

PAS 2012 Technical Interpretation		Interpretation number	014
Title	ISOFIX child seat anchorages on coachbuilt seats		
PAS Version	2012 : 2015		
Clause(s)	4.5.3		
Enquiry	<p>“Paragraph 4.5.3 of PAS 2012-1 : 2015 requires any OE seat that was originally equipped with ISOFIX anchorages but has either been modified or the vehicle structure to which it is attached has been modified, to either have the ISOFIX anchorages re-tested or to have any ISOFIX label on the seat defaced or removed. If an aftermarket coachbuilt seat is fitted, and that seat is equipped with ISOFIX anchorages, what requirements apply to the ISOFIX anchorages on the coachbuilt seat?”</p>		
Decision	<p>ANY ISOFIX anchorage in the vehicle (whether on an OE seat or a set fitted as part of the conversion) MUST either meet the requirements relating ISOFIX anchorages in ECE Regulation 14.06 (or later), OR any ISOFIX label on the seat must be defaced or removed.</p>		
Rationale	<p>Although the original clause does imply that the requirement only applies to ISOFIX anchorages on modified OE seats, the intention was to ensure that any ISOFIX anchorages in the vehicle either meet the relevant test requirements, or are not labelled as ISOFIX anchorages, (to reduce the chances of misleading an owner into thinking that the anchorages had been tested and met the requirements). Clearly, there is no logic in specifying this requirement for one type of seat but not another.</p> <p>This will be addressed in the 2018 review. In the meantime, this Technical Interpretation applies from the effective date below.</p> <p>Attention is also drawn to the “Variation” procedure described in the Implementation Manual. In certain circumstances, it might be possible to supply a WAV with ISOFIX anchorages but without formal witnessed in-vehicle testing, if a sound technical case can be made to demonstrate that the ISOFIX test requirements would be likely to be met.</p>		
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