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Five stars for new ŠKODA Fabia in Euro NCAP crash tests

- > Results underline top-level safety of the new ŠKODA Fabia
- > Small car provides outstanding occupant protection for adults and children
- > Innovative safety systems: ESC with Multi-Collision Brake, Front Assistant with City Emergency Braking Function, fatigue detection, Speedlimiter
- > Highest level of passive safety: six airbags as standard in EU countries

Mladá Boleslav, 5 November 2014 – The new ŠKODA Fabia has been awarded the maximum five-star rating in the Euro NCAP crash tests. The outstanding test results underline the high-level safety of the new small car from ŠKODA which is going to be launched on the first European markets in the next couple of days. The Euro NCAP rating is based on results for occupant protection for adults and children, pedestrian protection and safety assistance systems.

"One of the aims of the new ŠKODA Fabia development was to bring top-level safety performance to the small car segment," says ŠKODA Board Member for Technical Development, Dr Frank Welsch. "The maximum five star rating is confirmation by independent experts that we have achieved this goal and it shows that the new ŠKODA Fabia is one of the safest small cars in the market," says Dr Welsch.

The new ŠKODA Fabia received the maximum five-star rating in all four areas (**occupant protection for adults, child safety, safety assistance systems** and **pedestrian protection**). The testers particularly emphasised the stability of the passenger compartment. For the protection of 18-month-old children the new ŠKODA Fabia achieved maximum points, and the protection of 3-year-old children was also awarded high marks.

The new ŠKODA Fabia scored well thanks to innovative safety features that were previously reserved for higher vehicle segments. The optional Front Assistant with integrated Emergency Braking Function makes a debut in the new ŠKODA Fabia. This system uses a radar sensor to continually measure the distance to the traffic ahead. Whenever the distance is too small, the Assistant intervenes – from warnings to automatic emergency stop. Also making a debut in the new ŠKODA Fabia is the Multi-Collision Brake which is part of the Electronic Stability Control (ESC) fitted as standard to the model. The Multi-Collision Brake reduces the risk of the vehicle becoming involved in a subsequent collision following an accident.

Also available for the first time in the new ŠKODA Fabia is the optional Driver Activity Assistant (fatigue detection). Other safety systems include Speedlimiter, Hill-Hold Control and an electronic tyre pressure monitor.











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The new ŠKODA Fabia's comprehensive and perfectly aligned safety package provides the best possible protection in case of an accident. Up to six airbags – front, side and head airbags – in combination with five three-point seat belts protect the occupants in case of a collision. High body rigidity and specifically optimised body crumple zones form the basis for the high passive safety.

Euro NCAP (European New Car Assessment Programme) is an independent consortium of European ministries for transport, motoring clubs, insurers and consumer groups. The organisation carries out crash tests with new car models and assesses their safety.

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- > is one of the longest-established vehicle production companies in the world. In 1895, the Czech headquarters in Mladá Boleslav began producing bicycles, followed afterwards with the production of motorbikes and cars.
- > currently has seven passenger car models: Citigo, Fabia, Roomster/Praktik, Rapid, Octavia, Yeti and Superb.
- > delivered around 920,800 vehicles to customers worldwide in 2013.
- has belonged to Volkswagen since 1991. The VW Group is one of the most successful automotive groups in the world. ŠKODA, in association with the Group, independently manufactures and develops vehicles, as well as components, engines and gear transmissions.
- > operates at three locations in the Czech Republic, produces in China, Russia, Slovakia and India mainly through Group partnerships, as well as in Ukraine and Kazakhstan through local partners.
- > employs over 25,800 people globally and is active in more than 100 markets.





