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OFFICE ORDER

1. Rules 62 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 specify the conditions for validity of the Certificate of Fitness to be issued by the Department of Transport, to all vehicles plying in Delhi. One such condition is that certain tests must be carried out of different parts of the automobile, among which includes the rear view mirror. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has set up an Automotive Industry Standards Committee under the Central Motor Vehicles Rules-Technical Standing Committee, which has specified installations requirement of rear view mirrors in automotive vehicles in the amendment no. 1 to AIS-002/2001 dated 18.05.2015. It inter alia reads as under:-

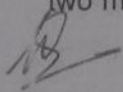
"...4. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Rear-view mirrors shall be complying with the requirement of AIS No. 001 from the date notified and shall be fitted in such a way that the mirror does not move significantly to change the field of vision as measured or vibrate to an extent which would cause the driver to misinterpret the nature of the image perceived.

4.2 The adjusted position of the mirror shall remain substantially unchanged after vehicles is driven at speeds of up to 80% of the maximum design speed, but not exceeding 150 km/h for about 10 minutes time, on test track or highways.

4.3 If the interior rear view mirror does not provide any rearward vision, its presence is not mandatory. However such a fitment is allowed even if it gives partial rearward vision, provided all other vision requirement are met.

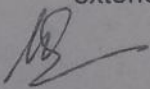
4.4 In case of 2 Wheelers with engine capacity up 70cc, one mirror on right side and for other 2 wheelers and un-bodied 3 wheelers, two mirrors, one on right side and another on left side, shall be fitted or set



in such a way that the centre of the reflecting surface is at least 280 mm towards the outside of the longitudinal median plane of the vehicle. Before the measurement, the handlebars must remain in the position corresponding to the vehicle's traveling in a straight line and the rear view mirror(s) shall be set in their normal position of use. In case of 2 wheelers with engine capacity not exceeding 70cc, additional mirror on left side may be optionally fitted.

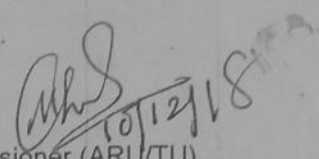
4.5 In the case of mirrors fitted on 2 and 3 wheelers (Class VI), mirrors shall comply with the dimensional requirements of clause 6.5 of AIS 001

2. Clause 6.1 of the aforementioned Standards require that the rear view mirrors shall be so installed that the driver, when sitting on the driving seat, in a normal driving position, has a clear view of the road to the rear and side(s) of the vehicles. But positioning/reaffixing the said mirrors inside the vehicle instead of outside the vehicle, there would be an obvious blocking of vision of the rear side. Therefore, the exterior rear view mirrors, ought to be so affixed that they be on the outside of the vehicles always. Indeed the positioning of the rear view mirror has been specified in clause 6.4 of the Standard, which reads as under:
3. The prescribed exterior rear-view mirror on the driver's side of the vehicles shall be so located that an angle of not more than 55° is formed between the vertical longitudinal median plane of the vehicle and the vertical plane passing through the centre of the straight line 65mm long which joins the driver's two ocular points. This condition shall be deemed to have been met if the vehicle manufacturer certifies so.
4. Annexure 3 further elaborates the point of affixation of the said mirrors and the field of vision at ground level, the benefit of which ought to be available in the rear view mirror to the driver.
5. However, in practice, it is noted that majority of Auto Rickshaws being run in Delhi have the mandatory exterior rear-view mirrors turned inwards into the vehicles in clear violation of the rules. Now it is hereby ordered that the exterior rear-view mirrors are, at all times, fixed outside the body of the Motor



Vehicles including Auto Rickshaws. Necessary action under the MV Act shall be taken against the TSRs not following this condition.

6. Further, the Certificate of Fitness for plying such vehicles would not be issued by the Department of Transport; unless the external rear-view mirrors are welded to the body of the vehicle from the outside i.e. they cannot be turned inside the vehicles, thus ensuring that the external rear-view mirrors are always where they should be i.e. outside the vehicles.


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