

**MOTOR VEHICLES DEPARTMENT, KERALA
TRANSPORT COMMISSIONERATE**

Dated: **03-09-2025**

From: Transport Commissioner
Kerala

To: 1. All Regional Transport Officers
2. All Regional Transport Officers (Enforcement)
3. All Joint Regional Transport Officers

Sub:- Motor Vehicles Dept- Mandatory Installation and Training on Blind Spot Mirrors for Heavy Transport and Educational Institution Buses- Reg.

Ref:- Decisions of STA Meeting dated 08/08/2025

Referring to the decisions taken during the recent meeting of the **State Transport Authority**, the following directions are hereby issued for **immediate implementation and strict compliance**:

1. Mandatory Installation Requirement:

The **installation of blind spot mirrors** on all **Heavy Transport Vehicles** and **Educational Institution Buses** is hereby declared a **mandatory requirement for passing the vehicle fitness test**, effective from **01.11.2025**.

This directive aims to reduce road accidents, enhance public and pedestrian safety, and prevent fatalities—particularly among two-wheeler riders—caused by vehicles in the driver's blind spot.

2. Driver Training:

All RTOs are directed to organize and provide **proper training programs** on the **use and importance of blind spot mirrors** for drivers of:

- Stage Carriages
- Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs)
- Heavy Passenger Vehicles (HPVs)
- Educational Institution Buses
- Contract Carriages, etc.

3. Driving Test Compliance:

All **MVIs/AMVIs** responsible for conducting driving tests must ensure that candidates:

- Are fully aware of the function and significance of blind spot mirrors

- Demonstrate the correct usage of blind spot mirrors during the **practical road test**

4. **Driving School Guidelines:**

All RTOs shall issue **guidelines to all licensed driving schools** within their jurisdiction, directing them to:

- Incorporate **training on blind spot mirror usage** into their curriculum
- Ensure candidates are properly trained before being presented for the driving test

These measures are to be strictly enforced in the interest of public safety. Periodic compliance reviews will be conducted, and RTO's are requested to maintain appropriate training and implementation records.

Yours faithfully

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