

AUSTRALIAN
MOTOR VEHICLE
CERTIFICATION BOARD

COMPRISING AUSTRALIAN AND STATE AUTHORITIES

CIRCULAR NO. 0-7-3

DEFINITION OF SEATING REFERENCE POINT (SRP)

1. Some difficulties are known to exist in the interpretation of the term 'rearmost normal design driving or riding position' in respect of seats with vertical adjustment and/or capabilities for extended rearward adjustment. The current definition of Seating Reference Point (SRP) is contained in Australian Design Rules for Motor Vehicle Safety as Definition No. 14.
2. It has been decided to issue the following clarifying notes, to be read in conjunction with ADR Definition No. 14:
 - (a) in nominating the SRP, the manufacturer shall give consideration to all modes of adjustment of the seat - horizontal, vertical and tilt - for the purposes of establishing the rearmost normal design driving or riding position;
 - (b) the SRP, once determined, is the point used to position the two-dimensional template with the 90th percentile leg as described in SAE J826, for all purposes for which the template is used;
 - (c) the Board has agreed to accept the two-dimensional template with the 95th percentile leg with dimensions as specified in SAE J826b.