# **Crash Tests**

# **New Car Safety**

# Mitsubishi Outlander

07/2003 on 06/2007 - Dual Frontal

**Overall Evaluation** 



Overall Score
Variant: 4 Dr Wagon

27.99 out of 37 Engine: 2.4 Litre 4 Cyl Category: Medium SUV

## **Model History and Safety Features**

The Mitsubishi Outlander was introduced in 2003.

Dual front airbags are standard equipment. ABS brakes and side airbags are available as part of a package but were not on the tested vehicles.

The front seat belt buckles are mounted on the seats and the upper anchorages are adjustable. These features improve the fit of the seat belt. Pre-tensioners are fitted to the front seat belts to reduce slack in the event of a crash. A three point seat belt is fitted to the centre rear seat. This provides better protection than a two point seat belt. Child restraint top tether anchorages are conveniently located on the back of the rear seat.

#### **Overall Evaluation: 4**

The Mitsubishi Outlander scored 13.03 out of 16 in the offset crash test.

The passenger compartment held its shape well in the offset crash test. Protection from serious chest injury was marginal for the driver.

The vehicle scored 14.97 out of 16 in the side impact crash test. There was a slight risk of serious chest and abdomen injury for the driver.

#### **Frontal Offset Crash Test**

Body region scores out of 4 points each: Head/neck 4pts, chest 2.19pts, upper legs 4pts, lower legs 2.84pts.

The passenger compartment held its shape well in the offset crash test. The front part of the driver's floor was pushed rearwards 138mm. The brake pedal moved rearwards by 99mm and upwards 30mm, relative to the driver's seat. The dash moved 20mm towards the driver. The steering wheel hub moved forwards 18mm, upwards 26mm and sideways 5mm, relative to the driver's seat. The front ("A") pillar moved 29mm rearwards. The width of the driver's doorway shortened by 27mm. All doors remained closed during the crash. After the crash all doors could be opened with normal effort.

The airbag cushioned the head of the driver and contact was stable. There were no modifiers for knee protection but the design of the steering column could be improved in this regard. The passenger's head was cushioned by the airbag.

### Side Impact Crash Test

Body region scores out of 4 points each: Head 4pts, chest 3.74pts, abdomen 3.23pts, pelvis 4pts.

The vehicle was not eligible for a Pole Impact Test since it did not have headprotecting side airbags. This test can earn eligible vehicles an extra two points.

## Pedestrian rating (v4)



4.63 points out of 36.

Child head impacts 2pts; Adult head impacts 2.63pts; Upper leg zero pts and lower leg impacts zero pts. Offset crash test at 64km/hr



**Injury Measurements** 

Refer to the information sheet	Offset Crash Test at 64km/h		Side Impact
'How the tests are done'	(v4)		Crash Test aa
			50km/h (v4)
	Driver	Passn	Driver
Head			
- HIC	395	413	59
- Acceleration (g for 3ms)	50.9	47.4	40.1
Neck			
- Shear (kN)	0.52	0.42	
- Tension (kN)	1.34	1.19	
- Extension (Nm)	9.1	15.4	
Chest			
- Acceleration (g for 3ms)	39.1	32.9	
- Compression (mm)	34.7	31.6	23.31
- Viscous Criterion (m/s)	0.14	0.11	0.23
Abdomen			
- Force (kN)			1.29
Pelvis			
- Force (kN)			2.2
Upper Legs Force (kN)			
- Left	1.79	0.91	
- Right	0.74	0.59	
Knee Displacement (kN)			
- Left	2.48	2.25	
- Right	0.27	2.31	
Lower Legs Force (kN)			
- Left	1.25	1.69	
- Right	1.89	2.3	
Index (Upper   Lower)			
- Left	0.41   0.66	0.18   0.24	
- Right	0.49   0.37	0.22   0.21	

Bonus points (maximum 5)
Pole Test: Not eligible

Seat Belt Reminders: None

Modifiers for offset test scores

Head No deduction
Chest No deduction
Upper leg Variable & conc. loading No deduction
Lower leg No deduction
Foot score Score 4 points
Structure No deduction

Modifiers for side impact test scores

Head Not assessed
Chest Not assessed
Upper leg Not assessed
Lower leg Not assessed
Foot score Not assessed
Structure Not assessed



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