
**Road vehicles — Securing of cargo in
passenger cars, station wagons and
multi-purpose vehicles — Requirements
and test methods**

*Véhicules routiers — Arrimage des charges à bord des voitures
particulières, des breaks et des véhicules à usages multiples —
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Foreword

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Introduction

Vehicles with variable space for transporting passengers, cargo, luggage and recreational equipment have been developed, produced and marketed successfully in recent years by nearly all vehicle manufacturers. In order to ensure all-embracing internal safety of these vehicles, it is necessary to effectively reduce the danger to occupants which could arise from the above-mentioned objects during extreme driving manoeuvres and also in accidents.

Regulations governing the resistance capabilities of the backrests of the rear seats and for the retaining equipment (partitioning systems) of vehicles of the M₁ class, which are intended to protect the occupants from the danger of shifting cargo during a frontal impact, are included in UNECE Regulation No.17, which first came into force in March 1999.

Since November 2007, uniform conditions have been included in UNECE Regulation No.126 for the approval of retrofit partitioning systems intended to protect the occupants from shifting cargo.

Up until now, there has been no complete and internationally recognized and harmonized specification of testing conditions for the resistance capability of front and rear seats in vehicles having a variable space concept.

DIN 75410-2, published in July 1992, is used increasingly, even at international level. In this standard, minimum requirements and tests are defined for devices for the securing of cargo (strength of seat backs, partitioning systems and lashing points) in cars, station wagons and multi-purpose vehicles. This is intended to enable a transport and an operational securing of cargo in vehicles, in order to reduce the risk of injuries to occupants caused. The main idea behind DIN 75410-2 was that lashing points in the luggage compartment, as well as sufficiently resistant seat backs and a partitioning system, are the basic elements for the protection of occupants.

For all commercially-used cars, station wagons and multi-purpose vehicles that are concerned by the accident prevention regulation for vehicles (BGV D29), compliance with DIN 75410-2 is mandatory in Germany. Furthermore, in certain countries, drivers are obliged by law to properly secure cargo in vehicles in compliance with state of the art.

In this context, ISO/TC 22/SC 12/WG 9 has analysed the requirements of UNECE Regulation No.17, UNECE Regulation No.126 and DIN 75410-2 and has harmonized requirements and test methods in accordance with state of the art. The result is this International Standard, which is a contribution to the international harmonization of requirements to increase the safety of vehicles.

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1 Scope

This International Standard applies to devices for the securing of cargo in passenger cars¹⁾, station wagons¹⁾ and multi-purpose passenger cars¹⁾, where the seats directly delimit the loading space.

This International Standard defines minimum requirements and tests for front and rear seats and partitioning systems, in order to improve the protection of the vehicle occupants against shifting load during a frontal impact. In addition, this International Standard defines minimum requirements and tests for lashing points in the above-mentioned vehicles in order to be able to secure a load (luggage or goods) in a reliable and roadworthy way.

For vehicles²⁾ primarily designed for the transportation of cargo and derived from a passenger car¹⁾, only the requirements concerning the lashing points of this International Standard apply. Additional requirements for these vehicles²⁾ and requirements for any other delivery vans are specified in ISO 27956.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 6549, *Road vehicles — Procedure for H- and R-point determination*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

single seat

seat structure, complete with trim, having a backrest not attached to the vehicle structure, and intended to seat one occupant

3.2

seat bench

seat structure, complete with trim, intended to seat more than one occupant

1) M₁ class vehicles (see 70/156/EEC), also defined as Category 1-1 Vehicles in UN ECE WP29 — Special resolution No. 1 (TRANS/WP.29/1045).

2) N₁ class vehicles (see ECE document TRANS/WP.29/78/Rev.1/Amend.2).