



## SEAT TESTS

Additional seats installed in new vehicles first offered for sale in Australia must comply with the Australian National Vehicle Standards for new vehicles, known as the Australian Design Rules (ADRs). The ADR which specifically applies to seats is ADR3/ ... Seats manufactured for sale to the public for installation in vehicles which have already been registered and used are required to comply with the latest edition of this Code of Practice.

Seats and seat belts play a critical role in occupant protection and personal comfort. **The seat and seat belt can be subjected to substantial forces in a crash so they must be carefully designed, constructed and installed to ensure that they provide adequate protection.**



Where additional seats fitted to a new vehicle result in a change of vehicle category from a goods carrying vehicle to a passenger carrying vehicle the modified vehicle must be certified as a vehicle which has undergone a second stage of manufacture and be affixed with a second stage of manufacture compliance plate.

If a goods carrying vehicle which has already been registered and used is converted to a passenger carrying vehicle by the fitting of additional seats engineering evidence must be provided that the vehicle meets those higher safety standards.

**ASE are certified to do two types of tests; Static Test and Crash (or impact) Test to certify that your seats are up to ADR rules and standards.**

### ASE Conducts the Following Tests

- ADR3/03-Seat Anchorage Test
- ADR3/03-Seat Back Strength Test
- ADR5/05-Anchorage for Seatbelt Test
- ADR3/03-Child Restraint Anchorages Test
- ADR3/03-Head Restraint Test