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Dear Sirs,

Factual Error in the new Highway Code

On behalf of the UK Metric Association, I am writing to you regarding the proposed new edition of the Highway Code.

http://www.dsa.gov.uk/Documents/consult/Responses/Highway_Code_Draft.pdf

We are disappointed that the Driving Standards Agency has chosen not to accept the suggestions that we made in our response to the public consultation.

In particular, that the DSA has chosen not to accept our recommendations for improving the clarity of the Highway Code by the removal of bracketed obsolete imperial conversions of metric values.

We are also disappointed that a graphic imperial-metric speed limit conversion chart has not been added to the new Highway Code, a design for which was submitted in our consultation response.

However, our main purpose for writing at this time is that we feel that it is our duty to point out that the **factual error** in the draft Highway Code that we highlighted in our consultation response still remains uncorrected in the post-consultation draft.

Namely, that the "Metric Conversions" table on page 134 reads;
"60.00 miles = 95.56 kilometres". This should of course read;
"60.00 miles = 96.56 kilometres".

This error is repeated throughout the Highway Code where 60 mph is shown as "60 mph (95 km/h)", instead of the correct conversion "60 mph (96 km/h)". (See rules 123 and 126).

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Hopefully it is not too late for you to correct this error before final publication.

A copy of our original consultation response is attached for your convenience.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary