



Daewoo Matiz

RATING	SCORE
ADULT OCCUPANT ★★☆☆☆	19 Front: 6 Side: 13
PEDESTRIAN ★☆☆☆☆	15 Pre 2002 rating

Adult occupant protection



Frontal impact driver



Frontal impact passenger



Side impact driver

Green	GOOD
Yellow	ADEQUATE
Orange	MARGINAL
Brown	WEAK
Red	POOR

Child restraints

18 month old Child	Britax Club Class Extra, rearward facing
3 year old Child	Britax Supercruiser, forward facing

Pedestrian protection

No image car front available

Safety equipment

Front seatbelt pretensioners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Front seatbelt load limiters	<input type="checkbox"/>
Driver frontal airbag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Front passenger frontal airbag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Side body airbags	<input type="checkbox"/>
Side head airbags	<input type="checkbox"/>
Driver knee airbag	<input type="checkbox"/>
ISOfix front	<input type="checkbox"/>
ISOfix rear	<input type="checkbox"/>

Car details

Hand of drive	RHD
Tested model	Daewoo Matiz SE+
Body type	5 door hatchback
Year of publication	2000
Kerb weight	828
VIN from which rating applies	Jan 2000 YC461799

Comments

A reasonable performance with the survival space mostly maintained but compromised by chest contact with the steering wheel and problems in the footwell. Child restraints had problems, but there is a better than most pedestrian performance though.

Front impact

Protection is provided by driver's and passenger's airbags and with pretensioners on the seatbelts to prevent slack so preventing excessive forward movement in a crash. After problems found during the initial Euro NCAP test the pretensioners were included as standard items on this model and were subjected to a retest. Despite this the driver still contacted the steering wheel with his chest which lost marks. Hard structures under the fascia were hazardous to the driver's knees, and the brake pedal was hazardous to the feet. A rear seat belt released late in the test by being struck by some object in the car. Daewoo took prompt action to ensure premature release cannot happen again by installing improved rear seat belts on all cars produced from June 2000. Only a simple two point static belt was fitted in the centre rear seat, which can cause severe spinal and abdominal injuries.

Side impact

The head and chest results were good. The arm rest on the door loaded the abdomen and the door trim below the arm rest loaded the pelvis. Overall this is a creditable performance from a car without a side airbag.

Child occupant

The child restraints for the 1½-year-old had to be fitted with the adult seatbelt using an alternative belt route to prevent incompatibility between the child restraint and the seatbelt buckle. This could easily lead to misuse especially as the labelling was not good. Overall the performance of this child restraints was poor. The 3-year-old restraint was very poor in the frontal

crash and failed to contain the head in side impact. This performance was not helped by the problems with the rear seat buckle mentioned above.

Pedestrian

The pedestrian performance was close to gaining three stars with only the lower leg performance being poor. Unusually the front edge of the bonnet was relatively kind.