## Head Restraint Height Measurement H-point vs. R-point

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Head Restraint Informal Working Group Meeting April 11-13, 2005



HR-2-6

## H-Point vs. R-point

- New FMVSS No. 202 defines height as the distance from the H-point measured parallel to the torso reference line defined by the SAE J826 manikin.
  - Torso angle set to 25 degrees.
  - Previously the reference point was the SgRP (seating reference point defined in SAE J1100).
- ECE 17 uses the R-point, which is equivalent to the SgRP.

R-point must be within ± 25 mm of H-point with torso angle within 5 deg. of design angle.



HR-2-6

# H-Point vs. R-point

#### Using R-point (SgRP)

- SgRP defined with the seat in the rearmost "normal" design driving or riding position.
  - Defined at a time when the only seat adjustment was seat back angle.
- SgRP location in space referenced from fiduciary marks provide by manufacturer.

#### Using J826 manikin (H-point)

- Adjust seat for worse case height.
- Measure seat as it exists.
  - Takes into consideration upholstery characteristics.
  - Takes into consideration manufacturing variability.



# Height Measurement Variability

## Using J826 manikin

- Seat setup
- Positioning of J826 manikin

### Using R-point

- Seat setup
- Locating point is space from fiduciary references
- Making the measurement



## Conclusions

- Using the J826 manikin and H-point is preferred over the R-point for the following reasons:
  - Allows measurement of the seat in its worstcase configuration.
  - Allows measurement of the seat as it exists.





HR - 2 - 6