



Blade Electric Vehicles

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Blade Electron passes crash test with flying colours

Australia's first commercial electric car, the Blade Electron, has passed the frontal offset crash test required under Australian Design Rule 73/00.

"The excellent test result proves that the Electron is a safe vehicle according to Australia's stringent standards and further demonstrates Blade's commitment to the safety of its customers", said Blade Electric Vehicles founder, Ross Blade.

In 2009 VICroads stated that there was clear evidence to show changing the drive system in a production vehicle can lead to the failure of safety systems such as air bags during a collision. Blade's immediate response was to arrange for the Electron to be crash tested. The results prove beyond doubt that Blade's remanufacture of the Hyundai Getz to electric drive has kept all existing safety features fully functional.

The complete test results can be viewed at BEV's website, www.bev.com.au.

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