

CIRCULAR No.2-3-1

INTERPRETATIONS

Attached are interpretations issued by the Board in respect of Australian Design Rule No.2 - Door Latches and Hinges (February 1984). This Circular supersedes Interpretation No.4 of ADR 2.page 2 of Circular No.47 of the first series of Board Circulars by carrying over this interpretation and adding two interpretations based on experience with the Rule.

They should be read in conjunction with Circular No 0-11-1.

Interpretation No.1 (Clause 2.2)

Question:

What are the special features of doors which define them as being designed to be easily attached to or removed from motor vehicles for the purposes of exemption from ADR 2?

Answer:

Doors which can be attached to or removed from the vehicle without the aid of tools, i.e.-without employing a mechanical advantage.

Interpretation No. 2 (Clause 2.2.2.2)

Question:

When more than two hinges comprise the hinge system, is it permissible to carry out an evaluation in accordance with Paragraph 5 of the Society of Automotive Engineers Recommended Practice J934 a - Vehicle Passenger Door Hinge Systems?

Answer:

Yes, provided it is demonstrated that the hinge system will support the load specified in paragraph 2.2.2.2 of the Design Rule.

Interpretation No. 3 (Clause 2.2.1.3.2)

Question:

Is a child-proof lock considered a locking mechanism under clause 2.2.1.3.2?

Answer:

No