films need to be homologated in an appointed laboratory.</b> Applies UN-ECE R43.	AUTHORISED <b>Backside windows and rear window</b> authorised for solar protection only provided that the car is equipped with two side mirrors. Films need to be homologated in an appointed laboratory. Applies UN-ECE R43.	

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Germany	ABG-type system	ABG-type system	-
Greece	The current law states that the transparent parts of a vehicle have to ensure that driver and passengers are visible at all times. It seems that dark tints are prohibited.	The current law states that the transparent parts of a vehicle have to ensure that driver and passengers are visible at all times. It seems that dark tints are prohibited.	The EWFA is currently looking into this situation and will, should the need be confirmed establish contacts again with the Greek authorities
Hungary	AUTHORISED: - <b>Windscreen</b> : minimum 75% VLT. - <b>Front side windows</b> : minimum 70% VLT - <b>Windscreen + front side windows</b> : <b>clear safety</b> films and <b>high UV films</b> that have been homologated by the Hungarian authorities can be used with a VLT of 75%.	AUTHORISED: - <b>Back side windows</b> : minimum 70% VLT (passenger cars) - <b>Back-side windows and rear window</b> without limits of VLT (non-passenger cars) - <b>Windscreen + back side windows</b> : clear safety films and high UV films that have been homologated by the Hungarian authorities can be used with a VLT of 75%  NOT AUTHORISED: - Back windshield	The EWFA has established contacts with the Hungarian authorities with regards to the regulation on rear windows.
Italy	NOT AUTHORISED	AUTHORISED: <b>Back rear and side-window</b> with no VLT limitation provided that the car is equipped with rear-view mirrors on each side. Italy will soon accept ABG certified films (with a translation)	The EWFA has maintained numerous contacts with Italy and has managed to have a new Ministerial Order be adopted in May 2002 as a consequence of the information it has provided (notably re free circulation of goods). Prior to that, there were no uniform rules regulating the use of window films, which were de facto prohibited due to the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 6 of Article 71 of the Italian <i>Codice della strada</i> , which did not allow changes to vehicle components. Window films were thus not explicitly forbidden, but rather indirectly forbidden due to the lack of clear legislation regulating the sector.
Latvia	ABG-type system (see attached ABG Standard)	ABG-type system (see attached ABG Standard)	-

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Lithuania	Will resort to an ABG-type system after accession	Will resort to an ABG-type system after accession	-
Luxembourg	NOT AUTHORISED	AUTHORISED (solar films): <b>Back-side windows</b> without limits of VLT. <b>Rear window</b> without limits of VLT provided that the car is equipped with a rear-view mirror on the right-hand side.	-
	NOT AUTHORISED	AUTHORISED: <b>Back-side windows and rear window</b> without limits of VLT. Provided that the car is equipped with a rear-view mirror on the right-hand side.	

