

Vehicle and Traffic (Vehicle Standards) Regulations 2001 (S.R. 2001, No. 117)

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45. Window tinting

(1) Glazing used in a windscreen of a motor vehicle must have a luminous transmittance of at least –

- (a) for a motor vehicle built after 1971, 75%; or
- (b) for another motor vehicle, 70%.

(2) Windscreen glazing of a motor vehicle must not be coated in a way that reduces its luminous transmittance.

(3) However, subregulations (1) and (2) do not apply to the greater of the following areas of a windscreen:

- (a) the area above the highest point of the windscreen that is swept by a windscreen wiper;
- (b) the upper 10% of the windscreen.

(4) Glazing used in an interior partition or window of a motor vehicle must have a luminous transmittance of at least 70%.

(5) Glazing used in an interior partition or window of a motor vehicle, other than the windscreen, may be coated to achieve a luminous transmittance of not less than 35%.

(6) Subregulation (5) does not apply to –

- (a) glazing or coating fitted before 1 October 1996 behind the rear of the driver's seat of a vehicle; or
- (b) glazing or coating behind the rear of the driver's seat of a bus, stretch limousine, ambulance or hearse; or
- (c) glazing or coating adjacent to the rear of an area of a motor vehicle designed and built to carry goods.

Examples for paragraph (c):

The area without seats behind the rear seat of a station wagon.

The tray of a utility, van or truck.

(7) Glazing that has been coated to reduce its luminous transmittance must not have a reflectance of over 10%.

(8) The luminous transmittance requirements in subregulation (5) apply to a vehicle instead of the corresponding requirements of the relevant ADR.