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TRANSPORT CHALLENGES FACING GROWTH





COMPARING EN1317 & NCHRP350/MASH OCTOBER, 2012 CORDOBA, ARGENTINA

Three international methods are used to test roadside safety hardware



IN 1993 NCHRP 350 WAS NCHRP 350 provides testing procedures for... **Longitudinal Barriers Transitions Crash Cushions and Terminals Breakaway or Yielding Supports Breakaway Utility Poles Truck Mounted Attenuators (TMAs) Work Zone Traffic Control Devices**

NCHRP 350 affects most road safety products























National Cooperative Highway Research Program

NCHRP Report 350

Recommended Procedures for the Safety Performance Evaluation of Highway Features

> Transportation Research Board National Research Council

NCHRP REPORT 350 WAS REPLACED BY MASH

(Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware)



- MASH is an AASHTO publication, not an NCHRP document. It was published on October 21, 2009.
- AASHTO is controlled by the States, not the Federal Government

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Revised Test Level 4 (TL-4) Crash Test 90 km/hr, 22, 000 lbs, 15 degrees

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- Midsize car added (3306# 1500 kg) for staged crash cushions and TMAs
 - 1100 C = 2420# 2270 P = 5000# 10,000 kg = 22,000#

Staged impact attenuators will be required to add a 1500 kg vehicle test



 Test Vehicles – Update to what's being produced and sold

 Impact Condition Criteria – Correct inconsistencies & identify needed conditions

- Test Installation
 - Installation length more definitive (cable barriers).
- Barrier height
 (max) small car &
 (min) pickup test.
- Addition of performance based specs for soil.



Test Matrices & Conditions

Small car impact angle from 20 to 25 degrees

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 Evaluation Criteria – Correct existing subjective criteria & better define other criteria

Evaluation Criteria

- Windshield damage criteria to be more objective

- Occupant compartment deformation criteria more objective. This is viewed by many as being more lenient. NCHRP 350 failed test may pass MASH
- Maximum roll angle set to 75 degrees





• Test Documentation

- More detailed documentation in test report
- More detailed documentation of hardware components





0.000 sec

0.044 sec

0.112 sec

0.220 sec

0.358 sec

In-Service Performance Evaluation

- Strengthen language to more strongly encourage In-Service Performance Evaluations to be done



SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN MASH FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO TEST MATRICES

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Small Car Impact Angle	Increase small car impact angle from 20 to 25 degrees to match the impact angle used with light truck testing.	Accident data show that higher angle impacts are more severe and that small car impact angles are not lower than light truck impact angles.	Some barriers, particularly cable barriers, may not pass the higher angle testing. It is believed that the new testing requirement may result in design changes that would reduce penetration frequencies for these barriers.
Impact Speed for Single Unit Truck Test	Increase impact speed from 80 km/h to 90 km/h.	Single unit truck impact speed was increased to make the TL-4 test more meaningful relative to TL-3.	There is a concern that a 32" high NJ barrier may not meet the proposed TL-4 test conditions. Stiffened barriers will provide greater containment capacity than currently associated with TL-4 systems.
Impact Angle for Length-of-Need Tests of Terminals and Crash Cushions	Increase impact angle for length-of-need testing from 20 to 25 degrees.	The length-of-need test is defined as the point where a system becomes effective as a longitudinal barrier. Hence, the impact angle should be the same as longitudinal barriers. Terminals and crash cushions are usually located farther from the roadway than are longitudinal barriers. Since impact angles increase with greater lateral distance from the roadway, there is no justification for using lower impact angles.	Some terminals or crash cushions will need to be stiffened to provide the additional capacity for the higher impact angle and the frequency of penetrations near the end of barrier systems will be reduced.

LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO TEST MATRICES (Continued)

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Oblique End Impacts for Gating Terminals and Crash Cushions	Reduce the impact angle from 15 to 5 degrees.	Full-scale crash testing has shown that the higher impact angle makes gating terminals function better. Anecdotal crash data indicates that low impact angles could lead to rail buckling and penetration of the occupant compartment.	It is anticipated that most crash cushions and terminals will be uneffected. This change would result in post-and-beam terminal and crash cushion designs becoming more resistant to buckling.
Occupant Risk for Length-of-Need Tests	Require length-of-need tests with pickup truck test vehicle to meet occupant risk criteria.	Accident data indicates that more than 15% of all crashes involve impact angles greater than 25 degrees. Barriers should be designed to safely accommodate these impacts.	A very small number of barrier transition systems that exhibit severe snagging during the light truck testing may not meet the new criteria. Redesigning these barrier systems will reduce the risk of severe injury.
Mid-size Car Test	Add head-on test with 1500A test vehicle for staged impact attenuation systems.	There is a need to assure that impact attenuation systems function properly when struck by mid-size vehicles.	Most crash cushions will be exempted from this test through analysis of accelerometer data from 2270P test. Some crash cushions and TMAs may need to be redesigned and the overall length of the systems could increase.
Barrier Testing Heights	Recommend barrier mounting height be set at maximum for small car tests and at minimum for pickup truck tests.	There is a need to verify that specified tolerances on barrier mounting heights are appropriate.	Specified tolerances on mounting heights for some existing barriers may have to be modified or tightened. Designers will have clear demonstration of acceptable barrier mounting heights.
LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO EVALUATION CRITERIA (Continued)

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Flail Space Criteria	Require all longitudinal barrier tests to meet flail space criteria.	A large proportion of barrier impacts occur at angles between 15 & 25 deg. Barriers should perform acceptably for these impacts.	Virtually all barriers already meet these criteria. The effects are therefore believed to be limited.
Roll Angle	Set maximum roll and pitch angles to 75 degrees.	Provide objective measure of maximum acceptable risk of rollover.	Provide more consistent and objective evaluation of vehicle stability.
Exit Conditions	Eliminate subjective criteria for evaluation of exit conditions. Require reporting of exit box evaluation criterion. (Note that meeting this criterion is not required for a passing test.)	Improve the consistency in the evaluation of vehicle exit conditions from barrier impacts; promote international harmonization.	Provide better and more consistent assessment of exit conditions.
Vehicle Rebound	Add required documentation to vehicle rebound in crash cushion tests.	Provide better information on vehicle rebound in crash cushion tests.	Provide better information for user agencies on testing of crash cushions with vehicle rebound.

CAD Drawings	Require CAD (AutoCAD or Micro	Provide better documentation	Provide better documentation
	Station) drawings of test device, including	of the system that was actually	with little additional cost since
	key elements, and test installation.	crash tested.	most testing agencies are
			already using CAD drawings.
Test Report	Require more detailed documentation of	Provide better documentation	Require additional time for
	the conduct of the test and the evaluation	of the conduct of the test and	documentation and provide
	results.	the evaluation results.	additional information for
			potential users of the hardware.

LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO TEST MATRICES (Continued)

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Critical Impact Point	Define CIP as point where	Test terminals and redirective	Reduce risk for vehicles impacting
for small car	from redirection to gating	crash cushions under more	between the beginning of the length of need and the end of the device
Critical Impact Point	Require testing at transition	Anecdotal accident data	The transition elements on the back of
for Reverse	from backup structure to crash	indicates that reverse direction	some popular crash cushions may need to
Direction Impacts	cushions.	accidents continue to be a safety	re-design to preclude serious snagging
		problem for a number of crash	problems during reverse direction
		cushion systems.	impacts. The frequency of this type of crash will diminish significantly.
TMA Optional Tests	Change the two currently	These two optional tests have	Some existing TMAs may not pass these
	optional tests to mandatory.	been shown to be good	two previously optional tests and need to
		indicators of the impact	be re-designed. Costs for full-scale crash
		performance of TMAs and	testing of TMAs will be increased;
		should, therefore, be included as	however, most systems already pass these
		part of the test matrices.	optional tests.
Variable Message	Add these items to TMA crash	Attenuation systems for these	Developers will know the testing
Sign and Arrow	test matrix.	trailers have been developed and	required for approval of variable message
Board Trailers		a recommended procedure for	sign and arrow board trailer attenuation
		safety performance evaluation of	systems.
		these systems is needed.	
Support Structures	Add pickup truck test,	Research has demonstrated that	Some small sign supports, particularly
and Work Zone		support structures and work zone	base bending sign systems, may not meet
Traffic Control		traffic control devices can	the new criteria and thereby be forced out
Devices		penetrate through the windshield	of the market. Fewer crashes with sign
		of light trucks.	supports and wok zone traffic control
			devices will involve objects penetrating
			the windshield and injuring a motorist.

LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO TEST MATRICES (Continued)

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Longitudinal	Add category and	These barricades are being	Developers will have objective
Channelizing	recommended test matrix for	designed and used in the field,	evaluation criteria with which to design
Barricades	longitudinal channelizing	but are not covered in the current	these systems.
	barricades.	guidelines.	
Event Data Recorder	Collect Event Data Recorder	EDR data provide information	Battery power to test vehicles will have
(EDR) Data	(EDR) and airbag deployment	on impact conditions and	to remain on during testing; require use
Collection	data on test vehicles.	acceleration, which can be used	of sealed, non-volatile battery.
		to link crash test conditions and	
		results to real-world crashes.	

LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO TEST VEHICLES

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Test Vehicles	Replace 820C with 1100C Replace 2000P with 2270P	Vehicle fleet size has increased significantly and test vehicles are being revised accordingly.	Increased vehicle masses will place higher impact loads on barrier systems and cause higher deflections. It is believed that most longitudinal barriers will still pass new criteria. Barriers failing the criteria will be strengthened to reduce barrier penetration rates.
Light Truck Test Vehicle	Require 28 in. minimum c.gs height	Most large SUV's have c.g. heights in the 28 to 29 inch range. The new test vehicle will match these very popular vehicles.	Testing to date indicates that, during most longitudinal barrier testing the new test vehicle will be no less stable than the 2000P vehicle. This change will present some difficulties for low height barriers. Raising these barriers will reduce vehicle penetration and rollover rates.
Vehicle Age	Remove option for using older passenger car test vehicles that are structurally similar to current models.	Vehicle designs are changing rapidly and it is impossible to know the impact of seemingly modest changes in vehicle suspension and frame elements.	All testing agencies will be forced to purchase test vehicles that are 6 years old or less. Testing costs may increase slightly. Because most testing agencies have been complying with this requirement, the impact is expected to be very small.
Single Unit Truck Mass	Increase single unit truck from 8000 kg to 10,000 kg.	Single unit truck mass was increased to make the TL-4 test meaningful relative to TL-3.	There is a concern that a 32" high NJ barrier may not meet the proposed TL-4 test conditions. Stiffened barriers will provide greater containment capacity than currently associated with TL-4 systems.

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Truck Box Attachment	Require truck box attachments on test vehicles to meet published guidelines for such attachments	Truck boxes have become detached during full-scale crash tests. When this occurs, barrier loading and the risk of vehicle penetration are significantly reduced and the results of the test are unreliable	Requiring consistent attachments between the truck box and the truck frame will reduce the incidence of inconclusive test results without a significant increase in test cost.
Vehicle Damage	Document external vehicle crush using NASS procedures	Documentation of vehicle crush will provide correlation with NASS-CDS crash data base.	Documenting vehicle crush will increase the cost of testing only slightly and provide an important link between crash testing and accident data.
Crushable Nose Characteristics	Develop new crushable nose for use on surrogate test vehicles	Existing crushable nose properties were calibrated against a 1981 Volkswagen Rabbit. This vehicle is more than 24 model years old.	Calibration of a new crushable nose is not expensive and only needs to be conducted once. The new crushable nose will assure correlation between surrogate vehicle testing and full-scale testing.
TMA Support Vehicle	Require TMA developers to select maximum and minimum support truck weight ratings. Three full-scale crash tests will be conducted with the maximum allowable support truck mass and one test will be conducted with the minimum.	Under existing guidelines user agencies are forced to use very light weight support trucks or face tort risk for using vehicle heavier than those used in compliance testing.	User agencies will be able to purchase TMA units tested on support trucks as heavy as those used in service.

LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO TEST INSTALLATION

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Soil Condition	Add performance based specifications (measured soil strength) to the existing material based specifications (soil type, gradation, compaction, density, etc.).	Ensure consistency in soil strength within and among testing agencies	Added costs to conduct in-situ static push/pull tests for initial calibration tests, re-test every two years, and conduct soil strength test prior to construction and prior to testing of each installation. Improved soil strength consistency between testing agencies.
Embedment of Posts	Eliminate lateral width requirement for fill material, which is currently not met by most testing agencies. However, the embedment depth requirement remains.	The requirement for lateral width of fill materials is no longer applicable given the new testing requirement.	Reduce amount of required fill materials.
Splices	Require any rail element splice used in the field to be installed in the impact region during testing	Cable splices are often used in the field, but have not been included in crash testing programs.	Splices used in the field will have been tested to assure adequate performance.
Cable Tension	Require cable tension to be set to value recommended for 100° F.	Assure equal comparison for all cable barriers and reasonable assessment of barrier deflection.	Will allow a direct comparison between tests of different systems.
Components	Require more detailed documentation of components used in the test installation.	Ability to trace the components in case there are questions regarding the test installation.	Requires additional time for documentation.
Installation Length	Add more definitive requirements with regard to minimum installation length.	Ensure that the test installation is of sufficient length to minimize end effects.	May increase cost of construction for a given test installation but will assure a more uniform comparison of barrier performance.

LIST OF CHANGES FROM NCHRP REPORT 350 PERTAINING TO EVALUATION CRITERIA

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Windshield Damage Evaluation Criteria	Change the current qualitative or subjective windshield damage evaluation criteria to a more quantitative or objective set of criteria.	Improve the consistency in the evaluation of windshield damage.	Provide more consistent and objective evaluation of windshield damage.
Windshield Damage Evaluation Criteria	Apply windshield damage criteria to permanent support structures as well as work zone traffic control devices.	Raise performance requirements for permanent hardware to meet that associated with work zone traffic control devices.	Assure that permanent hardware is not evaluated to a lower standard of performance than work zone devices. Will require improved performance from some base bending signs.
Occupant Compartment Damage Evaluation Criteria	Change the current qualitative or subjective occupant compartment damage evaluation criteria to a more quantitative or objective set of criteria.	Improve the consistency in the evaluation of occupant compartment damage to bring roadside safety criteria into conformance with vehicle crashworthiness criteria.	Provide more consistent and objective evaluation of occupant compartment damage.
Marginal Pass	Delete use of "marginal" pass, i.e., strictly pass/fail on all evaluation criteria.	Reduce ambiguity from the evaluation.	Provide clearer interpretation of test results.

Topic	Change	Relevancy	Anticipated Impact
Conduct of In-	Strengthen language emphasizing the	Promote conduct of in-service	Limited.
Service Evaluation	importance of in-service performance	evaluation.	

FHWA Implementation

- Effective October 21, 2009, any new devices (including modifications to NCHRP 350 compliant devices) had to be tested to the MASH criteria.
- However, FHWA allowed a grace period that ended on January 1, 2011. During this time, FHWA agreed to review devices for "Eligibility Letters" using NCHRP 350 criteria "IF" the test program was started before October 21, 2009. About 40 products were submitted to FHWA for evaluation during December, 2010.

DOT Implementation

- Each DOT is allowed to set their own MASH implementation dates and their own MASH/NCHRP 350 implementation criteria.
- They may choose to establish their own deadline for MASH only compliance or they may permit NCHRP 350 compliant devices to be installed indefinitely.
- To date all states have are using NCHRP 350 compliant hardware as well as MASH devices. This is expected to continue to allow additional competition.



INTERNATIONAL Effect

- By increasing the weight of the heavy vehicle, adding the midsize vehicle and increasing the redirect angle from 20 to 25 degrees, crash cushions tested to MASH will need to be stronger, and most likely more expensive. This will make these products less attractive to customers.
- As long as the States do not require MASH products and agree to allow the use of NCHRP 350 products, there will be little motivation for manufacturers to develop new products.

INTERNATIONAL Effect

- To increase competition, it is recommended that road authorities who are not required to use EN 1317 only, should continue to allow the use of NCHRP 350 products or EN 1317 products depending on the 85th percentile of their vehicle fleet.
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ROAD SAFETY HARDWARE RESOLUTION DATED JANUARY 14, 2008 The AFB20(2) Roadside Safety Design Subcommittee on International Research Activities recommends that road authorities in all countries should only specify roadside safety hardware, i.e. longitudinal safety barriers, crash cushions, terminals and transitions that has met either NCHRP 350 or EN 1317 criteria (or their updates)

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- Regarding MASH, for now it would be better for international road authorities to consider "MASH" from the United States...



INTERNATIONAL Effect

- If international road authorities insist on using the MASH criteria, they should ask for one concession...
- Because the light weight vehicle in MASH is 1100 kg and it is likely that many lighter weight vehicles are present in the vehicle fleet in most countries, road authorities should also allow the use of MASH products, but request that the 820 kg vehicle test be run.



EUROPEAN STANDARD

NORME EUROPÉENNE Road restraint systems

EUROPÄISCHE NORM

EN 1317 –



EUROPEAN COMMITTEE FOR STANDARDIZATION COMITÉ EUROPÉEN DE NORMALISATION EUROPÂISCHES KOMITEE FÜR NORMUNG

- •Part 1: Terminology and general criteria for test methods
- •Part 2: Performance classes, impact test acceptance criteria and test methods for safety barriers including vehicle parapets
- •Part 3: Performance classes, impact test acceptance criteria and test methods for crash cushions
- •Part 4: Performance classes, impact test acceptance criteria and test methods for terminals and transitions of safety barriers (ENV)
- •Part 4: Performance classes, impact test acceptance criteria and test methods for transitions of safety barriers (under preparation)
- •Part 5: Road restraint systems Part 5: Product requirements and evaluation of conformity for vehicle restraint systems
- •Part 6: Pedestrian restraint systems Pedestrian Parapets (under preparation)
- •Part 7: Performance classes, impact test acceptance criteria and test methods for terminals of safety barriers (under preparation)
- •Part 8: Road restraint systems Part 8 : Motorcycle road restraint systems which reduce the impact severity of motorcyclist collisions with safety barriers (under preparation)

Understanding EN 1317-2 & NCHRP 350/MASH





NCHRP 350/MASH EVALUATION CRITERIA

• **STRUCTURAL ADEQUACY** - Defines acceptable test article behavior in terms of strength requirements.

Barrier Structural Adequacy

- Test vehicle must be contained
- Test vehicle must be redirected or come to a controlled stop
- Controlled deflection of the barrier is acceptable

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EN 1317-2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

• <u>SAFETY BARRIER BEHAVIOR</u> - Defines acceptable test article behavior in terms of strength requirements and risks to vehicle's occupants.













STRUCTURAL ADEQUACY/SAFETY BARRIER BEHAVIOR

Evaluation Criteria

- A. Test article should contain and redirect the vehicle; the vehicle should not penetrate, underride, or override the installation although controlled lateral deflection of the test article is acceptable.
- B. The test article should readily activate in a predictable manner by breaking away, fracturing, or yielding.
- C. Acceptable test article performance may be by redirection, controlled penetration, or controlled stopping of the vehicle.

Working Width (W) & Impact Severity Index (ASI)



Working Width	W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8
Displacement less than [meters]	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.3	1.7	2.1	2.5	3.5
Displacement less than [feet]	2.0	2.6	3.3	4.3	5.6	6.9	8.2	11.5



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EN 1317-2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

• <u>SEVERITY</u> - Defines acceptable occupant risk parameters via the THIV and ASI. (PHD GONE).



OCCUPANT RISK/SEVERITY



Ridedown g/ASI

 Maximum
 vehicle and
 occupant g's



H.	Occupant impact vel Section A5.3 for cal satisfy the following	ocities (see App culation proced		
	Occupant Imp	pact Velocity Li		
	Component	Preferred Maximum		
	Longitudinal and Lateral	9	12	10, 20, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 50, 51, 52, 53, 80, 81
	Longitudinal	3	5	60, 61, 70, 71
I.	Occupant ridedown accelerations (see Appendix A, Section A5.3 for calculation procedure) should satisfy the following:			
	Occupant Ridedown Acceleration Limits (G's)			
	Component	Preferred	Maximum	
	Longitudinal and Lateral	15	20	10, 20, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 50, 51, 52, 53, 60, 61, 70, 71, 80, 81
OCCUPANT RISK/SEVERITY

Evaluation Criteria

- D. Detached elements, fragments or other debris from the test article should not penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or present an undue hazard to other traffic, pedestrians, or personnel in a work zone. Deformations of, or intrusions into, the occupant compartment that could cause serious injuries should not be permitted. See discussion in Section 5.3 and Appendix E.
- E. Detached elements, fragments or other debris from the test article, or vehicular damage should not block the driver's vision or otherwise cause the driver to lose control of the vehicle.
- F. The vehicle should remain upright during and after collision although moderate roll, pitching and yawing are acceptable.
- G. It is preferable, although not essential, that the vehicle remain upright during and after collision.

Impacts with concrete barriers can be violent...



100 km/h, 2000 kg, 25 degrees



Impacts with concrete barrier could cause intrusion

Intrusion could cause secondary or multiple accidents

However, these barriers do pass the test criteria.

However, these barriers do pass the test criteria. A motorist would typically have less severe consequences hitting a flexible barrier than a rigid barrier



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Vehicle behavior after impact

VEHICLE TRAJECTORY/TEST VEHICLE BEHAVIOR Evaluation Criteria

- K. After collision it is preferable that the vehicle's trajectory not intrude into adjacent traffic lanes.
- L. The occupant impact velocity in the longitudinal direction should not exceed 12 m/sec and the occupant ridedown acceleration in the longitudinal direction (see Appendix A, Section A5.3 for calculation procedure) should not exceed 20 G's.
- M. The exit angle from the test article preferably should be less than 60 percent of test impact angle, measured at time of vehicle loss of contact with test device.
- N. Vehicle trajectory behind the test article is acceptable.

NCHRP 350/MASH EVALUATION CRITERIA

- **STRUCTURAL ADEQUACY** Defines acceptable test article behavior in terms of strength requirements.
- OCCUPANT RISK Defines acceptable test article behavior, vehicular behavior, and occupant risks parameters via the flail space model.
- <u>VEHICLE TRAJECTORY</u> Defines acceptable post-impact trajectory response of vehicle.

EN 1317-2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

- **SAFETY BARRIER BEHAVIOR** Defines acceptable test article behavior in terms of strength requirements and risks to vehicle's occupants.
- <u>SEVERITY</u> Defines acceptable occupant risk parameters via the THIV and ASI. (PHD GONE)
- **TEST VEHICLE BEHAVIOR** Defines acceptable vehicular behavior during and after impact.



NCHRP 350 CLASSIFICATIONS

TL-1

Test level for special, minimal service requirements

TL-2 TL-3 Basic test levels for most70 km/hservice requirements100 km/h

50 km/h

TL-4 TL-5 TL-6

<u>Test levels for special,</u> higher service requirements

General Guidelines



Test Level 1 is acceptable for some work zones and very low-volume, lowspeed local streets and highways. 50 km/h

General Guidelines

Test Level 2 is acceptable for most local and collector roads and most work Zones.

70 km/h



General Guidelines Test Level 3 is acceptable 100 km/h for a wide range of highspeed roadways.



General Guidelines

Test Levels 4-6 are applicable to highways with high volumes of truck traffic or to areas where penetration has serious consequences.

Test Levels 4-6

TL-3 Conditions <u>plus</u>
Heavy vehicle at 80 kph

Test Levels 4-6

TL-4 Vehicle:

8165 kg Single Unit Truck

TL-5 Vehicle:

36267 kg tractor-Trailer **TL-6 Vehicle:**

36267 kg Bulk Fluid



Impact Conditions

Test Level	Barrier Section	Test Designation	Vehicle	Nominal Speed (km/h)	Nominal Angle, (deg)	*** Impact Point
1	Length of Need	1-10 <u> S1-10*</u> 1-11	820C 700C 2000P	50 50 50	20 20 25	Midpoint
	Transition	1-20** S1-20* 1-21	820C 700C 2000P	50 50 50	20 20 25	Transition
2	Length of Need	2-10 <u>S2-10*</u> 2-11	820C 700C 2000P	70 70 70 70	20 20 25	Midpoint
	Transition	2-20** S2-20* 2-21	820C 700C 2000P	70 70 70	20 20 25	Transition

NCHRP 350 Barrier Tests

Test is optional Test may be optional **

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Impact Conditions

Test Level	Barrier Section	Test Designation	Vehicle	Nominal Speed (km/h)	Nominal Angle, (deg)	*** Impact Point
3	Length of	3-10	820C	100	20	Midnoint
	Ineeu	3-11	2000P	100	25	wiiupoint
	Transition	3-20** S3-20* 3-21	820C 700C 2000P	100 100 100	20 20 25	Transition
4	Length of Need	4-10 <u> \$4-10*</u> 4-11**	820C 700C 2000P	100 100 100	20 20 25	Midpoint
	Transition	4-12 4-20** S4-20* 4-21** 4-22	8000S 820C 700C 2000P 8000S	80 100 100 100 80	15 20 20 25 15	Transition

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- ** Test may be optional

NCHRP 350 Barrier Tests

Impact Conditions

Test Level	Barrier Section	Test Designation	Vehicle	Nominal Speed (km/h)	Nominal Angle, (deg)	*** Impact Point
5	Length of	5-10	820C	100	20	
	Need	S5-10*	700C	100	20	Midpoint
		5-11**	2000P	100	25	
		5-12	36000V	80	15	
-	Transition	5-20**	820C	100	20	
		S5-20*	700C	100	20	Transition
		5-21**	2000P	100	25	
		5-22	36000V	80	15	
	Length of	6-10	820C	100	20	
	Need	\$6-10 *	700C	100	20	Midpoint
6		6-11**	2000P	100	25	
		6-12	36000V	80	15	
	Transition	6-20**	820C	100	20	
		S6-20*	700C	100	20	Transition
		6-21**	2000P	100	25	
		6-22	36000V	80	15	

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EN 1317-2 CLASSIFICATIONS

T1	Containment for temporary use or
T2	Containment for temporary use or
T3	Containment for temporary use or
N1	Normal Containment
N2	Normal Containment
H1	Higher Containment
H2	Higher Containment
H3	Higher Containment
H4a	Very High Containment
H4b	Very High Containment

EN 1317-2 VELOCITIES

Typical Test speeds are 80 km/h, 100 km/h & 110 km/h

T-1, T-2, T-3 Temporary Barrier Only



T-1, T-2, T-3 Temporary Barrier Only





N-1 and N-2 acceptable for most roads





H-1, H-2 and H-3 higher containment for roads with heavy truck use and/or high speeds



H-4a, H-4b

very high containment for areas where penetration has serious consequences

TEST MATRIX FOR HIGH CONTAINMENT

High containment levels	Acceptance test
Higher containment	
H1	TB 42 and TP 11
H2	TB 51 and TB 11
H3	TB 61 and TB 11
Very high containment	
H4a	TB 71 and TB 12
H4b	TB 81 and TB 11



NCHRP 350 VELOCITIES

Vehicle Type	Mass (KG)	Primary Function
USA		
Small Car	820	Occupant Risk
Pickup Truck	2000	Structural Adequacy
NCHRP 350 Test Vehicle Types



2000P pickup truck

820C small car



Test vehicles represent 85th percentile of passenger vehicles





NCHRP 350Test Vehicle Types



2000P pickup truck

820C small car





8000S, 36000V and 36000T heavy truck

NCHRP 350/MASH Test Levels 4-6

TL-4 Vehicle:

TL-5 Vehicle:

8165 kg Single Unit Truck

36267 kg Tractor-Trailer TL-6 Vehicle: 36267 kg Bulk Fluid



TEST VEHICLES

Vehicle Type	Mass (KG)	Primary Function
USA		
Small Car	820	Occupant Risk
Pickup Truck	2000	Structural Adequacy
EN 1317		
Small Car	900	Occupant Risk
Mid-Size Car	1300	Occupant Risk and Structural Adequacy
Full-Size Car	1500	Occupant Risk and Structural Adequacy

EN 1317-2 Test Vehicle Types



1.300 kg vehicles

900 kg vehicles





1.500 kg vehicles

EN 1317-2 Test Vehicle Types

16,000 kg vehicles





38,000 kg vehicles



70 km/h, 13000 kg, 20 degrees

NCHRP 350

Test vehicle type & mass

Auto 820 or 700 kg

Auto 900, 1.300 and 1.500 kg

Pick up / SUV 2.000 kg

> **Rigid Truck** 8000 kg

Articulated Truck 36.000 kg **Rigid Truck** 10.000 kg Bus 13.000 kg

Rigid Truck 16.000 kg

Rigid Truck Double steering axle 30.000 kg

Articulated Truck 38.000 kg









Articulated Tanker 36.000 kg

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EN 1317

Test Vehicle Types What about motorcycles!?



Neither NCHRP350 nor EN 1317-2 test with motorcycles



RIDING A MOTORCYCLE CAN BE DANGEROUS







RIDING A MOTORCYCLE CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS LONGITUDINAL BARRIERS PRESENT A SPECIAL PROBLEM











In 2005, approximately 1 in 10 motorcyclists striking a guardrail were killed.

This is a fatality risk over 80 times higher than a passenger vehicle occupant.





Those who survive a guardrail impact may still be seriously injured.









EN 1317 will be adding voluntary motorcycle safety considerations to their criteria



Countermeasure Option 1: Lower W-Beam









Countermeasure Option 2: Energy Absorbing Post Coverings





NCHRP 350/MASH or EN-1317-2 Tests Must Be Conducted With A Minimum Specified Impact Severity Level



The Combination of

Vehicle mass

Vehicle speed

Impact angle



Impact Severity

The measurement of the amount of force generated during an impact in kilojoules (kJ).



NCHRP 350/MASH or EN-1317-2 Tests Must Be Conducted With A Minimum Specified Impact Severity Level








Which Criteria Should We Use?

Which Criteria Should We Use? The IRF endorses the following proclamation that was unanimously approved at TRB in January 2008:

Which Criteria Should We Use?

-The AFB20(2) Subcommittee recommends that road authorities in all countries should only specify roadside safety hardware, i.e. longitudinal safety barriers, crash cushions, terminals and transitions that has met either NCHRP 350 or EN 1317 criteria (or their updates) -

Which Criteria Should We Use? Both criteria are good.

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Which Criteria Should We Use? Both criteria are good. Understand the differences to decide which are best for you It may be most economically feasible to allow both criteria to be used (more competition)

Which Criteria Should We Use? The NCHRP 350/MASH and EN 1317 test standards were developed considering the vehicles in use regionally, that is, USA and Canada or Europe

Which Criteria Should We Use? Each country choosing a test criteria should consider the mass and elevation of the center of mass of vehicles that are commonly used within the country. This may be critical when considering barrier terminals and crash cushions.







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