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Extract taken from: In-service certification (WoF and CoF) > Motorcycles > Vision > Rear-view mirrors

5-4 Rear-view mirrors

Reasons for rejection

Mandatory equipment

1. The vehicle is not fitted with at least one rear-view mirror.

Condition

2. A rear-view mirror:

- a) is not mounted securely, or
- b) cannot be adjusted, or
- c) cannot maintain its adjusted position, or
- d) is corroded or dirty, or
- e) is damaged so that it increases the risk of injury to vehicle occupants.

Performance

3. A rear-view mirror:

- a) does not provide a clear view to the rear of the vehicle, or
- b) is not sufficiently isolated from vibrations.

Modifications

4. Additional rear-view mirrors have been fitted or a modification affects rear-view mirrors, and:

a) is not excluded from the requirements for LVV specialist certification (Table 5-4-1), and

b) is missing proof of LVV specialist **or accepted overseas** certification, ie:

- i. the vehicle is not fitted with a valid LVV certification plate, or
- ii. the operator is not able to produce a valid modification declaration or authority card **, or**
- iii. **the vehicle has not been certified to an accepted overseas system as described in [Technical bulletin 13](#)**

Table 5-4-1. Modifications that do not require LVV certification

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification is never required:
Additional or substituted rear-view mirrors, or removal of a non-mandatory mirror	• in-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.
Any modification for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services	

Summary of legislation

Applicable legislation

- [Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999.](#)

Mandatory equipment

1. A vehicle must be fitted with at least one rear-view mirror.

Permitted equipment

2. Additional rear-view mirrors may be fitted.

Condition

3. A rear-view mirror must be:
 - a) securely attached so that the risk of injury is minimised, and
 - b) mounted so that vibration does not inhibit the driver's required clear view to the rear, and
 - c) sufficiently adjustable, and able to maintain its position.

Performance

4. A rear-view mirror must provide a clear view to the rear of:
 - a) the motor vehicle itself, and
 - b) the vehicle's load, and
 - c) any towed trailer and its load.
5. A rear-view mirror must be sufficiently isolated from vibrations.

Modifications

6. The fitting of additional rear-view mirrors, or a modification that affects rear-view mirrors must be inspected and certified by an LVV specialist certifier, unless the vehicle:
 - a) is excluded from the requirement for LVV specialist certification (Table 5-4-1), and

b) has been inspected in accordance with the requirements in this manual, including those for equipment, condition and performance.

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