

## AIRBAG OPERATION

Airbags provide additional protection in certain types of collision only - they do not replace the need to wear a seat belt. All occupants, in all seating positions, should always wear their seat belt, whether or not an airbag is present in that seating position.

 **For the airbags to operate correctly, the roof lining and door post trims must be in good condition, correctly fitted, and free from obstruction. Any damage, wear, or incorrect fitment should be referred to your Retailer/ Authorised Repairer as soon as possible, for examination and repair.**

 **Airbags inflate at high speeds and can cause facial abrasions and other injuries. To minimise the risk of injury, make sure all vehicle occupants wear correctly positioned seat belts, sit correctly in the seats, and position the seats as far back as is practical.**

 **Airbag inflation takes place instantaneously and cannot protect against the effects of secondary impacts. Under these circumstances, the only protection will be provided by a correctly worn seat belt.**

Airbag deployment is dependent on the rate at which the passenger compartment changes velocity following the collision. Circumstances affecting different collisions (vehicle speed, angle of impact, type and size of object hit, etc.), vary considerably and will affect the rate of deceleration accordingly.

The airbags and Supplementary Restraint System (SRS) are not designed to operate as a result of:

- Rear impacts.
- Minor front impacts.
- Minor side impacts.

- Heavy braking.
- Driving over bumps and pot holes.

Therefore, it follows that considerable superficial damage to the vehicle can occur, without causing the airbags to deploy.

 **High speed impacts may cause serious injury or death, irrespective of safety features fitted to a vehicle.**

 **The airbag SRS cannot provide protection in some types of impact. Under these circumstances, the only protection will be provided by a correctly worn seat belt.**

## AIRBAG OBSTRUCTION

 **Do not obstruct the operation of the airbags by placing any part of your person or any objects in contact with, or close to, an airbag module. If the airbag inflates, objects or any part of your person could interfere with the inflation of the airbag or be propelled inside the vehicle, causing injury to the occupants.**

 **Do not allow passengers to obstruct the operation of the airbags by placing feet, knees, or any other part of the body, or any other objects in contact with, or in close proximity to, an airbag module.**

**Do not place objects between the airbag module and the seat occupant. If the airbag inflates, objects or any part of their person could interfere with the inflation of the airbag, or be propelled inside the vehicle, causing injury to the occupants.**