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and date of manufacture (month, year) of the owners' child restraint systems.

**§ 588.6 Record retention.**

Each manufacturer, or manufacturer's designee, shall maintain the information specified in § 588.5 of this part for a registered restraint system for a period of not less than six years from the date of manufacture of that restraint system.

**PART 589—UPPER INTERIOR COMPONENT HEAD IMPACT PROTECTION PHASE-IN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 322, 30111, 30115, 30117, and 30166; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

SOURCE: 60 FR 43061, Aug. 18, 1995, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 589.1 Scope.**

This part establishes requirements for manufacturers of passenger cars and trucks and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms or less and buses with a gross vehicle weight rating of 3,860 kilograms or less to respond to NHTSA inquiries, to submit a report, and maintain records related to the report, concerning the number of such vehicles that meet the upper interior component head impact protection requirements of Standard No. 201, *Occupant protection in interior impact* (49 CFR 571.201).

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**§ 589.2 Purpose.**

This purpose of these reporting requirements is to aid the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in determining whether a manufacturer of passenger cars and trucks and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross

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vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms or less and buses with a gross vehicle weight rating of 3,860 kilograms or less has complied with the upper interior component head impact protection requirements of Standard No. 201.

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**§ 589.3 Applicability.**

This part applies to manufacturers of passenger cars and trucks and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms or less and buses with a gross vehicle weight rating of 3,860 kilograms or less. However, this part does not apply to any manufacturers whose production consists exclusively of walk-in vans, vehicles manufactured in two or more stages, and vehicles that are altered after previously having been certified in accordance with part 567 of this chapter.

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**§ 589.4 Definitions.**

(a) All terms defined in 49 U.S.C. 30102 are used in their statutory meaning.

(b) Bus, gross vehicle weight rating or GVWR, multipurpose passenger vehicle, passenger car, and truck are used as defined in § 571.3 of this chapter.

(c) *Production year* means the 12-month period between September 1 of one year and August 31 of the following year, inclusive.

**§ 589.5 Response to inquiries.**

During the production years ending August 31, 1999, August 31, 2000, August 31, 2001, and August 31, 2002, each manufacturer shall, upon request from the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, provide information regarding which vehicle make/models are certified as complying with the requirements of S6 of Standard No. 201.

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**§ 589.6 Reporting requirements.**

(a) *Phase-in selection reporting requirement.* Within 60 days after the end of the production year ending August 31, 1999, each manufacturer choosing to comply with one of the phase-in schedules permitted by S6.1 of 49 CFR 571.201

shall submit a report to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration stating which phase-in schedule it will comply with until September 1, 2002. Each report shall—

- (1) Identify the manufacturer;
- (2) State the full name, title, and address of the official responsible for preparing the report;
- (3) Identify the section number for the phase-in schedule selected;
- (4) Be written in the English language; and
- (5) Be submitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590.

(b) *General reporting requirements.* Within 60 days after the end of the production years ending August 31, 1999, August 31, 2000, August 31, 2001, and August 31, 2002, each manufacturer shall submit a report to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration concerning its compliance with the upper interior component head impact protection requirements of Standard No. 201 for its passenger cars, trucks, buses and multipurpose passenger vehicles produced in that year. Each report shall—

- (1) Identify the manufacturer;
- (2) State the full name, title, and address of the official responsible for preparing the report;
- (3) Identify the production year being reported on;
- (4) Contain a statement regarding whether or not the manufacturer complied with the upper interior component head impact protection requirements of the amended Standard No. 201 for the period covered by the report and the basis for that statement;
- (5) Provide the information specified in § 589.6(c);
- (6) Be written in the English language; and
- (7) Be submitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590.

(c) *Report content—(1) Basis for phase-in production goals.* Each manufacturer shall provide the number of passenger cars and trucks and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a GVWR of 4,536 kilograms or less and buses with a GVWR of 3,860 kilograms or less manu-

factured for sale in the United States for each of the three previous production years, or, at the manufacturer's option, for the current production year. A new manufacturer that has not previously manufactured passenger cars and trucks and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a GVWR of 4,536 kilograms or less and buses with a GVWR of 3,860 kilograms or less for sale in the United States must report the number of such vehicles manufactured during the current production year. However, manufacturers are not required to report any information with respect to those vehicles that are walk-in van type vehicles, vehicles manufactured in two or more stages, and/or vehicles that are altered after previously having been certified in accordance with part 567 of this chapter.

(2) *Production.* Each manufacturer shall report for the production year for which the report is filed the number of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles and trucks with a GVWR of 4,536 kilograms or less and buses with a GVWR of 3,860 kilograms or less that meet the upper interior component head impact protection requirements (S6) of Standard No. 201.

(3) *Vehicles produced by more than one manufacturer.* Each manufacturer whose reporting of information is affected by one or more of the express written contracts permitted by S6.1.6.2 of Standard No. 201 shall:

- (i) Report the existence of each contract, including the names of all parties to the contract, and explain how the contract affects the report being submitted.
- (ii) Report the actual number of vehicles covered by each contract.

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#### § 589.7 Records.

Each manufacturer shall maintain records of the Vehicle Identification Number for each passenger car, multipurpose passenger vehicle, truck and bus for which information is reported under § 589.6(c)(2) until December 31, 2003.

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**§ 589.8 Petition to extend period to file report.**

A petition for extension of the time to submit a report must be received not later than 15 days before expiration of the time stated in § 589.6(b). The petition must be submitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. The filing of a petition does not automatically extend the time for filing a report. A petition will be granted only if the petitioner shows good cause for the extension, and if the extension is consistent with the public interest.

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**PART 590—BACK DOOR LATCH, HINGE, AND LOCK PHASE-IN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 322, 30111, 30115, 30117, and 30166; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

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**§ 590.1 Scope.**

This part establishes requirements for manufacturers of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less to respond to NHTSA inquiries, to submit reports, and maintain records related to such reports, concerning the number of such vehicles that meet the back door latch, hinge, and lock requirements of Standard No. 206, *Door locks and door retention components* (49 CFR 571.206).

**§ 590.2 Purpose.**

The purpose of these reporting requirements is to aid the NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle

weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less has complied with the back door latch, hinge, and lock requirements of Standard No. 206.

**§ 590.3 Applicability.**

This part applies to manufacturers of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less. However, this part does not apply to those motor vehicles excluded from the requirements of Standard No. 206.

**§ 590.4 Definitions.**

(a) All terms defined in 49 U.S.C. 30102 are used in their statutory meanings.

(b) Gross vehicle weight rating, multipurpose passenger vehicle, and passenger car are used as defined in § 571.3 of this chapter.

(c) *Production year* means the 12-month period between September 1 of one year and August 31 of the following year, inclusive.

**§ 590.5 Response to inquiries.**

During the production year ending August 31, 1998, each manufacturer shall, upon request from the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, this agency, provide information regarding which vehicle makes/models are certified as complying with the provisions of S4 and S5, Standard No. 206.

**§ 590.6 Reporting requirements.**

(a) *General reporting requirements.* Within 60 days after the end of the production year ending August 31, 1998, each manufacturer shall submit a report to NHTSA concerning the manufacturer's compliance with the latch, hinge, and lock requirements of this standard for the back doors of its passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds or less) produced in that year. Each report shall:

- (1) Identify the manufacturer;
- (2) State the full name, title, and address of the official responsible for preparation of the report;
- (3) Identify the production year being reported on;