



Bus Safety Belt Verification

Information for Authorised Testers

HGV Testers CPD 2010

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Changes to roadworthiness test from 29 October 2010 for buses fitted with safety belts

Brief overview

From 29 October 2010 when a bus, fitted with safety belts, is presented for its roadworthiness test the vehicle owner will be required to present documentation which confirms that the safety belts fitted to their vehicle meets a minimum standard.

The authorised tester will verify that the bus owner has presented such documentation for their vehicle's safety belt installation. This procedure is called the safety belts verification exercise.

If a bus owner does not present such documentation, their bus will not pass the roadworthiness test.

The legal responsibility of a bus owner/driver

It is a key basic road safety requirement that all vehicles on our roads, and all components of those vehicles, conform to a minimum standard of construction.

It is the legal responsibility of the owner and driver of a bus to ensure that, when it is used in a public place, it is in such a condition that danger will not be caused to any person¹.

The safety belt verification exercise will confirm that the safety belts fitted to a bus meets a minimum standard.

However, it will remain the legal responsibility of the owner and driver of a bus to ensure the vehicle and its components, including safety belts where fitted, comply with the appropriate requirements of Road Traffic legislation.²

All bus operators have been advised of their legal responsibilities, the new requirements at the annual roadworthiness test and that their bus will not pass its roadworthiness test if it does not satisfy the requirements of the verification exercise.

Ongoing checks on safety belts at the roadworthiness test

The safety belt verification exercise is distinct from the current safety belt check at the roadworthiness test which will continue to be undertaken on all vehicles fitted with safety belts.

The safety belt check at the roadworthiness test ensures that safety belts are operating correctly and free from damage while the verification exercise is a check to ensure that a bus has the relevant certification to show its safety belts were installed to a minimum standard of construction.

¹ S.I. No. 190 of 1963, Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 1963.

² S.I. No. 190 of 1963, Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and Use of Vehicles) Regulations

What is your role in the safety belt verification exercise?

From 29th October each authorised tester must ensure that a bus owner presents documentation for their vehicle showing that the safety belt installation meets minimum standards.

This documentation will consist of:

- an owner declaration form
- certification for the safety belt installation

The authorised tester must ensure that the owner declaration form and the safety belt certification relate to the vehicle presented for testing.

If satisfied that this documentation applies to the vehicle in question, the authorised tester will complete the owner declaration form. The owner declaration form is shown in Appendix 1.

A copy of the completed owner declaration form and the safety belt certification will be kept on file with the vehicles test report. The original documentation will be given back to the vehicle owner.

The vehicle owner should be advised to retain the completed owner declaration form for use at subsequent roadworthiness tests as proof of the vehicle having completed the verification exercise.

As a result a bus fitted with safety belts should only undergo the verification exercise once.

However if that vehicles safety belts are subsequently modified in such a way that would render the original certification for the safety belt installation invalid then the vehicle must get certification for any changes made to the safety belt installation and complete another verification exercise.

It will be the sole responsibility of the bus owner to ensure they have the correct and current certification for their vehicles safety belt installation.

For your information Appendix 2 gives a brief description of where the certification can be obtained by a bus owner and Appendix 3 provides visual examples of the different types of certification that a bus owner may present at their roadworthiness test.

The RSA have also set up a dedicated Vehicle Standards safety belt verification helpline at 096 25043 to assist bus owners and vehicle testers who have any queries on the subject.

Step by step instructions of how to carry out safety belt verification exercise

1. Determine if a bus is fitted with safety belts. If the vehicle is not fitted with safety belts then roadworthiness test can take place as normal.
2. If the bus is fitted with safety belts you must request a completed owner declaration form (please see Appendix 1 below). Safety belt certification will accompany the owner declaration form (please see Appendix 3 for examples of certification).

If the vehicle owner does not have an owner declaration form and safety belt certification the vehicle will fail its roadworthiness test and this must be recorded on the vehicles test report (it is planned to have a new reason for failure for this item).

3. You must ensure that the owner declaration form and safety belt certification relates to the bus undergoing the roadworthiness test. This can be done by checking for the correct Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and/or registration number on both the owner declaration form and the safety belt certification documents.

If you are unable to determine that these documents relate to the vehicle presented for testing or there is evidence of them relating to a different vehicle then the vehicle will fail its roadworthiness test and this must be recorded.

4. If the owner declaration and safety belt certification are valid for the vehicle presented for testing you will then verify that the vehicle possess documentation for its safety belt installation and it has been presented as part of its roadworthiness test.

This will be done by completing Part B of the owner declaration form (please see Appendix 1 below).

Please note: It is the vehicle owner's responsibility to ensure that the safety belt certification fulfills the necessary requirements of the safety belt verification exercise.

5. A copy must be taken of the completed owner declaration form and the safety belt certification. The original completed owner declaration form and the safety belt certification will be returned to the vehicle owner.

These copies will be kept on file with the vehicles test report.

6. If a vehicle has had the verification exercise carried out at a previous roadworthiness test the vehicle owner will only need to produce a completed owner declaration form at subsequent roadworthiness tests of that vehicle.

If the certification for the safety belts remains valid (i.e. no modifications have taken place to the safety belt installation) no other documentation will be required for the vehicle's safety belts. You should however retain on file, with the vehicles test report, a copy of any owner declaration form.

Summary of safety belt verification exercise

- **Check if bus is fitted with safety belts – if not continue roadworthiness test as usual.**
- **If the bus is fitted with safety belts the owner should present a completed owner declaration form and supply safety belt certification for that vehicle.**
- **Check seat belt certification is for that bus and is valid. If not the bus will fail its test.**
- **If certification is okay, complete & stamp owner declaration form and take a copy of completed declaration form and seat belt certification.**
- **Return original documentation to owner and retain the documentation copies on file with bus test results.**

Appendix 1 – Owner declaration form

Safety Belts on Buses - Owner declaration

(This is an important document – please retain for future use)

Part A - To be completed by the Vehicle Owner

Bus owners must present this declaration to the authorised tester. You must confirm the type of certification accompanying the vehicle (tick box 1 – 4 below as appropriate) and attach such certification to this document. By making this declaration you will also be stating that, to the best of your knowledge, the seat and safety belt installations of the vehicle have not been modified in any way since the attached certification was issued.

Upon successful completion of the verification exercise* the authorised tester will stamp the original owner declaration, as completed by you, and return it to you. You should retain the original stamped declaration as proof that your bus has passed the verification exercise. You will require this proof from October 2011 in order to provide services for the organised transport of children. You will also require this proof at your next roadworthiness test.

***Important Note:**

The verification exercise at the roadworthiness test confirms only that the appropriate certification (which demonstrates that the safety belt installation meets a minimum standard) has been presented to the authorised tester. It is not, and should not be regarded as, a confirmation of anything else and it remains each bus owner's legal responsibility to ensure the vehicle and its components, including safety belts where fitted, comply with the appropriate requirements of Road Traffic legislation.³

To be signed by vehicle owner:

I hereby declare that the attached:

- type approval certificate/certificate of conformity ☐
- certification from the vehicle manufacturer⁴ confirming that the safety belts and their fitment meet either EC type approval standards or UK national standards ☐
- certification from a competent person that the safety belts and their fitment have been inspected and been passed for the school transport scheme (equivalent to UK visual inspection standard) ☐
- certification from a competent person or vehicle manufacturer^{Error! Bookmark not defined.} confirming that the safety belt installation conforms with the standards set out in the CE&U Regulations ☐

is valid for the vehicle, with vehicle identification number (VIN) _____ and registration number _____, and the seat and safety belt installations of this vehicle have not been modified in such a way that would render the attached certification invalid.

Signed (Vehicle Owner or Authorised Representative of a Company) _____
Date _____

Part B - To be completed by the Authorised Tester

This declaration and accompanying certification has been checked as part of the roadworthiness inspection of the above vehicle. I am satisfied that:

- the Owner Declaration is completed and signed
- the appropriate certification for the safety belt installation is attached, and
- that the Owner Declaration and the attached certification are valid for the vehicle presented.

A copy of this declaration and attached certification has been retained on file in this Test Centre. [The original stamped declaration must be given to the vehicle owner.]

Authorised Test
Centre Stamp

³ S.I. No. 190 of 1963, Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and Use of Vehicles) Regulations

⁴ Vehicle manufacturer can also mean a vehicle body builder or safety belt installer engaged in the installation of safety belts to EC type approval or UK national standards.

Signed (Authorised Tester) _____ Date _____

Appendix 2 – Summary of the different types of certification

1. Type Approval Certificate / Certificate of Conformity

Buses fitted with safety belts from new may have certification to show they meet the requirements of the relevant EC type approval directives.

If a bus has EC type approval, the manufacturer will have provided or be able to provide official certification that the safety belts were installed to the requirements of Directives 2005/39/EC on seats, their anchorages and head restraints, 2005/40/EC on safety belts and restraint systems and 2005/41/EC on safety belt anchorages.

Bus owners who bought their vehicles with safety belts fitted and who do not already have appropriate certification can contact the main dealer who supplied the vehicle or the homologation department of their vehicle manufacturer or body builder.

The vehicle manufacturer's homologation department ensures that a vehicle meets with the all applicable standards and regulations. The homologation department also maintains on file the details of each vehicle manufactured and can provide, on request from the vehicle owner, information as to the standards and regulations pertaining to a vehicle at the time of its manufacture.

If a vehicles safety belt installation has type approval then the main dealer or homologation department will be able to provide written confirmation of this.

This confirmation should include the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and / or Body Number of the vehicle and the type approval reference number.

2. Certificate from the manufacturer of compliance with EC Type Approval or UK National standards

Buses which do not have full EC type approval and are fitted with safety belts may be able to get confirmation from the company who carried out the installation (i.e. vehicle manufacturer, body builder or safety belt installer) that the safety belt installation complies with the EC type approval standard.

As buses imported from the UK may be approved to the UK national standard rather than the EC standard, it is proposed that approval to the UK national standard would also be acceptable.

Bus owners who bought their vehicles with safety belts fitted and who do not already have the appropriate certification should contact the company who installed the safety belts to see if this form of certification is available for their vehicle.

Any certification issued should confirm the standard to which the safety belts were fitted, the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and / or Body Number of the vehicle.

3. Certificate from a competent person that the safety belts have been inspected and passed under the school transport scheme

Since 2007, it has been a requirement of the School Transport Scheme that buses participating in this scheme be visually inspected to verify that the safety belts and their fitment meet the UK Public Service Vehicle visual inspection standard.

This was organised by the Department of Education and Science and Bus Eireann.

Bus owners, whose vehicles successfully completed the School Transport Scheme's visual inspection, can use the certificates received as conformation of this for the safety belt verification exercise.


Bus Eireann does not retain on file a copy of the School Transport Scheme visual inspection certificate issued to bus owners. Therefore, if a bus owner is no longer in possession of this certificate they should contact the company who carried out the safety belt inspection for a new certificate.

4. Certification from a competent person (Suitably Qualified Individual / Company or Approved Test Centre) confirming that the safety belt installation conforms with CE&U standards

If a bus owner is unable get certification in categories 1 – 3 above they can employ the services of a competent person to inspect their vehicle and certify that the vehicle meets the requirements of CE&U Regulations.

It is the responsibility of the bus owner to ensure the individual or company employed to certify a safety belt installation is competent to do so (please see the RSA Information Note – New Requirements Regarding Safety Belts on Buses at www.rsa.ie for more information on the requirements of a competent person).

Appendix 3 – Examples of safety belt certification


SCHEDULE 3
Form of Certificate of Conformity by Manufacturer or Distributor

The undersigned,
of **Volvo Group (UK) Limited**
(Name of manufacturer or distributor) hereby certifies that the vehicle:

1. Category _____

2. Class (for a vehicle of category N1) **N/A**

3. Make **VOLVO**

4. Type **FM-360**

bearing the vehicle identification number _____

conforms in all aspects to the Type Approved
at: **BRUSSELS,BELGIUM (Noise, Tyres, R. Visibility, Seat Strength, Belt Inst., Belt anchorages, Brakes) .**
BRISTOL,UK (Emissions, F.U.P. & Speedometer) .

by: **MINISTERIE VAN VERKEER EN INFRASTRUCTURE, BELGIUM (e6) .**
VEHICLE CERTIFICATION AGENCY, UK (e11) .

on: **19/03/07 (Noise) / 19/04/07 (Emissions) / 02/03/05 (F.U.P.) / 24/08/05 (Tyres) /**
28/09/06 (R. Visibility) / 05.12.06 (Seat Strth) / 05.12.06 (S/Belts) / 05.12.06 (Belt Anch)

and described in Type Approval Certificate Number(s):
e6*0961 (Noise) / e11*2106 (Emissions) / e11*0019 (F.U.P.) / e6*0023 (Tyres) /
e6*0012 (R. Visibility) / e6*0163 (Seat Strth) / e6*0127 (S/Belts) / e6*0179 (Belt anch)

The vehicle to which the above Type Approval Certificate(s) relate was granted
type approval in respect of the following EC Directives:
70/157- 2007/34 / 2005/55 2006/51C / 2000/40 / 92/23-2005/11 /
2003/97 / 74/408-2005/39 / 77/541-2005/40 / 76/115-2005/41

Signed: _____ on: **27.07.2009**
Name and signature of certifying person Date of certification

of: _____ at: **Warwick**
Position held with manufacturer or distributor Place of certification

S.I. 448 of 2007: EC (Mechanically Propelled Vehicle Entry Into Service Regulations 2007)

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

Type Approval Certificate/Certificate of Conformity⁵

⁵**Please note:** the Type Approval Certificate Numbers for the EU Directives relating Seat Strength, Safety Belts and Safety Belt Anchorages are outlined in this example. It is the vehicle owners responsibility to ensure that the Type Approval Certificate/Certificate of Conformity shows evidence of these and/or are valid for their vehicle.



XYZ Coach Manufacturers Ltd
Address 1
Address 2
Address 3

This
Certificate

states that the vehicle described below has been inspected, passed and meets with the standards for Seat Belts along with the seat, legs and the fitment of same as set down by

VOSA
The UK visual inspection standard which corresponds to the EC type-approval standard

Vehicle Registration :
 Vehicle Make :
 Chassis Number :
 Vehicle Owner :
 Number of seats Inspected :
 Date of Inspection :
 Place of Inspection :
 Name of Inspector :

This certificate is only valid if it has an "EMBOSED" stamp of _____ in the space provided below. We will not be responsible for Photocopies of Certificate

Signed by :
 Mr. John Smith,
 XYZ Coaches

Stamp Here

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

Letter from Manufacturer indicating safety belts fitted to Type Approval or UK PSV Standards



Henry Ford & Son Limited

Cork, Ireland.
Telephone: Cork 021-4329277
Fax: 021-4329216

January 27, 2003

To Whom It May Concern

This confirms that the Transit factory-built minibus whose Vehicle Identification Number appears below

GBFE

Conforms to the requirements of the Permit issued by Mr Robert Molloy, Minister of State at the Department of the Environment and Local Government, on January 12, 1999, under Article 97 of the Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 1963 to 1998.

The vehicle type is specifically listed as a qualifying vehicle in the third Schedule to the Permit.

aw M. Quinlan
M Quinlan
Manager, Customer Service Division

Sample

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

**Letter from Manufacturer indicating safety belts fitted to Type Approval or UK
PSV Standards**



Henry Ford & Son Limited

Cork, Ireland.
Telephone: Cork 021-4329277
Fax: 021-4329216

August 6, 2010

To Whom It May Concern

This confirms that the Ford Transit factory-built minibus whose Vehicle Identification Number appears below:

WF

Conformed to the requirements of the Permit issued by the Road Safety Authority on December 17th 2008, under Regulation 3(b) (xiii) of the Road Safety Authority Act 2006. Regulation 2003 to 2004 and Directives 76/115/EEC.

The vehicle type is specifically listed as a qualifying vehicle in the third schedule to the permit.

The above vehicle was also fitted with seats, safety belts, and anchorages in conformance with the technical requirements of EU Directives 2005/39/EC, 2005/41/EC, 2005/40/EC.

Yours sincerely _____

B Noonan
Director
Customer Service Division

Sample

Registered in Ireland: No. 4441 Registered Office: Elm Court, Boreenmanna Road, Cork.



Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

Letter from Manufacturer indicating safety belts fitted to Type Approval or UK PSV Standards

Certificate No. 1

Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981

VOSA

Vehicle & Operator Services Agency

Certificate of Initial Fitness

I, the undersigned, a Vehicle Examiner duly appointed by the Secretary of State, hereby certify, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981, that the vehicle described below fulfils the prescribed conditions as to fitness in respect of its use as a Public Service Vehicle.

Description of vehicle

Registration mark
(See notes overleaf)

Chassis (VIN) No. NMC

Make and Model BM 2006

Year of Manufacture of Chassis
or first registration 2006

Type of Body SINGLE DECK COACH

Passenger Carrying Capacity:

(a) Where the wheelchair spaces on the vehicle are unoccupied by a wheelchair

Seated Upper Deck N/A

Seated Lower Deck 55 Standing Lower Deck 0 (NIL)

(b) Where the wheelchair spaces on the vehicle are fully occupied by wheelchairs

Maximum number of wheelchairs N/A

Seated Upper Deck N/A

Seated Lower Deck N/A Standing Lower Deck N/A

Vehicle Examiner

Signed C. Patch Print name C. PATCH

Date of Issue AUGUST 18th 2006 Office WEEDON

PSV 418 (July 2004)

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

Letter from Manufacturer indicating safety belts fitted to Type Approval or UK PSV Standards



Ford Motor Company Limited
17 December 2009

Trafford House
Station Way
BASILDON Essex SS16 5XX
Telephone: (01268) 404827
Fax: (01268) 403192
Mailing Reference:

Sample

Dear

Subject: Ford Transit 350L 17-Seat Bus VIN:

I confirm herewith that the vehicle described above was built at the Genk (Belgium), assembly plant in November 2003 as a Diamond White RHD Ford Transit 17-Seat Bus with a 2.4 Diesel (90PS) engine, 5-speed manual transmission and 4.63 axle ratio for the United Kingdom market. This unit fully complied with the requirements of UK Public Service Vehicle Minibus National Type Approval applicable at that time.

I cannot comment on whether this vehicle complies with the current requirements applicable to category M2 buses in Ireland or whether it complied with the requirements that existed in Ireland at the time of build. However, I can confirm that in terms of the seating, seat belts and side door step dimensions, this vehicle is identical to the specification of the Transit 350L 17-Seat Bus that Ford supplied to the Irish market at that time.

Please be aware that I can only comment on the vehicle specification that left the Genk assembly plant in November 2003. Ford cannot be held responsible for modifications that may have been made by subsequent owners or operators.

Yours sincerely,

Supervisor – Environmental Systems Homologation
Vehicle Homologation and Conformity

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

**Letter from Manufacturer indicating safety belts fitted to Type Approval or UK
PSV Standards**

Safety belt verification helpline 096 25043



Super Coaches Ltd
Address 1
Address 2

Sample

09/06/10

To Whom It May Concern:

The Buckingham seat model has been tested on behalf of Super Coaches at the seat manufacturers facility. This model of seat have been fitted in a Mercedes Vario Vin# XYZ 987654321. The seat model achieved the requirements of directive 96/38EC of 17th June 1996 adapting to technical progress Council Directive 76/115/EEC relating to anchorages for motor vehicle safety belts.

Signed:

.....

General Manager.



Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

**Letter from Manufacturer indicating safety belts fitted to Type Approval or UK
PSV Standards**



consulting engineers
and project managers

Final Inspection Certificate VR 40 Date 2nd October 2008

I hereby certify that

The vehicle described below is of the type for which **XYX Coaches**
issued pull test certificate reference number **12345**.

The standard of workmanship and specifications of this job meet industry
standards and EU Standard Seat Belts fitted by manufacturer were in place

The alterations/modifications carried out to this vehicle do not diminish the
technical status or integrity of the vehicle

The inspection detail is as per our reference **xyz 12345** attached.

Details of certified vehicle:

VEHICLE MANUFACTURER	Volvo
Vehicle type	Coach
Manufacturer's model designation	Plaxton
Chassis Number	
Registration Number + VR	

SIGNED

Mr. John Smith
Consulting Engineers and Project Managers

Address 1

Address 2

DATED 26/02/2009

STATUS Chartered Engineer

Company Stamp
Here

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

School Transport Scheme Certification



XYZ Coach Manufacturers Ltd

Address 1

Address 2

Address 3

CERTIFICATE OF SEAT BELT INSTALLATION

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT SEAT BELTS AND ANCHORAGES INSTALLED
IN THIS VEHICLE ARE TO THE STANDARD RECOMMENDED BY THE
VEHICLE & OPERATOR SERVICES AGENCY UK (VOSA) IN THEIR SEAT
BELT INSTALLATION GUIDELINES**

Date 07/04/08

Make and Model of Vehicle

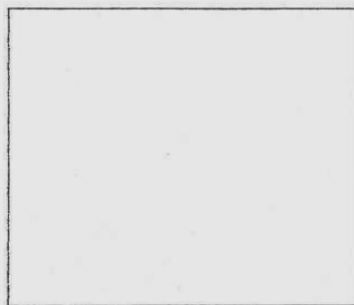
Number of Seats 15

Vehicle Registration No.

Date First Registered

Signed _____

On behalf of XYZ Coaches



COMPANY SEAL

Removal of any fittings will invalidate this Certificate

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

School Transport Scheme Certification

6. Certification template

Construction, Equipment and Use Certification of Safety Belt Installations

This document is to be completed by the individual inspecting and certifying a safety belt installation or the company who installed the safety belts. To complete this certificate you must satisfy yourself that the safety belt installation on this vehicle meets the requirements of the Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and Use of Vehicles) Regulations. In making your assessment you should consider the appropriate manufacturer's specifications, Type Approval standards, and additional reference material (including RSA guidance note) when inspecting and certifying a safety belt installation.

Vehicle Certifier Details

Name (and/or Business Name) John Smith Date 14/10/20
Address X42 LANE, MAIN STREET, MEATH
Telephone (000) 1111 Email address: _____

Please give details of your professional qualifications:

Engineering Qualification and/or Professional body accreditation Member
Engineers Ireland Number of year's relevant experience 7
Details of professional indemnity insurance X42 INSURANCE POLICY NO. 12345

Vehicle Owner Details

Name (and/or Business Name) JAMES SMITH Date 14/10/20
Address X42 STREET, MAIN STREET, KILDARE
Telephone (000) 2222 Email address: _____

Vehicle Details

Registration Number L0M0112 Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) VXXY12345
Number of Seats 18+1 Number of wheelchair spaces 0
Design Gross Vehicle Weight (kgs) 4,500 Month and Year of Manufacture 10/2009

Safety Belt Installation Details

No. of seats fitted with safety belts 19 No. of seats fitted with two point safety belts 0
No. of seats fitted with three point safety belts 19 No. of wheelchair restraint devices 0
Location of wheelchair restraint devices N/A
No. of wheelchair anchorages N/A Type: (webbing/clamps etc.) N/A
Wheelchair occupant restraints type: (2 point/3 point) N/A

Safety Belt Inspection

Date of Inspection 14/10/20 No. of safety belts inspected 19
Location of Inspection X42 GARAGE, MAIN STREET, MEATH

Additional Information in support of safety belt installation Yes/~~No~~ If yes please give details:

(1) LETTER FROM COMPANY WHO SUPPLIED SAFETY BELTS
(Attach copy of any additional information provided)
(2) LETTER FROM VEHICLE MANUFACTURER STATING WHERE
SAFETY BELT ANCHORAGES SHOULD BE LOCATED

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

Construction, Equipment and Use Certification of Safety Belt Installations
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Requirements for Certification

By certifying a safety belt installation you are declaring that each safety belt in the above vehicle satisfies the following requirements of Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and Use of Vehicles) Regulations, (Statutory Instrument No. 190 of 1963¹¹) in respect of safety belts and their installation:

For all buses:

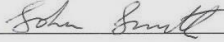
34. (1) Every vehicle and trailer, and all parts and equipment for every vehicle and trailer, shall be maintained in good and efficient working order, and shall be such and so maintained that no danger is liable to be caused thereby.

96. (1) Every vehicle while used in a public place shall be such, and so maintained and used, that no danger is likely to be caused to any person.

67. (1) Every vehicle (including all bodywork, upholstery and fittings) shall be properly constructed of suitable materials and shall be of such a design that it is capable of withstanding the loads and stresses likely to be met with in operation and is otherwise suitable for use for the carriage of passengers.

Declaration

I hereby declare that the above information to be true and correct and that I am in possession of the professional requirements set out in Note 1 below.

Signature of Certifier  Date 14/10/20

Note 1 :

This certification must be completed by the authorised representative of an Approved Test Centre (ATC) or by a competent person who meets the following minimum requirements:

- an Engineering/Technical Qualification (Level 7 or higher accredited courses¹²) or appropriate accreditation with Engineers Ireland¹³ or the Institute of Automobile Engineer Assessors¹⁴
- a minimum of 5 years experience of working in a suitable technical environment (preferably Automotive or Engineering Environment)
- access to adequate facilities to carry out a thorough vehicle examination, and
- appropriate professional indemnity insurance.

Or

- be an authorised representative¹⁵ of a company or vehicle manufacturer engaged in the installation of safety belts to Type Approval standards.

¹¹ S.I. No. 190 of 1963

¹² See Engineers Ireland, Accredited Courses.

¹³ Chartered or Associate Engineer.

¹⁴ Member or Incorporated Member.

¹⁵ Such as a Director under the Companies Act, 1963 (as amended)).

Sample Certification for a Safety Belt Installation

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