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**EUROPEAN ROAD MARKING STANDARDS  
APPLICATION POSSIBILITIES AND PROBLEMS  
IN GREECE**

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*ABSTRACT*

The European road marking standards have been applied in Greece since the year 1998; they require common terminology, unified test methods of materials and set criteria for the forming of road marking categories according to their main characteristics (photo technical identities and skid resistance). Other standards define the natural idiosyncrasies, the road marking testing as well as the demands and testing on road studs.

Within the borders of the technical standards each country has the responsibility to reform their national technical standards defining the necessary technical characteristics and the categories of road marking materials that will be used for its road system. The application of the European technical standards in our country offers many possibilities toward the enhancement of the road marking of the Greek road system. Simultaneously though, it faces a number of problems that are related to the substructure of the country in national technical standards, as well as the manning of the road building departments with the appropriate tools that control the road markings.

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