

## **IM 6 - Interior Fittings – Exemption Area/Air Bags - ISSUED 24/05/04**

Application column item “d” provides an exemption from the radius requirements to areas of the instrument panel where an air bag is fitted forward of the driver or front seat passenger position.

Where there are no airbags fitted no exemption will be applicable (other than that applied by the Annex “Specified zone Exempt Areas”).

Where an air bag is fitted forward of the driver’s seating position only, the exemption provided by the Annex will apply.

Where there are air bags forward of all front seating positions, the exemption will apply to all of the Instrument Panel.

Where there are twin air bags (forward of driver and n/s passenger), but no air bag forward of a centre front passenger position, the “instrument panel” criteria must be applied to the area forward of the centre position and between the vertical planes taken on the left /right outer limits of the head impact zone for that position.

Following item “d”, please add the following:-

NOTE: Where there is a driver’s air bag only, the exemption will apply as in the Annex to this section. Where there are air bags in front of each seating position the exemption will apply to all of the instrument panel. Where there are twin air bags but no air bag forward of a centre front passenger position, the instrument panel criteria will apply between the vertical planes taken on the left /right outer limits of the head impact zone appropriate to the seating position.