AECS REGULATION

POST-CRASH CHECK WITH HMI METHOD



Context

- Homologation time to be consider for one new function
 - Part I AECD (~4 weeks)
 - Part II AECD installation (~2 days or more)

→ OEM aim to build harmonized and optimized testing plans

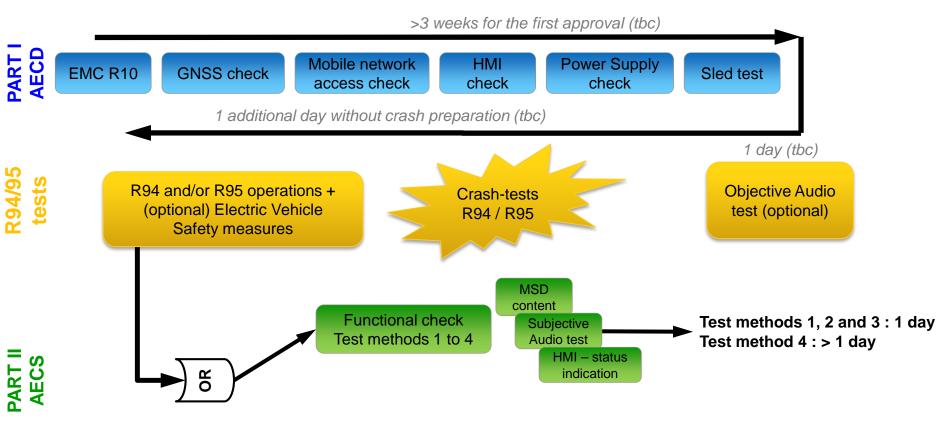
- **It exists currently 4 test methods** using the over-the-air transmission for the MSD and voice call via a real or simulated PLMN and GNSS networks, or using the wired method.
- These test methods will interfere with R94/R95 homologation procedures because focused after each crash test
- It exists other approval protocols already used by technical services which uses vehicle HMI (e.g. EMC)

Constraints

- For methods 1 to 4, AECS post-crash approval is included within the R94/R95 protocol (after each crash test)
- Specificities of Electrical Vehicle which increase the verification time after crash (~30 minutes)
- Need a network coverage within crash facilities or a specific location to conduct the post-crash tests after the moving of the crashed car

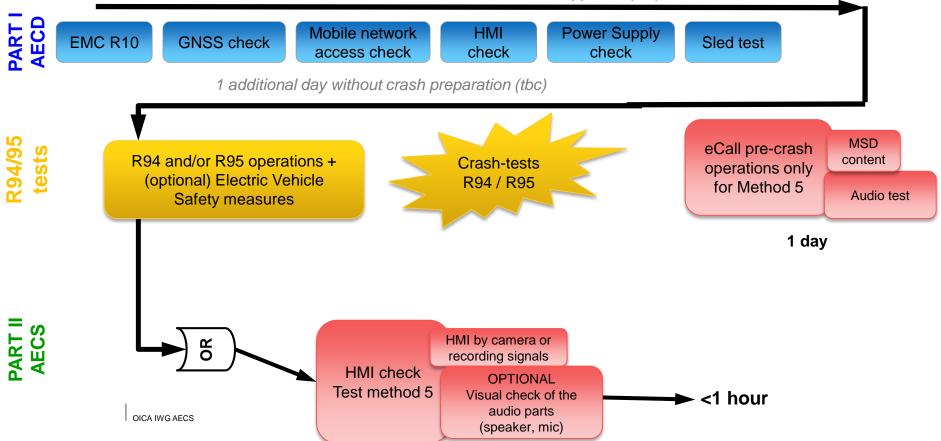
Take into account the AECD power supply autonomy in the above cases (e.g. Backup battery)

AECD/AECS test phases for test methods 1 to 4



AECD/AECS test phases for test method 5 : HMI check

>3 weeks for the first approval (tbc)



Synthesis

Benefits

- The main operations are now <u>pre-crash</u>, and can be done without time constrains just before the R94 or R95 homologation, and outside the crash area.
- Very fast post-crash check through video camera, or electrical signals recording, by checking a HMI's sequence.
- Drawback
 - Need to have an extended self-test strategy within AECD/AECS



HMI check procedure proposal

Requirements

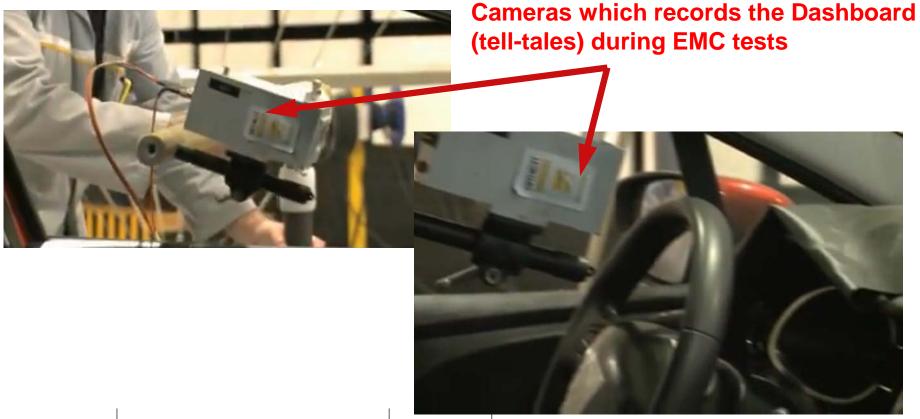
HMI check / Test method 5 can be <u>only</u> used if the in-vehicle AECD/AECS is capable :

1- to check and diagnose the electrical connections between all of the following devices :

- AECD control module
- PLMN communication module + antenna
- GNSS receiver + antenna
- Power source (from vehicle or back-up source)
- Warning/Information device (HMI)
- Hand free audio equipment (microphone, speaker)

2- to discriminate a network failure from an internal failure of the AECD Unit, the communication with GNSS and mobile networks and PSAP is deemed to be compliant if no internal failure warning is indicated by the vehicle HMI.

Pre-crash procedure



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Pre-crash procedure

These operations are to be done <u>before</u> the R94 (frontal) and/or the R95 (Lateral) crash tests :

1- Functional check by test methods 1 to 4 following a manual call :

- Conformity of the content of the MSD (location, time stamp, vehicle identification)

- Hands-free voice communication assessment. For this specific procedure, the possibility to use the subjective voice intelligibility test method should be allowed, as in European eCall with the rated performance at least "3" (appendix 3 to Annex 9), the objective test could also be chosen at the demand of applicant.

2- Installation in the vehicle of the video camera needed to check all HMI involved during an emergency call, or a recorder for all HMI signals.

Post-crash procedure : HMI check

After the R94 or R95 crash, the technical service will check the recording of the video camera or the recorded HMI signals, to verify if the HMI sequence defined by the manufacturer is conform.

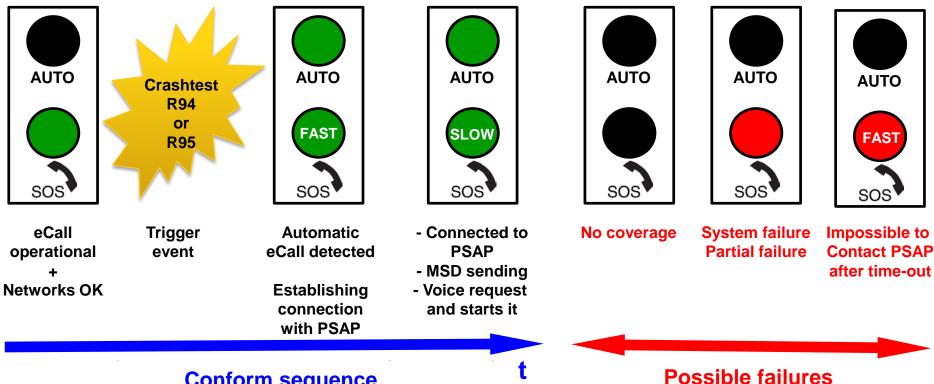
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A visual check could be done to verify the damage on the audio parts (loud-speaker and the microphone).

Post-crash procedure : HMI check



Example of a sequence of HMI during a crash test, and possible failures.



Conform sequence



Visual inspection of audio parts

Post-crash procedure : Visual inspection of audio parts

STATEMENT:

From point of view of functioning principle, a microphone and a loud-speaker are based on the same electrical, mechanical and physical principles.

EXPERIMENT:

What is the behaviour of a loud-speaker in function of its mechanical damage ?



Let's listen and compare the effects of different damages on a loud-speaker

Post-crash procedure : Visual inspection of audio parts



Loud Speaker 1 in good condition



Loud Speaker 2 half of the membran is cutted



Loud Speaker 3 membran and frame are cutted in 2 locations

Tests sentences from ITU website Male Female

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Post-crash procedure : Visual inspection of audio parts

What is your opinion regarding the inteligibility of these differents sentences in several language ?

- Have you had some trouble to understand the sentence in your native language ? For each damaged loud-speaker ?

- Only a « severe mechanical damage » of the loud speaker or the microphone, or the impossibility to visually check these parts, could lead a complementary audio subjectif test, at the demand of technical service.