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## 17 Seatbelt and seatbelt anchorage standards for heavy motor vehicles

### Vehicle inspection requirements manual references

This bulletin gives guidance to vehicle inspectors in applying the following requirements in the *VIRM: Entry certification*:

- [Vehicle interior – 7-5 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages: Reasons for rejection 3 and 4](#)

### Application

This bulletin applies to heavy motor vehicles undergoing entry certification in New Zealand.

### Inspection

[Land Transport Rule: Seatbelts and Seatbelt Anchorages](#) requires class NB and NC vehicles manufactured on or after 1 October 2003 to be fitted with seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages as follows:

Seating position	Type of seatbelt required	Type of anchorage required
Driver	A-ELR (Note 2)	3 or 4 point anchorage
Front outer	A-ELR (Note 2)	3 or 4 point anchorage
Front middle	Lap seatbelt	2 point anchorage
Rear outer	Not applicable	Not applicable
Rear middle	Not applicable	Not applicable

Seatbelts must meet one of the standards contained in [Table 7-5-1](#) of the *VIRM: Entry certification*. Seatbelt anchorages must comply with one of the standards contained in [Table 7-5-3](#) of the *VIRM: Entry certification*.

#### Note 1

For the purposes of 2.1(5)(d) of the Rule, manufactured means original manufacture by the source plant. It has nothing to do with any subsequent remanufacture/rebuild/modification/retrofit/vehicle class change. A vehicle originally manufactured before 1 October 2003 will never be required to comply with the requirements in Table 2.4 of the Rule.

**Note 2**

If a vehicle is fitted with an OE single-sensitive emergency locking retractor lap and diagonal seatbelt, it may remain fitted if it has a plate affixed to the vehicle (see Figure 17-1-1).

**Figure 17-1-1. Example of a plate fitted to a vehicle that may retain a single-sensitive seatbelt**



**Standards compliance**

The [Motor Industry Association \(MIA\)](#) has obtained the relevant information from its members so that entry certifiers will not need to request a statement of compliance for individual vehicles. Information regarding compliance with approved seatbelt and seatbelt anchorage standards for heavy motor vehicles distributed by the MIA and sold through its franchise dealer network has been supplied for the makes and models listed on the following page.

<b>Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Seatbelt</b>	<b>Seatbelt Anchorage</b>
Caterpillar	CT610, CT630	ADR 4	ADR 5
DAF		ECE R16	ECE R14
Ford		EEC77/541	ECE R14
Foton		ADR 4	ADR 5
Freightliner	Argosy, Columbia, Century Class, Coronado	FMVSS 209 or ADR 4	FMVSS 210 or ADR 5
Fuso	Canter/Fighter , Shogun Euro 6 Rosa/ HD Enduro, MP	ADR 4 Japan Technical Standards ECE R16	ADR 5 Japan Technical Standards ECE R14
Hino		ECE R16	ADR 5
Hyundai	HD Series	ECE R16	ECE R14
International		FMVSS 209	FMVSS 210
Isuzu	N series F series FX series C & E Series	ADR 4 ECE R16 ECE R16 Japan Technical Standards Or ECE R16	ADR 5 ECE R14 ECE R14 Japan Technical Standards Or ECE R14
Iveco	Stralis, Powerstar & ACCO Daily & Eurocargo Trakker	ADR 4 ECE R16 ECE R16	ADR 5 ECE R14 ECE R14
Kenworth		ADR 4	ADR 5

Make	Model	Seatbelt	Seatbelt Anchorage
Mack		Information contained on compliance plate fitted to the vehicle	
MAN		ECE R16	ECE R14
Mercedes-Benz		ECE R16	ECE R14
Mitsubishi Fuso	Canter/Fighter Rosa/Shogun	ADR 4 Japan Technical Standards	ADR 5 Japan Technical Standards
Nissan Diesel		ADR 4	ADR 5
Renault		Information contained on compliance plate fitted to the vehicle	
RAM	2500 Laramie, 3500 Laramie	ADR 04/05	ADR 05/05
Scania		EEC e4*77/541	EEC e4*76/115
Sterling	LT9500, LT7500	FMVSS 209	FMVSS 210
UD Trucks		ADR 4/04	ADR 5/05
Volkswagen		ECE R16	ECE R14
Volvo		Information contained on compliance plate fitted to the vehicle	
Western Star		FMVSS 209	ADR 5

- If an entry certifier is presented with a vehicle not covered above, and proof of compliance cannot be established by approved methods, they should contact the vehicle manufacturer directly.
- A heavy vehicle previously registered in the European Union **or United Kingdom** complies with the seatbelt anchorage standards for heavy vehicles if the vehicle is registered on or after 1 January 2009.

