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Extract taken from: Heavy vehicle specialist certification > Structure > PSV roof racks

4-5 PSV roof racks

Certifier categories: **HVEC** | **HMCD**

Reasons for rejection

- 1 The roof rack fitted to a PSV is not fitted and rated for that particular make and model of PSV, or
2. The roof rack fitted to a PSV is not rated and certified by a person authorised by the Agency to do so.
3. The roof-rack does not have a sign or plate on the left-hand side stating:
 - a) the purpose of the roof-rack, if other than for general baggage, or
 - b) the maximum weight it is allowed to carry, or
 - c) the manufacturer of the roof-rack, or
 - d) either of the following:
 - i. identification of the passenger service vehicle to which it is fitted (make, model and registration number, or Vehicle Identification Number, or chassis number), or
 - ii. if rated and certified either by the vehicle manufacturer or by a person authorised by the NZTA to do so, for a vehicle model, the plate need not identify the individual vehicle, but must identify the approval for that vehicle model
4. A PSV fitted with a roof rack has been certified that it meets the static tilt requirements and the roof rack was not fully laden.

Summary of legislation

Applicable legislation

- [Land Transport Rule: Passenger Service Vehicles 1999](#)

Passenger Service Vehicles 1999 (section 7)

Roof-racks

1. The roof-rack must:
 - a) be fitted and rated as appropriate for that particular make and model of passenger service vehicle, or
 - b) be rated and certified by a person authorised by the NZTA to do so, and fitted in accordance with that authorised person's instructions.
2. The roof-rack must have a sign or plate on the left-hand side stating:

a) the purpose of the roof-rack, if other than for general baggage, and

b) the maximum weight it is allowed to carry, and

c) the manufacturer of the roof-rack, and

d) either of the following:

i. identification of the passenger service vehicle to which it is fitted (make, model and registration number, or Vehicle Identification Number, or chassis number), or

ii. if rated and certified either by the vehicle manufacturer or by a person authorised by the NZTA to do so, for a vehicle model, the plate need not identify the individual vehicle, but must identify the approval for that vehicle model

3. A motor vehicle which entered service as a passenger service vehicle in New Zealand on or after 1 July 2000 and is fitted with a roof rack must meet the stability requirements under the following conditions of static tilt:

- The roof-rack must be loaded with the maximum permitted load (see [section 7-2](#)).