# Euro NCAP test protocol

# Pole Side Impact

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#### 2 VEHICLE PREPARATION

#### 2.1 Unladen Kerb Mass

- 2.1.1 The capacity of the fuel tank will be specified in the manufacturer's booklet. This volume will be referred to throughout as the "fuel tank capacity".
- 2.1.2 Siphon most of the fuel from the tank and then run the car until it has run out of fuel.
- 2.1.3 Refill the tank with fuel, water or other ballast to a mass equivalent to 100% of the tank's capacity of fuel.
- 2.1.4 Check the oil level and top up to its maximum level if necessary. Similarly, top up the levels of all other fluids to their maximum levels if necessary.
- 2.1.5 Ensure that the vehicle has its spare wheel on board along with any tools supplied with the vehicle. Nothing else should be in the car.
- 2.1.6 Ensure that all tyres are inflated according to the manufacturer's instructions for half load.
- 2.1.7 Measure the front and rear axle masses and determine the total mass of the vehicle. The total mass is the 'unladen kerb mass' of the vehicle. Record this mass in the test details.
- 2.1.8 Measure and record the ride heights of the vehicle at all four wheels.

#### 2.2 Rated cargo and luggage mass

2.2.1 Calculate the rated cargo and luggage mass as follows: Subtract the measured unladen kerb mass and the rated occupants mass from the maximum permitted laden mass.
The rated occupant mass is equal to rated number of occupants times 68 kg. The maximum permitted laden mass can be found on the Manufacturer's Plate, usually in the engine compartment.

#### 2.3 Reference Loads

- 2.3.1 Place both front seats in their mid-positions, this may not be the same. If there is no notch at this position, set the seat in the nearest notch rearward (this will be done more completely in Section 6.2).
- 2.3.2 Place weights equivalent to a EuroSID-1 test dummy (80 kg) in the front driver's seating position.
- 2.3.3 Place weights with a mass of the rated cargo and luggage mass or 136 kg whichever is less, in the luggage compartment of the vehicle. The normal luggage compartment should be used i.e. rear seats should not be folded to increase the luggage capacity. Spread the weights as evenly as possible over the base of the luggage compartment. If the weights can not be evenly distributed, concentrate weights towards the centre of the compartment.
- 2.3.4 Roll the vehicle back and forth to 'settle' the tyres and suspension with the extra weights on board. Determine the front and rear axle loads of the vehicle. These loads are the "axle reference loads" and the total mass is the "reference mass" of the vehicle.
- 2.3.5 Record the axle reference loads and reference mass in the test details.
- 2.3.6 Measure and record the ride-heights of the vehicle at a point on the wheel arch in the same transverse plane as the wheel centres. Do this for all four wheels.
- 2.3.7 Remove the weights from the luggage compartment and the dummy weights from the front seat.

#### 2.4 Impact location

To measure vehicle dimensions and to apply markers, a pointer used to measure co-ordinates in three dimensions will be used.

- 2.4.1 The impact reference line is a line on the striking side of the vehicle, on the exterior of the vehicle, where a transverse vertical plane passes through the centre of gravity of the head of the dummy seated in accordance with section 7.3.
- 2.4.2 Mark the impact reference line on the side of the vehicle on the exterior, from roof to sill.
- 2.4.3 Using a piece of sticky tape in a colour to contrast with the body-colour, join the points with one edge of the tape. Mark clearly on the tape which of its edges aligns with the impact reference line. This edge may be used to assess the alignment of the vehicle with the pole.
- 2.4.4 Measure and record the X-distance of the line to the centre of the front wheel axle, or any distinctive reference point.

#### 2.5 Vehicle Preparation

Care should be taken during vehicle preparation that the ignition is not switched on with the battery or any airbag or pretensioner disconnected. This will result in an airbag warning light coming on and the airbag system will need to be reset. Manufacturers will be asked to provide instructions for resetting the airbag so that this may be done 'in-house' in the event that it becomes necessary.

- 2.5.1 Remove the carpeting, spare wheel and any tools or jack from the luggage area. [The spare wheel should only be removed if it will not effect the crash performance of the vehicle.]
- 2.5.2 Ensure that a live battery is connected, if possible in its standard position. Check that the dashboard light for the airbag circuit functions as normal.
- 2.5.3 Fit the on-board data acquisition equipment in the boot of the car. Also fit any associated cables, cabling boxes and power sources.
- 2.5.4 Place weights with a mass of approximately the rated cargo and luggage mass in the luggage area.
- 2.5.5 Place weights equivalent to a EuroSID-1 dummy (80 kg) in the front driver's seat of the car (with the front seats in their mid-positions).
- 2.5.6 Weigh the front and rear axle loads of the vehicle. Compare these loads with those determined in Section 2.3.5.
- 2.5.7 The total vehicle mass shall be within 1% of the reference mass (Section 2.3.5). Each axle load shall be within the smaller of 5% or 20 kg of its respective axle reference load. If the vehicle differs from the requirements given in this paragraph, items may be removed or added to the vehicle which have no influence on its structural crash performance. The levels of ballast in the fuel tank (equivalent in mass to 90% capacity of fuel) may also be adjusted to help achieve the desired axle loads. Any items added to increase the vehicle mass should be securely attached to the car.
- 2.5.8 Repeat Sections 2.5.6 and 2.5.7 until the front and rear axle loads and the total vehicle mass are within the limits set in 2.5.7. Record the final axle loads in the test details.

#### 2.6 Vehicle Markings

- 2.6.1 Euro NCAP markings will be attached to the exterior of the vehicle in the following locations; centre of the bonnet and on the front half of the roof of the vehicle.
- 2.6.2 Test house logos may be added to the vehicle provided that they do not detract attention from the Euro NCAP markings. Suitable locations for such markings would be the lower half of the rear doors and on the bonnet at the base of the windscreen.

#### 3 DUMMY PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION

#### 3.1 General

3.1.1 A EuroSID-1 test dummy should be used in the front driver's position. It should conform to the requirements given in Appendix 3 of Annex II of EC Directive 96/27/EC

#### 3.2 Certification

- 3.2.1 Full details of the EuroSID-1 certification requirements are available in Appendix 3 of Annex II of EC Directive 96/27/EC and the procedures followed are set out in the TNO EuroSID-1 Training Manual.
- 3.2.2 The EuroSID dummy should be re-certified after every THREE impact tests.
- 3.2.3 If an injury criterion reaches or exceeds its normally accepted limit (e.g. HIC of 1000) then that part should be re-certified.
- 3.2.4 If any part of a dummy is broken in a test then the part shall be replaced with a fully certified component.
- 3.2.5 A copy of the dummy certification certificate will be provided as part of the full report for a test

#### 3.3 Additions and Modifications to the EuroSID-1 Dummy

3.3.1 The dummy will have a torso back load cell fitted (see section 4.1). [It is also intended to fit a spine load cell.]

#### 3.4 Dummy Clothing and Footwear

- 3.4.1 The dummy will be clothed in a rubber 'wet-suit', covering the shoulders, thorax, upper parts of the arms, abdomen and lumbar spine and the upper part of the pelvis. This rubber suit will act as a nominal 'skin' for the dummy torso.
- 3.4.2 The dummy will be clothed with formfitting, calf-length, cotton stretch pants. Each foot will be equipped with a shoe.

#### 3.5 Dummy Test Condition

- 3.5.1 Dummy Temperature
- 3.5.1.1 The dummy shall have a stabilised temperature in the range of 18°C to 26°C.
- 3.5.1.2 A stabilised temperature shall be obtained by soaking the dummy in temperatures that are within the range specified above for at least 5 hours prior to the test.
- 3.5.1.3 Measure the temperature of the dummy using a recording electronic thermometer placed inside the dummy's flesh. The temperature should be recorded at intervals not exceeding 10 minutes.
- 3.5.1.4 A printout of the temperature readings is to be supplied as part of the standard output of the test.
- 3.5.2 Dummy Joints
- 3.5.2.1 Stabilise the dummy temperature by soaking in the required temperature range for at least 5 hours.
- 3.5.2.2 Set the torque on the shoulder screws to 0.6 Nm
- 3.5.2.3 For adjustable joints in the legs, the tensioning screw or bolt which acts on the constant friction surfaces should be adjusted until the joint can just hold the adjoining limb in the

- horizontal. When a small downwards force is applied and then removed, the limb should continue to fall.
- 3.5.2.4 The dummy joint stiffnesses should be set as close as possible to the time of the test and, in any case, not more than 24 hours before the test.
- 3.5.2.5 As far as possible, maintain the dummy temperature within the range 18 to 26 °C between the time of setting the limbs and the time of the test.

#### 3.6 Dummy painting

1.1.1 The dummies should have masking tape placed on the areas to be painted using the size table below. The tape should be completely covered with the following coloured paints. The paint should be applied close to the time of the test to ensure that the paint will still be wet on impact.

EuroSID			
Head	Red	100mm square, centreline of head with lower edge at	
		C of G. Only paint outer edge of tape.	
Shoulder/Arm	Blue	25mm x 150mm, starting at bottom edge of shoulder	
		fixing hole	
Top Rib	Red	150mm strip, starting at the rearmost accessible point	
_		at seat back	
Mid Rib	Yellow	150mm strip, starting at the rearmost accessible point	
		at seat back	
Bottom Rib	Green	150mm strip, starting at the rearmost accessible point	
		at seat back	
Abdomen	Red	50mm square	
Pelvis	Orange	50mm x 100mm, centred on hip joint point.	

NOTE: The tape should be completely covered with the coloured paints specified.

#### 3.7 Post Test Dummy Inspection

3.7.1 The dummy should be visually inspected immediately after the test. Any lacerations of the skin or breakages of the dummy should be noted in the test details. The dummy may have to be re-certified in this case. Refer to Section 3.2.

#### 4 INSTRUMENTATION

All instrumentation shall be calibrated before the test programme. The Channel Amplitude Class (CAC) for each transducer shall be chosen to cover the Minimum Amplitude listed in the table. In order to retain sensitivity, CAC's which are orders of magnitude greater than the Minimum Amplitude should not be used. A transducer shall be re-calibrated if it reaches its CAC during any test. All instrumentation shall be re-calibrated after one year, regardless of the number of tests for which it has been used. A list of instrumentation along with calibration dates should be supplied as part of the standard results of the test. The transducers are mounted according to procedures laid out in SAE J211. The sign convention used for configuring the transducers is stated in SAE J211 (1995).

#### 4.1 **Dummy Instrumentation**

The EuroSID-1 dummy to be used shall be instrumented to record the channels listed below.

Location	Parameter	Minimum Amplitude	No of channels
Head	Accelerations	500 g	3
Ticua	$A_x A_y A_z$	300 8	3
Thorax T1	Accelerations	200 g	3
THOTAX TT		200 g	3
Dila Hanan	$A_x A_y A_z$ Accelerations	700 ~	3
Ribs - Upper,		700 g	3
Middle	Ay	0.0	2
& Lower	Deflections	90 mm	3
	D <sub>rib</sub>		
Torso Back	Forces	5 kN	2
	$F_x F_y$		
	Moments	200 Nm	2
	$M_y M_z$		
Thorax T12	Accelerations	200 g	1
	$A_{v}$		
[Lower spine T12	Forces	14 kN	2]
•	$F_x F_v$		_
	Moments	1000 Nm	2]
	$M_x M_y$		,
Abdomen - Front	Forces	5 kN	3
Middle	$F_{\rm v}$	, <u> </u>	
& Rear	- y		
Pelvis	Accelerations	150 g	3
101,10	$A_x A_y A_z$	150 5	
Pubic Symphysis	Forces	20 kN	1
i doic bympnysis	F <sub>v</sub>	20 KIV	1
	Total Channels per Dummy		<b>24</b> [28]

#### 4.2 Vehicle Instrumentation

4.2.1 The vehicle is to be fitted with an accelerometer on the unstruck B-post. The accelerometer is to be fitted in the lateral direction  $(A_v)$ .

- 4.2.2 Remove carpet and the necessary interior trim to gain access to the sill directly below the B-post.
- 4.2.3 Securely attach a mounting plate for the accelerometer horizontally on to the sill.
- 4.2.4 Fix the accelerometer to the mounting plate. Ensure the accelerometer is horizontal to a tolerance of  $\pm$  5 degree.

Location	Parameter	Minimum	No of channels
		Amplitude	
B-Post non-impact	Accelerations	350 g	1
side	$A_{y}$		
	Total Channels per Vehicle		1

#### **4.3** Carrier Instrumentation

4.3.1 The carrier is to be fitted with an accelerometer at its structure at the centre line, near the centre of gravity. The accelerometer is to be fitted in the direction of movement( $A_X$ ).

Location	Parameter	Minimum	No of channels
		Amplitude	
Carrier c.o.g.	Accelerations	350 g	1
	$A_{X}$		
	Total Channels per Carrier		1

#### TOTAL CHANNELS

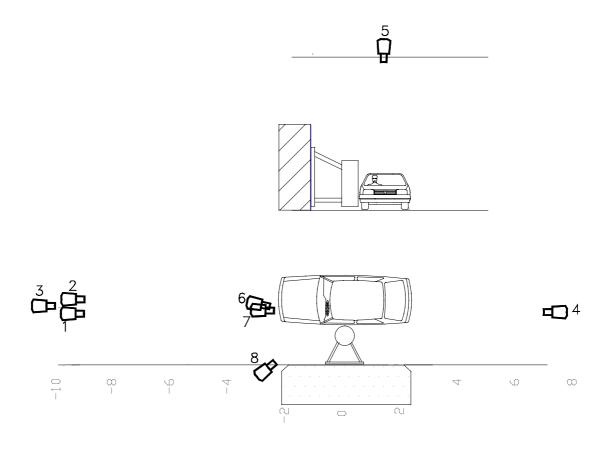
1x Driver EuroSID-1	24
1x Vehicle	1
1x Carrier	1
TOTAL	26

# 5 CAMERA LOCATIONS

Set up high speed film cameras according to the following diagrams.

Camera	Camera Type	Shot Content
No.		
1	>/= 400 fps high speed cine	Front view of vehicle and carrier (wide)
2	>/= 50 fps stills camera	Front view of vehicle and carrier (wide)
3	>/= 50 fps stills camera	Backup for 2 (optional)
4	>/= 400 fps high speed cine	Rear view of vehicle and carrier (wide)
5	>/= 400 fps stills camera	Plan view of car and carrier (wide)
6	>/= 1000 fps high speed cine	Front view of driver head (impact area) (tight)
7	>/= 1000 fps high speed cine	Front angled view of driver rib and abdomen
		area (tight)
8	>/= 400 fps stills camera	30 ° Side view from front on impact area
		(wide)

Lens sizes should be chosen appropriately in order to achieve the required shot content/intention. In order to prevent view distortion, a minimum lens size of 9 mm is applicable.



## 6 PASSENGER COMPARTMENT ADJUSTMENTS

#### 6.1 Overview of settings

Adjustment	Required Setting	Notes	Methods
Seat Fore/Aft	Mid position as defined in 6.2	Set to first notch rearwards of mid position if not lockable at mid position	See Section 6.2. See also 7.3.4.2
Seat Base Tilt	Manufacturer's design riding position	Permissible Up to mid position	See Section 6.3
Seat Height	Lowest position		
Seat Back Angle (as defined by torso angle)	Initially set to manufacturer's design riding position	Otherwise initially 25° to Vertical	See Section 7.1 See also 7.3.4.2
Seat Lumbar Support	Fully retracted		See section 6.3.2
Head Restraints	Highest position		
Head Restraint Tilt Angle	Manufacturer's design riding position	Otherwise mid position	
Arm-rests (Front seats)	Lowered position	May be left up if dummy positioning does not allow lowering	
Rear Seat Fore/Aft and seat back angle	Manufacturer's design riding position	Mid or first notch rearwards of mid position if not lockable at mid position	See Section 6.4.1
Rear Seat Facing	Forward		See Section 6.4.1
Rear seats arm-rests	Stowed position		
Doors	Closed, not locked		
Glazing	Movable windows and vents in fully opened position		
Steering wheel – horizontal	Mid position		See Section 6.4
Steering wheel – vertical	Mid position		See Section 6.6
Sunroof	Fully closed		
Gear change lever	In the neutral position		
Parking Brake	Disengaged		
Pedals	Normal position of rest		
Sun Visors	Stowed position		
Rear view mirror	Normal position of use		
Seat belt anchorage	Manufacturer's design riding position	If no design position then set to mid position, or nearest notch upwards	

Adjustments not listed will be set to mid-positions or nearest positions rearward, lower or outboard.

#### 6.2 Determination of and Setting the Fore/aft Position of the Seat.

- 6.2.1 Place a mark on the moving part of seat runner close to the unmoving seat guide.
- 6.2.2 Move the seat to its most forward position of travel.

- 6.2.3 Mark the unmoving seat guide in line with the mark on the seat runner. This corresponds to the seat in its most forward position.
- 6.2.4 Move the seat to the most rearward position of its travel.
- 6.2.5 Mark the unmoving seat guide in line with the mark on the seat runner. This corresponds to the most rearward seating position.
- 6.2.6 Measure the distance between the forwards and rearwards marks. Place a third mark on the seat guide mid-way between the forwards and rearwards marks.
- 6.2.7 Move the seat so that the mark on the seat runner aligns with the mark on the seat guide.
- 6.2.8 Lock the seat at this position. Ensure that the seat is fully latched in its runners on both sides of the seat. The seat is now defined as being at its 'mid seating position'. The vehicle will be tested with the seat in this position.
- 6.2.9 If the seat will not lock in this position, move the seat to the first locking position that is rear of the mid seating position. The vehicle will be tested with the seat in this position.

#### 6.3 Setting the Seat Base Tilt and Lumber Positions

- 6.3.1 If the seat base is adjustable for tilt it may be set to any angle from the flattest to its mid position according to the manufacturer's preference. The same seat tilt setting must be used for frontal and Pole Impact.
- 6.3.2 Seat Lumber Setting. If the seat back is adjustable for lumber support it should be set to the fully retracted position.

The settings for the passenger seat should be as near as possible to being the same as that of the driver's seat.

#### 6.4 Setting the Rear Seats

6.4.1 If the rear seat back or cushion is adjustable, put it in the manufacturer's design riding position. If the direction of the seat is adjustable it should be set to face forward, with its axis parallel to the fore/aft direction of the vehicle.

#### 6.5 Setting the Steering Wheel Horizontal Adjustment

- 6.5.1 Choose a part of the facia that is adjacent to the steering column and can be used as a reference.
- 6.5.2 Move the steering wheel to the most forward position of its travel.
- 6.5.3 Mark the steering column in line with an unmoving part of the facia. This corresponds to the most forward travel of the steering wheel.
- 6.5.4 Move the steering wheel to the most rearwards position of its travel.
- 6.5.5 Mark the steering column in line with an unmoving part of the facia. This corresponds to the most rearwards travel of the steering wheel.
- 6.5.6 Measure the distance between the forwards and rearwards marks on the steering column. Place a third mark on the steering column mid-way between the forwards and rearwards marks. This corresponds to the centre of travel of the steering wheel.
- 6.5.7 Move the steering wheel so that the mark on the steering column aligns with the facia.
- 6.5.8 Lock the steering column at this position. The steering wheel is now in its mid-position of travel. The vehicle will be tested with the steering wheel in this position.

## 6.6 Setting the Steering Wheel Vertical Adjustment

6.6.1 A method that is in principle the same as Section 6.5 should be used to find and set the steering wheel vertical adjustment to the mid position.

It is unlikely that the same part of the facia used during the setting procedures for the horizontal adjustments could be used for the vertical adjustment.

Care should be taken to avoid unintentional adjustment of the horizontal setting during the vertical adjustment procedure.

#### 7 DUMMY POSITIONING AND MEASUREMENTS

#### 7.1 Determine the H-point of the driver's seat

The device to be used is the H-point machine as described in SAE J826:July 1995.

If the seat is new and has never been sat upon, a person of mass  $75 \pm 10$  kg should sit on the seat for 1 minute twice to flex the cushions.

The seat shall have been at room temperature and not been loaded for at least 1 hour previous to any installation of the machine.

- 7.1.1 Set the seat back so that the torso of the dummy is as close as possible to the manufacturer's recommendations for normal use. In absence of such recommendations, an angle of 25 degrees towards the rear from vertical will be used.
- 7.1.2 Place a piece of muslin cloth on the seat. Tuck the edge of the cloth into the seat pan/back join, but allow plenty of slack.
- 7.1.3 Place the seat and back assembly of the H-point machine on the seat at the centre line of the seat.
- 7.1.4 Set the thigh and lower leg segment lengths to 401 and 414 mm respectively.
- 7.1.5 Attach lower legs to machine, ensuring that the transverse member of the T-bar is parallel to the ground.
- 7.1.6 Place right foot on undepressed accelerator pedal, with the heel as far forwards as allowable. The distance from the centre line of the machine should be noted.
- 7.1.7 Place left foot at equal distance from centre line of machine as the right leg is from centre line. Place foot flat on footwell.
- 7.1.8 Apply lower leg and thigh weights.
- 7.1.9 Tilt the back pan forwards to the end stop and draw the machine away from the seatback.
- 7.1.10 Allow the machine to slide back until it is stopped by contacting the seat back.
- 7.1.11 Apply a 10 kg load twice to the back and pan assembly positioned at the intersection of the hip angle intersection to a point just above the thigh bar housing.
- 7.1.12 Return the machine back to the seat back.
- 7.1.13 Install the right and left buttock weights.
- 7.1.14 Apply the torso weights alternately left and right.
- 7.1.15 Tilt the machine back forwards to the end stop and rock the pan by 5 degrees either side of the vertical. The feet are NOT to be restrained during the rocking. After rocking the T-bar should be parallel to the ground.
- 7.1.16 Reposition the feet by lifting the leg and then lowering the leg so that the heel contacts the floor and the sole lies on the undepressed accelerator.
- 7.1.17 Return the machine back to the seat back.
- 7.1.18 Check the lateral spirit level and if necessary apply a lateral force to the top of the machine back, sufficient to level the seat pan of the machine.
- 7.1.19 Adjust the seat back angle to the angle determined in 7.1.1, measured using the spirit level and torso angle gauge of the H-point machine. Ensure that the torso remains in contact with the seat back at all times. Ensure that the machine pan remains level at all times.
- 7.1.20 Measure and record in the test details the position of the H-point relative to some easily identifiable part of the vehicle structure.

#### 7.2 **Dummy Installation**

It is the intention that the dummy should not be left to sit directly on the seat for more than 2 hours

prior to the test. It is acceptable for the dummy to be left in the vehicle for a longer period, provided that the dummy is not left in overnight or for a similarly lengthy period.

If it is known that the dummy will be in the vehicle for a time longer than 2 hours, then the dummy should be sat on plywood boards placed over the seat. This should eliminate unrealistic compression of the seat.

#### 7.3 Dummy Placement

#### 7.3.1 H-point

Note that the H-point of the EuroSID-1 dummy is situated 21mm forward of and 5mm above that of the H-point determined by the H-point manikin (Section 7.1).

- 7.3.1.1 Position the dummy in the seat, with its back against the seat and its centreline coinciding with the seat centreline.
- 7.3.1.2 Carefully place the seat belt across the dummy and lock as normal.
- 7.3.1.3 Visually check that the dummy sits square and level in the seat before taking any measurements of the H-point position.
- 7.3.1.4 Manoeuvre the dummy until its Hip-joint point is within 13mm in the vertical dimension and 13mm in the horizontal dimension of a point 21mm fore and 5mm above the H-point as determined in Section 7.1.

#### 7.3.2 Legs and Feet

- 7.3.2.1 Position the left foot perpendicular to the lower leg with its heel on the floorpan in a transverse line with the heel of the right foot.
- 7.3.2.2 Carefully position the dummy's right foot on the undepressed accelerator pedal with the heel resting as far forward as possible on the floorpan.
- 7.3.2.3 Measure the separation of the inside surfaces of the dummy's knees and adjust until they are  $150 \pm 10$  mm apart from each other.
- 7.3.2.4 If possible within these constraints, place the thighs of the dummy on the seat cushion.
- 7.3.2.5 Check again the position of the H-point, the levelness of the pelvis and the squareness of the dummy in the seat. If everything is in position, set the arms.

#### 7.3.3 Arms

# The arms of the EuroSID-1 dummy have click-stops corresponding to fixed angles between the torso reference line and the arms.

7.3.3.1 Move both arms of the dummy until they have clicked at those positions corresponding to  $40^{\circ}$  angle between the arms and the torso reference line.

#### 7.3.4 Position of the head

- 7.3.4.1 Locate the horizontal plane passing through the dummy head centre of gravity. Identify the rearmost point on the dummy head in that plane. Construct a line in the plane that contains the rearward point of the front door daylight opening and is perpendicular to the longitudinal vehicle centreline. Measure the longitudinal distance between the rearmost point on the dummy head and this line. Refer to the USA Safety Standard MVSS 201 for the definition of 'door daylight opening'.
- 7.3.4.2 If the distance is less than 50 mm or the point is not forward of the line, then the seat and/or dummy position shall be adjusted as follows. First, the seat back angle is adjusted, a maximum of 5 degrees, until a 50 mm distance is achieved. If this is not sufficient to produce the 50 mm distance, the seat is moved forward until the 50 mm distance is achieved or until the knees of the dummy contact the dashboard or kneebolster whichever

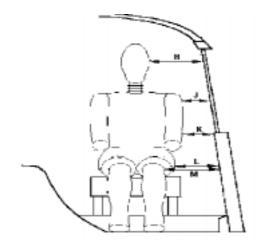
comes first. If the required distance cannot be achieved through movement of the seat, the seatback angle shall be adjusted even further forward until the 50 mm distance is obtained or until the seat back is in its full upright locking position.

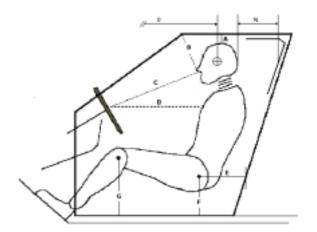
7.3.5 After positioning the dummy measure and record the dummy position according to section 7.4 and determine the impact location as described in section 2.4.

#### 7.4 Dummy Positioning Measurements

The following measurements are to be recorded prior to the test after the dummy settling and positioning procedures have been carried out.

Α	Head/roof panel vertical	vertical
В	Nose point / windscreen joint	shortest
С	Nose point / centre of steering	shortest
D	Thorax strap / centre of steering wheel	horizontal
Е	Hip joint point / inside opening of the door	horizontal
F	Hip joint point / inside opening of the door	vertical
G Knee / floor covering		vertical
Н	H Head / side window pane (or padding) hori	
J	Shoulder / window pane (or padding)	horizontal
K	Elbow / door (or padding)	horizontal
L	Pelvis / door (or padding)	horizontal
M	Knee / door (or padding)	horizontal
N	Rearmost point head / daylight opening horizontal	
O C.o.g. head to front axle horiz		horizontal





# **8 STILL PHOTOGRAPHY**

The following photographs will be taken pre and post-test unless otherwise indicated. Pre-test photographs will be taken with the dummies in their final positions. All front, rear and side views to be taken at vehicle waist height.

No.	View			
Car on carrier against pole				
1	Top view of full car, carrier and pole			
2	Front view of full car, carrier and pole			
3	Rear view of full car, carrier and pole			
4	Side view of car, carrier and pole at 45 ° to front, impact side			
5	Side view of car, carrier and pole at 45 ° to rear, impact side			
Car/ca	arrier away from pole			
6	Side view car/carrier impact side, showing full car			
7	Side view car/carrier non-impact side, showing full car			
8 *	Side view through open driver's door on driver & seat to show driver compartment			
	and position of seat relative to the sill			
9 *	Detail view on driver's legs and feet through open door			
10	Side view through open front passenger door to show driver			
11	Side view of car/carrier impact side centred on impact line showing front door and			
	B-post			
12 *	Front/side view of pole			
Post-to	Post-test only			
13	Front view of dummy through front windscreen			
14	Inside car view on abdomen/pelvis area			
After Dummy Removal				
15	Detail view(s) on paint marks on the driver's door and seat			

<sup>\* =</sup> Pre-test only

#### 9 TEST PARAMETERS

An on-board data acquisition unit will be used. This equipment will be triggered by a contact plate at the point of first contact (t=0) and will record digital information at a sample rate of 20 kHz (alternatively a sample rate of 10 kHz may be used). The equipment conforms to SAE J211 (1988).

BEFORE THE TEST, ENSURE THAT THE LIVE BATTERY IS CONNECTED, A SINGLE KEY IS IN THE IGNITION, THE IGNITION IS <u>ON</u> AND THAT THE AIRBAG LIGHT ON THE DASHBOARD ILLUMINATES AS NORMAL (WHERE FITTED).

If the vehicle is fitted with a suspension system, pedal retraction system or any other system which requires running of the engine just before test execution, the engine should be run for a predetermined time, specified by the manufacturer.

#### 9.1 Carrier

A carrier should be used which has a horizontal flat surface with a sufficiently large area to allow unobstructive longitudinal displacement of the vehicle of about 1000 mm and rotation of the vehicle during the deformation phase of the impact.

To minimise effects of friction between the tires of the test vehicle and the surface of the carrier this friction is reduced to a minimum by placing the vehicle with each tyre on two sheets of PTFE. To avoid vehicle movement prior to the impact, the vehicle may be fixed to the carrier until 5 m before the point of impact. The impact speed should be reached 10 m before the point of impact. Crumple tubes or a comparable device will decelerate the carrier not earlier than 12 ms or 100 mm after the moment / point of impact.

The carrier may be fitted with an emergency abort system. This is optional, the test facility may elect to test without an abort system.

- 9.1.1 Position the vehicle on the carrier to achieve that the impact reference line is aligned with the centre line of the rigid pole.
- 9.1.2 The horizontal impact accuracy should be  $\pm$  38 mm.

#### **9.2** Pole

The rigid pole is a vertical metal structure beginning no more than 102 mm above the lowest point of the tires on the striking side of the test vehicle when the vehicle is loaded as specified in section 2.5.6 and extending at least 100 mm above the highest point of the roof of the test vehicle. The pole is  $254 \pm 3$  mm in diameter and set off from any mounting surface, such as a barrier or other structure, so that the vehicle will not contact such a mount or support at any time within 100 ms of the initiation of the vehicle to pole contact.

9.2.1 Mark a line along the vertical centreline of the pole which may be used to check the alignment of the test vehicle on the carrier.

#### 9.3 Impact Speed

- 9.3.1 During the acceleration phase of the test, the acceleration of the carrier should not exceed  $1.5 \text{ m/s}^2$ .
- 9.3.2 Measure the speed of the vehicle as near as possible to the point of impact. using an infrared beam intercepting two markers at a measured distance apart.

9.3.3 Record the actual test speed in the test details.  $TARGET\ SPEED = 29 \pm 0.5\ km/h$ 

## 9.4 Impact Angle

9.4.1 The impact angle should be  $90^{\circ} \pm 3^{\circ}$ . Align the vehicle on the carrier so that the angle between the vehicle's longitudinal and the direction of movement of the carrier is  $90^{\circ}$ .

#### 10 AFTER TEST

#### **10.1 Door Opening Force**

- 10.1.1 Check that none of the doors have locked during the test.
- 10.1.2 Try to open each of the doors on the unstruck side (front door followed by rear door) using a spring-pull attached to the external handle. The opening force should be applied perpendicular to the door, in a horizontal plane, unless this is not possible. The manufacturer may specify a reasonable variation in the angle of the applied force. Gradually increase the force on the spring-pull, up to a maximum of 500 N, until the door unlatches. If the door does not open record this then try to unlatch the door using the internal handle. Again attempt to open the door using the spring-pull attached to the external handle. Record the forces required to unlatch the door and to open it to 45° in the test details.
- 10.1.3 If a door does not open with a force of 500 N then try the adjacent door on the same side of the vehicle. If this door then opens normally, retry the first door.
- 10.1.4 If the door still does not open, record in the test details whether the door could be opened using extreme hand force or if tools were needed.

Note: In the event that sliding doors are fitted, the force required to open the door sufficiently enough for an adult to escape should be recorded in place of the 45° opening force.

#### 10.2 Dummy Removal

- 10.2.1 Do not move the driver seat. Try to remove the dummy.
- 10.2.2 If the dummy cannot be removed with the seats in its original position, recline the seat back and try again.
- 10.2.3 If the dummy still can not be removed, try to slide the seat back on its runners.
- 10.2.4 If the dummy still can not be removed, the seat can be cut out of the car.

#### 10.3 Calculation of Injury Parameters

The following table lists all of the channels which are to be measured and the Channel Frequency Class (CFC) at which they are to be filtered. The injury calculation column lists the parameters which will be calculated for each location. If the injury parameter is not a simple peak value and involves some further calculation, details are given subsequently. Head impacts occurring after the dummy head rebounds from an initial contact are not considered when calculating maximum levels of injury parameters.

Location	Parameter	CFC <sup>2</sup>	Injury Calculation
Head	Accelerations	1000	HIC
	$A_x A_y A_z$		Peak acceleration
			3msec exceedence (cumulative)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CFC from the TNO EuroSID-1 Training Manual

Using the above channels, dummy injury parameters can be calculated according to the following procedures:

Head

Calculate the resultant head acceleration  $A_R$  from the three components  $A_x$ ,  $A_y$  and  $A_z$  after they have been filtered.

$$A_R = \sqrt{A_X^2 + A_Y^2 + A_Z^2}$$

Calculate the Head Injury Criterion (HIC) according to:

$$HIC = (t_2 - t_1) \begin{bmatrix} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} A_R . dt \\ \frac{t_1}{(t_2 - t_1)} \end{bmatrix}^{2.5}$$

where  $A_R$  is expressed in multiples of g. Maximise HIC for any time 'window'  $(t_2-t_1) \ge 3$  ms. Determine the peak acceleration level of  $A_R$  and the level it exceeds for a cumulative time period of three milliseconds i.e. the head 3 ms exceedence.