

TESLA MODEL 3



APPLIES TO
All variants

BUILT FROM
September 2023

RATING CRITERIA
2023-2025

VEHICLE TYPE
Medium Car

ON SALE FROM
September 2023

RATING EXPIRES
December 2031

ENGINE / MOTOR TYPES
Battery Electric

MODEL SERIES
N/A

AIRBAGS
Dual frontal, side chest,
side head, centre



ANCAP
SAFETY

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2025



The Tesla Model 3 was introduced in Australia and New Zealand in August 2019. This ANCAP safety rating applies to all variants built from and on sale from September 2023. A separate rating applies to Tesla Model 3 vehicles built prior to September 2023.

Dual frontal, side chest-protecting and side head-protecting airbags are standard. A centre airbag which provides added protection to front seat occupants in side impact crashes is also standard.

Autonomous emergency braking (Car-to-Car, Vulnerable Road User, Junction & Crossing, Backover and Head-On) as well as a lane support system with lane keep assist (LKA), lane departure warning (LDW) and emergency lane keeping (ELK), and an advanced speed assistance system (SAS) are standard equipment.

ASSESSMENT SCORES



Adult Occupant Protection

90%

36.38 out of 40



Child Occupant Protection

95%

46.60 out of 49



Vulnerable Road User Protection

89%

56.17 out of 63



Safety Assist

88%

15.91 out of 18

RATING APPLICABILITY*

VARIANT	BODY TYPE	ENGINE / POWERTRAIN	DRIVETRAIN	AUS	NZ
Tesla Model 3 Rear-Wheel Drive	4 door sedan	Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV)	RWD	✓	✓
Tesla Model 3 Long Range All-Wheel Drive	4 door sedan	Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV)	AWD	✓	✓
Tesla Model 3 Performance All-Wheel Drive	4 door sedan	Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV)	AWD	✓	✓

* Correct at time of publication. Subject to change. Check with manufacturer.



Adult Occupant Protection

90%

36.38 out of 40

FRONTAL OFFSET (MPDB)*
5.81 points out of 8

OBLIQUE POLE*
6.00 points out of 6

RESCUE & EXTRICATION
3.00 points out of 4

FULL WIDTH FRONTAL*
7.57 points out of 8

WHIPLASH PROTECTION
4.00 points out of 4

SIDE IMPACT*
6.00 points out of 6

FAR SIDE IMPACT
4.00 points out of 4

* Scaled scores. Total test scored out of 16.00 points.

The passenger compartment of the Tesla Model 3 remained stable in the **frontal offset (MPDB)** test. ADEQUATE protection was seen for the chest of the driver and the lower legs of both the driver and passenger. Protection for all other critical body regions for the driver and the front passenger was GOOD.

The front structure of the Tesla Model 3 presented a moderate risk to occupants of an oncoming vehicle in the MPDB test (which evaluates vehicle-to-vehicle compatibility), and a 2.84 point penalty (out of 8.00 points) was applied.

In the **full width frontal** test, protection of the driver dummy was GOOD for all critical body areas. Protection was ADEQUATE for the neck and MARGINAL for the chest of the rear passenger, with GOOD protection of all other critical body areas.

In the **side impact** and **oblique pole** tests, protection offered to all critical body regions was GOOD and the Tesla Model 3 scored maximum points in these tests.

The Tesla Model 3 is equipped with a centre airbag to protect against occupant-to-occupant interaction in side impacts and it provided GOOD protection for the head of both front seat occupants.

Prevention of excursion (movement towards the other side of the vehicle) in the **far side impact** tests was assessed as GOOD for the vehicle-to-vehicle impact scenario, and ADEQUATE in the vehicle-to-pole scenario.

A Rescue Sheet, providing information for first responders in the event of a crash is available, and a multi-collision braking system is fitted. It was demonstrated that, if the car entered water, the doors and windows of the Tesla Model 3 would remain functional for the minimum required time period.

FRONTAL OFFSET (MPDB) TEST - 50km/h



	DRIVER	FRONT PASSENGER
Head / Neck	4.00 pts	4.00 pts
Chest	2.73 pts	4.00 pts
Upper Legs	4.00 pts	4.00 pts
Lower Legs	3.73 pts	3.73 pts
Deductions	Nil	Nil



COMPATIBILITY	
Deductions	-2.84 pts

FULL WIDTH FRONTAL TEST - 50km/h



	DRIVER	REAR PASSENGER
Head	4.00 pts	4.00 pts
Neck	4.00 pts	3.94 pts
Chest	4.00 pts	2.35 pts
Upper Legs	4.00 pts	4.00 pts
Deductions	Nil	Nil

SIDE IMPACT TEST - 60km/h



	DRIVER
Head	4.00 pts
Chest	4.00 pts
Abdomen	4.00 pts
Pelvis	4.00 pts
Deductions	Nil

OBLIQUE POLE TEST - 32km/h



	DRIVER
Head	4.00 pts
Chest	4.00 pts
Abdomen	4.00 pts
Pelvis	4.00 pts
Deductions	Nil

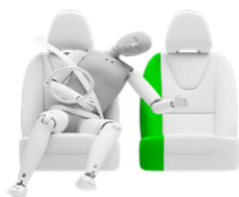


Adult Occupant Protection

90%

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FAR SIDE IMPACT TESTS - 60km/h and 32km/h



SIDE IMPACT (60km/h)	DRIVER
Head	4.00 pts
Neck	4.00 pts
Chest & Abdomen	4.00 pts
Pelvis	No penalty



OBLIQUE POLE (32km/h)	DRIVER
Head	4.00 pts
Neck	4.00 pts
Chest & Abdomen	4.00 pts
Pelvis	No penalty



OCCUPANT-TO-OCCUPANT	
Head Contact	No penalty

WHIPLASH PROTECTION TESTS



	DRIVER / FRONT PASSENGER	REAR PASSENGER
Rear Impact	3.00 pts	1.00 pts

RESCUE & EXTRICATION



Rescue Sheet	●	No penalty
Door Opening / Extrication	●	No penalty
Multi-Collision Braking	●	1.00 pt
Advanced eCall	✗	1.00 pt default
Vehicle Submergence		
- Door opening	●	0.50 pt
- Window opening	●	0.50 pt

● FITTED TO TEST CAR AS STANDARD ● NOT FITTED TO TEST CAR BUT AVAILABLE AS AN OPTION ✗ NOT AVAILABLE - N/A



Child Occupant Protection

95%

46.60 out of 49

DYNAMIC TEST (FRONT)
16.00 points out of 16

RESTRAINT INSTALLATION
11.60 points out of 12

DYNAMIC TEST (SIDE)
8.00 points out of 8

ON-BOARD SAFETY FEATURES
11.00 points out of 13

In both the **frontal offset** and **side impact** tests, protection was GOOD for all critical body areas for the 6 year and 10 year child dummies.

The Tesla Model 3 is fitted with lower ISOFix anchorages on the rear outboard seats and top tether anchorages for all rear seating positions.

A direct child presence detection (CPD) system, which provides an alert when a child may have been left in the vehicle, is fitted to all seats as standard.

Installation of typical child restraints available in Australia and New Zealand showed most of the selected child restraints could be accommodated in each of the rear seating positions, although one of the selected Type A convertible seats could not be correctly installed in rearward facing mode using the ISOFix anchorages.

FRONTAL OFFSET (MPDB) TEST - 50km/h



6 YEAR OLD

10 YEAR OLD

SIDE IMPACT TEST - 60km/h



10 YEAR OLD

6 YEAR OLD

ON-BOARD SAFETY FEATURES	FRONT PASSENGER	2nd ROW OUTBOARD	2nd ROW CENTRE	3rd ROW OUTBOARD	3rd ROW CENTRE
ISOFIX Anchorages	✗	●	✗	-	-
Top Tether Anchorage	✗	●	●	-	-
Airbag Disabling	●	-	-	-	-
Child Presence Detection 4.00 pts (out of 4.00pts)	●	●	●	-	-

● FITTED AS STANDARD ✗ NOT AVAILABLE - N/A

CHILD RESTRAINT TYPE**		FRONT ROW PASSENGER	2nd ROW			3rd ROW		
			L	C	R	L	C	R
BELTED	Rearward-facing capsule	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
	Rearward-facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
	Rearward-facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
	Forward-facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
	Forward-facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
	Booster - 4 to 8 years	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
	Booster - 4 to 10 years	✗	●	●	●	-	-	-
ISOFIX	Rearward-facing capsule	✗	●	-	●	-	-	-
	Rearward-facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✗	●	-	●	-	-	-
	Rearward-facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✗	●	-	●	-	-	-
	Forward-facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✗	●	-	●	-	-	-
	Forward-facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✗	●	-	●	-	-	-

● INSTALL WITHOUT PROBLEM ● INSTALL WITH CARE ● CANNOT BE FITTED SAFELY ✗ INSTALLATION NOT ALLOWED - N/A

GOOD ADEQUATE MARGINAL WEAK POOR NOT TESTED

NOTE: The child restraints fitted to vehicles tested by Euro NCAP are relevant to the European market. For Australasian consumers, this information should be used as a guide to vehicle features only. The Child Restraint Evaluation Program (CREP) provides an independent assessment on the safety of Australasian child restraints - see www.childcarseats.com.au.
* Installation of each child restraint is assessed separately in each position. Installation of multiple restraints has not been assessed and may not be possible.
^ The list of child restraints has been selected to provide a general indication of the rated vehicle's ability to accommodate various CRS types. ANCAP does not endorse or recommend any one CRS brand or model, nor does it rate the safety of child restraints.



Vulnerable Road User Protection

89%

56.17 out of 63

HEAD PROTECTION (Adult, Child, Cyclist)
12.21 points out of 18

PELVIS PROTECTION
4.50 points out of 4.5

FEMUR PROTECTION
4.50 points out of 4.5

KNEE & TIBIA PROTECTION
9.00 points out of 9

AEB PEDESTRIAN (Forward)
6.96 points out of 7

AEB PEDESTRIAN (Backover)
1.00 points out of 2

AEB CYCLIST
9.00 points out of 9

AEB MOTORCYCLE
6.00 points out of 6

LSS MOTORCYCLE
3.00 points out of 3

The Tesla Model 3 has an 'active' bonnet. Sensors detect when a pedestrian is struck and actuators lift the bonnet to provide greater clearance to stiff components in the engine bay. In **physical impact** tests, the Tesla Model 3 was tested with the bonnet in the raised position, and the bonnet and windscreen provided GOOD or ADEQUATE protection to the head of a struck pedestrian over most of its surface, with MARGINAL and POOR results recorded on the stiff windscreen pillars and at the top and base of the windscreen. Protection of the pelvis, femurs and lower legs was GOOD.

The autonomous emergency braking (AEB) system is capable of detecting and reacting to vulnerable road users such as pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists.

Testing of this system showed GOOD performance in forward **AEB pedestrian** test scenarios, including in turning scenarios, with collisions avoided or mitigated in most tests. The AEB system reacts to vulnerable road users in reverse (**AEB Backover**) although performance was MARGINAL.

GOOD performance was seen in **AEB cyclist** test scenarios with collisions avoided or mitigated at all test speeds, including in turning scenarios. The vehicle provides a warning and prevents door opening when a bicycle is approaching from behind (**cyclist anti-dooring**).

GOOD performance was seen in the **AEB and lane support motorcyclist** tests, including in turning and emergency lane keeping scenarios, earning full points.

PEDESTRIAN & CYCLIST IMPACT TESTS



AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING (Cyclist, Pedestrian & Motorcycle)

System Name	Collision Avoidance Assist
Type	Autonomous emergency braking with forward collision warning
Operational From	1-150 km/h

	Cyclist traveling along road (25%)	Cyclist crossing from kerb (obstructed)	Cyclist traveling along road (50%)	Cyclist crossing (nearside)	Cyclist crossing (farside)	Cyclist crossing side road, car turning (nearside)	Cyclist crossing side road, car turning (farside)
	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY
AEB CYCLIST TEST SCENARIOS (forward)							
PERFORMANCE	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD

CYCLIST DOORING

Information (driver door)	●
Warning (driver door)	●
Retention (driver door)	●
Warning or retention (all other doors)	●

● PASS ✗ FAIL - N/A

■ GOOD
 ■ ADEQUATE
 ■ MARGINAL
 ■ WEAK
 ■ POOR / NOT TESTED DUE TO NO PERFORMANCE PREDICTED
 ■ NOT TESTED



Vulnerable Road User Protection

89%

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AEB PEDESTRIAN TEST SCENARIOS (reverse)	Child / Adult standing behind reversing vehicle (25% offset)	Adult / Child standing behind reversing vehicle (50% offset)	Child / Adult standing behind reversing vehicle (75% offset)	Adult / Child walking behind reversing vehicle (50% offset)
	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY
4km/h				
8km/h				
PERFORMANCE	MARGINAL			

AEB PEDESTRIAN TEST SCENARIOS (forward)	Adult walking along road		Adult crossing towards kerb (50%)		Adult crossing from kerb (25%)		Adult crossing from kerb (75%)		Child running (obstructed)		Adult crossing side road (farside), car turning		Adult crossing side road (nearside), car turning	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
PERFORMANCE														
	GOOD													

AEB MOTORCYCLE TEST SCENARIOS (forward)	Driving towards a stationary motorcycle			Driving towards a braking motorcycle (25% offset)			Turning across the path of an oncoming motorcycle		
	100% OFFSET			12m HEADWAY			TARGET MOTORCYCLE SPEED		
	40m HEADWAY						30km/h	45km/h	60km/h
AEB (10-50km/h)									
FCW (30-80km/h)									
PERFORMANCE	GOOD						GOOD		

LANE SUPPORT SYSTEMS (Car-to-Motorcycle)

System Name	Lane Support Assist
Operational From	50-150 km/h

EMERGENCY LANE KEEPING (ELK) TEST SCENARIOS Car-to-Motorcycle	Oncoming motorcycle	Overtaking motorcycle (EMT at 60km/h)		Overtaking motorcycle (EMT at 80km/h)	
		UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL	UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL
PERFORMANCE					
	GOOD				

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Safety Assist

88%

15.91 out of 18

SEAT BELT REMINDERS
1.00 points out of 1

DRIVER MONITORING
0.35 points out of 2

SPEED ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS
2.81 points out of 3

AEB / AES (Car-to-Car)
3.75 points out of 4

AEB / AES (Junction & Crossing)
4.00 points out of 4

AEB / AES (Head-On)
1.00 points out of 1

LANE SUPPORT SYSTEMS
3.00 points out of 3

The Tesla Model 3 is fitted with an autonomous emergency braking system capable of functioning at highway speeds, a lane support system (LSS) with lane keep assist (LKA) and emergency lane keeping (ELK) functionality, and blind spot monitoring (BSM).

Tests of the **AEB (Car-to-Car)** system showed GOOD performance with collisions avoided or mitigated in all test scenarios, including in AEB Junction and AEB Crossing scenarios where the test vehicle can autonomously brake to avoid crashes when turning across or into the path of an oncoming vehicle. Tests of the **AEB Head-On** system functionality showed GOOD performance.

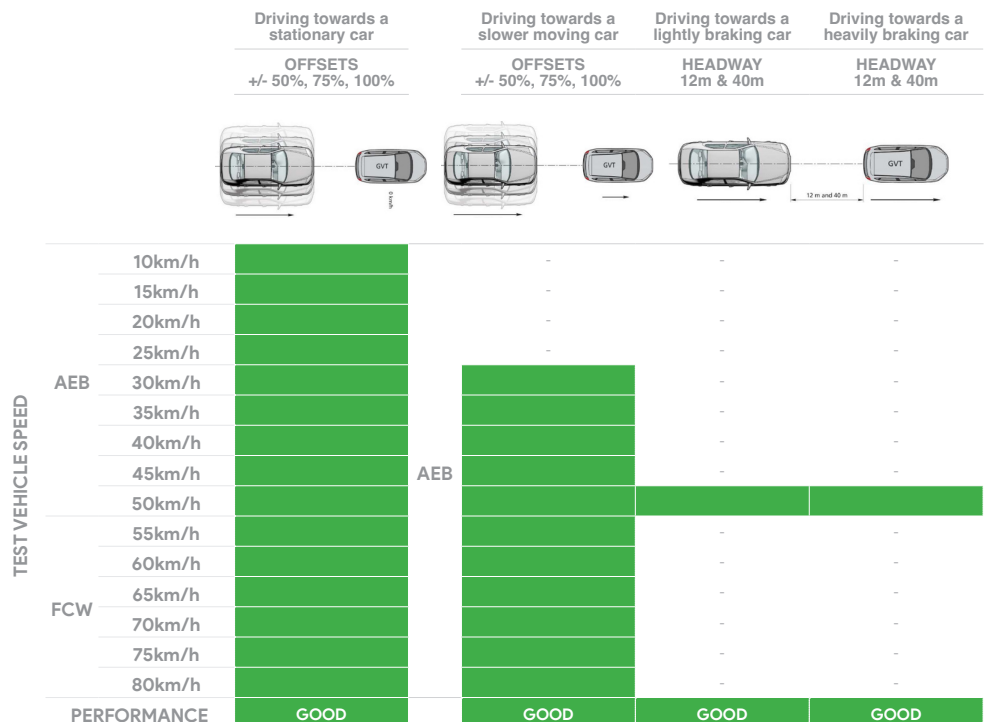
Tests of **lane support system** functionality showed GOOD performance, including in several of the more critical emergency lane keeping test scenarios,

A speed assistance system (SAS) with speed limit information function (SLIF) and intelligent adaptive cruise control (iACC) is standard, informing the driver of the local speed limit and automatically changing the speed accordingly.

A seatbelt reminder system with occupancy detection is fitted to all seating positions. A direct driver monitoring system (DMS) that can detect driver drowsiness is fitted as standard. The system provides a warning to the driver and can adjust driver assistance parameters.

AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING (Car-to-Car)

System Name	Collision Avoidance Assist
Type	Autonomous emergency braking with forward collision warning
Operational From	1-150 km/h



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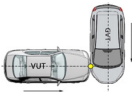


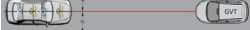
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AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING (Car-to-Car Junction, Crossing and Head-On)

		JUNCTION ASSIST Turning across the path of an oncoming vehicle			CROSSING (T-BONE) Crossing the path of another vehicle				
TARGET VEHICLE SPEED		30km/h	45km/h	60km/h	20km/h	30km/h	40km/h	50km/h	60km/h
									
TEST VEHICLE SPEED	Start from stop	-	-	-					
	10km/h				-	-	-	-	-
	15km/h				-	-	-	-	-
	20km/h								
	30km/h	-	-	-					
	40km/h	-	-	-					
	50km/h	-	-	-					
60km/h	-	-	-						
PERFORMANCE		GOOD			GOOD				

		TARGET VEHICLE SPEED		HEAD-ON In the path of oncoming vehicle	
				50km/h	70km/h
TEST VEHICLE SPEED	Travelling straight	50km/h			-
		70km/h		-	
	Lane change	50km/h			-
		70km/h		-	
PERFORMANCE				GOOD	

LANE SUPPORT SYSTEMS (Car-to-Car)

System Name	Lane Support Assist
Operational From	50-150 km/h

		Dashed line		Solid line	
LANE KEEP ASSIST (LKA) TEST SCENARIOS Car-to-Car					
PERFORMANCE					
		GOOD			

		Oncoming vehicle		Overtaking vehicle (GVT at 72km/h)		Overtaking vehicle (GVT at 80km/h)		Road edge		Solid line	
		UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL	UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL	UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL	UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL	UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL
EMERGENCY LANE KEEPING (ELK) TEST SCENARIOS Car-to-Car											
PERFORMANCE											
		GOOD									

GOOD

ADEQUATE

MARGINAL

WEAK

POOR / NOT TESTED DUE TO
NO PERFORMANCE PREDICTED

NOT TESTED



Safety Assist

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OCCUPANT STATUS

WARNING TYPE	DRIVER	FRONT PASSENGER	REAR PASSENGERS
Occupant Detection	-	●	●
Seat Belt Reminder (Visual)	●	●	●
Seat Belt Reminder (Audible)	●	●	●

DRIVER MONITORING

	WARNING	INTERVENTION
Distraction	×	×
Fatigue	●	●
Unresponsive Driver	-	×

SPEED ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS (SAS)

FEATURE	
Speed Limit Information Function (SLIF)	Camera & map
Manual Speed Limiter	×
Intelligent Adaptive Cruise Control (iACC)	●
Intelligent Speed Limitation (ISL)	×

HUMAN MACHINE INTERFACE (HMI)

FEATURE	
AEB: Supplementary Warning	●
AEB: Restraint activation / dynamic retractors / emergency steering support	×
Lane Departure Warning (LDW)	●
Blind Spot Monitoring (BSM): Car-to-Car & Car-to-Motorcycle	●

SAFETY FEATURES & TECHNOLOGIES

SAFETY FEATURE / TECHNOLOGY*	AUS	NZ
Seat belt pre-tensioners (front seats)	●	●
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear outboard seats) - 2nd row	●	●
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear centre seat) - 2nd row	✗	✗
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear outboard seats) - 3rd row	-	-
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear centre seat) - 3rd row	-	-
Intelligent seat belt reminder (driver)	●	●
Intelligent seat belt reminder (front passenger)	●	●
Intelligent seat belt reminder (2nd row seats)	●	●
Intelligent seat belt reminder (3rd row seats)	-	-
Airbag - dual frontal (driver & front passenger)	●	●
Airbags - side, chest protection (front seats)	●	●
Airbags - side, chest protection (2nd row seats)	✗	✗
Airbags - side, chest protection (3rd row seats)	-	-
Airbags - side, head protection (front seats)	●	●
Airbags - side, head protection (2nd row seats)	●	●
Airbags - side, head protection (3rd row seats)	-	-
Airbag - centre	●	●
Airbag - knee (driver)	✗	✗
Airbag - knee (front passenger)	✗	✗
Airbag - pedestrian (external)	✗	✗
Airbag disabling switch - automatic (front passenger)	✗	✗
Airbag disabling switch - manual (front passenger)	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - Car-to-Car	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - Vulnerable Road User		
- AEB Pedestrian	●	●
- AEB Backover	●	●
- AEB Cyclist	●	●
- AEB Motorcycle	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - Junction		
- AEB Junction (Car)	●	●
- AEB Junction (Pedestrian)	●	●
- AEB Junction (Cyclist)	●	●
- AEB Junction (Motorcycle)	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - Crossing	●	●
Automatic emergency call (eCall)	●	●
Blind spot monitor (BSM)	●	●
Child presence detection / alert	●	●
Cyclist dooring detection / alert	●	●
Driver monitoring system - Indirect	●	●
Driver monitoring system - Direct	●	●
Forward collision warning (FCW)	●	●
Lane departure warning (LDW)	●	●
Lane keep assist (LKA)		
- LKA (Car-to-Car)	●	●
- LKA (Car-to-Motorcycle)	●	●
Secondary / multi-collision brake	●	●
Speed assistance - intelligent adaptive cruise control (iACC)	●	●
Speed assistance - auto / intelligent speed limiter	✗	✗
Speed assistance - manual speed limiter	✗	✗
Speed assistance - speed sign recognition & warning	●	●
Vehicle-to-infrastructure communication (V2I)	✗	✗
Vehicle-to-vehicle communication (V2V)	✗	✗

● STANDARD ● AVAILABLE ON HIGHER VARIANTS ● OPTIONAL ✗ NOT AVAILABLE - NOT APPLICABLE

* Correct at time of publication. Subject to change. Check with manufacturer.

TESTED MAKE / MODEL
Tesla Model 3 LHD

TESTED VEHICLE ENGINE
Battery Electric (BEV)

RATING UPDATED
n/a

TESTED BODY TYPE
5 door sedan

RATING PUBLISHED
May 2025