Side-impact resistance of motor vehicles (amend. Directive 70/156/EEC)

1994/0322(COD) - 23/11/1995 - Council position

The Council's common position was very similar to the Commission's amended proposal and incorporated the ten amendments by the European Parliament that had been accepted by the Commission. It therefore did away with the two-stage approach for side impact tests. The Council also made the following changes: - the proposed title of the directive was changed to incorporate the objective of the protection of occupants of motor vehicles in the event of a side impact; - Article 4 did not contain any commitment with respect to a precise value for the ground clearance of the collision barrier, but stated that the current value should be increased at a later stage. The review date was linked to that established for the implementation of the directive; - the administrative provisions were improved by adding to the list of data to be provided in the information documents; - the position of the seat where the dummy was placed was that initially proposed by the Commission.