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5-1 Seats and seat anchorages

Reasons for rejection

1. The vehicle is not fitted with a driver's seat.
2. An OE seat is missing or not fitted.
3. A seat is not attached to the vehicle structure by seat anchorages.
4. Damage or corrosion has weakened a seat frame.
5. The attachment of the seat to the seat anchorage is loose or weakened by damage.
6. The attachment of the seat anchorage to the vehicle structure is loose or weakened by damage (see [Technical bulletin 1](#) for further information on corrosion in Nissan Terrano or Mistral rear floorpan assemblies).
7. A seat frame has been repaired when this is prohibited by the manufacturer.
8. A seat has not been replaced after the seatbelt pre-tensioner system has been activated when this is required by the manufacturer's specifications.
9. A replacement seat has been used instead of an OE seat, and:
 - a) the seat is not fitted to unmodified OE seat anchorages, or
 - b) the relationship between the seat, seat occupant and location of the seatbelt anchorages has been affected, or
 - c) the replacement seat is not similar to the OE seat, that is a bench seat or bucket seats.

Summary of legislation

Applicable legislation

- [Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Repair 1998](#), 2.1(1)
- [Land Transport Rule: Seats and Seat Anchorages 2002](#).

Condition

1. A repair to a vehicle, its structure, systems, components or equipment must restore the damaged or worn vehicle, structure, system, component or equipment so that it is within safe tolerance of the state of the vehicle, structure, system, component or equipment when manufactured.

Mandatory equipment

2. A motor vehicle must be fitted with a driver's seat.

3. A seat in a motor vehicle must be fitted to the vehicle structure by means of seat anchorages.

Performance

4. Seats and seat anchorages must be safe, strong and in sound condition.

5. Seats and seat anchorages must be securely attached to the vehicle structure.

6. A replacement seat that is similar to the OE seat may be used provided that:

a) the seat is fitted to unmodified OE seat anchorages

b) the relationship between the seat, seat occupant and location of the seatbelt anchorages has not been affected.