

# FAQs on Colour of Vehicle Lights

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Vehicle Lights	Colour of Lights
Main or driving beam headlamps:	White
Dipped or passing beam headlamps:	White
Front fog lamps:	White or selective yellow
Rear fog lamps:	Red
Direction indicator lamps:	Amber
Rear lamps:	Red
Hazard warning signal lamps:	Amber
Stop lamps:	Red
Reverse lamps:	White
Registration plate lamps:	White
Emergency stop signal lamp:	Amber or Red
Parking lamps:	White in front. Red at rear or amber if lights at the side are included as part of the direction-indicator lamps or in the side-marker lamps
Side-marker lamps: (Trucks only)	Amber, however the rearmost side-marker lamp red if it is included as part of the rear position lamp, the rear end-outline marker lamp, the stop lamp or is grouped or has part of the light emitting surface in common with the rear retro-reflector

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Vehicle Lights	Colour of Lights
<b>End-outline marker lamp:</b>	White in front Red at rear
<b>Daytime Running Lamp (DRL):</b>	White
<b>Rear retro-reflector, triangular/ or non-triangular lamp:</b>	Red
<b>Front retro-reflector, non-triangular lamp:</b>	Should be identical to incident light (white or colourless retro-reflector)
<b>Side retro-reflector, non-triangular lamp:</b>	Amber, however the rearmost side retro-reflector can be red if it is included or part of the light emitting surface in common with the rear position lamp, the rear end-outline marker lamp, the rear fog lamp, the stop-lamp or red rearmost side-marker lamp.
<b>Cornering lamp:</b>	White
<b>Conspicuity Marking:</b>	White or Yellow to the side Red to the rear
<b>Adaptive Front-lighting Systems (AFS):</b>	Red or Yellow to rear