

IM 13 - Exterior Projections - Interior / Exterior Assessment - ISSUED 16/03/04

The application column (on page 2) includes guidance on how to establish the position of the boundary between vehicle interior and exterior. This has been amended to further clarify the situation. Please replace the current paragraph with the following text –

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Where a vehicle is not fitted with a facility to attach a hood/roof the interior/exterior boundary should be taken to be the mid point between interior and exterior on for example the windscreen pillar, top edge of body side and top edge of door. Where the rear of the passenger compartment abuts a body panel that extends towards the rear of the vehicle (or the front of the passenger compartment abuts the front scuttle/bonnet panel and no windscreen is fitted) the interior/exterior boundary shall be 25mm towards the rear (in the case of the rear of the passenger compartment) and front (in the case of the front) of the abutment. This is a subjective judgement to be made by the examiner. The interior is the passenger compartment including any luggage space within the same compartment. Other areas of the vehicle are considered to be exterior including open luggage areas. Where the vehicle has a detachable (or fold back) hood/roof, the interior shall be taken to be the area covered by the hood/roof. (See IM 6 Annex 3)