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CIRCULAR NO 34A-3-1

INTERPRETATIONS

Attached are interpretations issued by the Board in respect of Australian Design Rule No.34A Child Restraint Anchorages. (July 1985).

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

Interpretation No 1 (Clause 34A.2.3 (b))

Question: What is the requirement for the removal of closure plugs or trim covering access to child restraint anchorages?

Answer: It is permissible to use hand tools, such as a screwdriver, to remove closure plugs.

Effective from 1 January 1987 for all new vehicle models, it is not permissible to use a knife or other tool to remove fixed trim in order to gain access to a child restraint anchorage. Fixed trim is trim which cannot be readily moved to gain access to a child restraint anchorage without the use of tools. Pre-slotted trim, which allows access to the child restraint anchorage to be gained without the use of tools, is acceptable.