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5-4 Rear-view mirrors

Reasons for rejection

Mandatory equipment

1. A 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.

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 a 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 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.