



## Renault Clio

RATING	SCORE	Front: 14	Side: 16	Seatbelt reminder: 1	Pole: 2
 <b>ADULT OCCUPANT</b> ★★★★★	<b>33</b>				
 <b>CHILD OCCUPANT</b> ★★★★★☆	<b>39</b>				
 <b>PEDESTRIAN</b> ★☆☆☆☆	<b>9</b>				

### Adult occupant protection



Frontal impact driver



Frontal impact passenger



Side impact driver

<span style="color: green;">■</span>	GOOD
<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>	ADEQUATE
<span style="color: orange;">■</span>	MARGINAL
<span style="color: brown;">■</span>	WEAK
<span style="color: red;">■</span>	POOR

### Child restraints

#### 18 month old Child

Britax Roemer Baby-safe Plus, rearward facing

#### 3 year old Child

Britax Roemer Duo Plus, forward facing

### Pedestrian protection

No image car front available

### Safety equipment

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

### Car details

Hand of drive	LHD
Tested model	Renault Clio 1.5 dCi comfort
Body type	SUPERMINI
Year of publication	2005
Kerb weight	1165
VIN from which rating applies	CRF001500

### Comments

The new Clio performed soundly in most aspects of testing. The car's body proved to be extremely strong and protected its adult occupants. Protection for children seated in the car was also good. However, the protection it gave pedestrians was poor, scoring just 9 points out of a possible 36 in this part of the tests.

#### Front impact

The body suffered minimal deformation. The dual stage frontal airbags, belt pre-tensioners and load limiters worked well to keep the impacts recorded on the front occupants' chests and legs low. Despite a padded steering column shroud, contact with the steering column and glove box lid would pose a risk of knee injury to the driver and passenger. Foam padding protected the driver's feet while the footwell suffered little deformation or intrusion.

#### Side impact

An impressive side impact protection system includes seat mounted thorax airbags and a head curtain airbag, which also protects those seated in the rear. Some loads transferred unrealistically up the driver's spine, slightly reducing the forces recorded at his chest so that a top score was not achieved.

## **Child occupant**

A four-language, permanent text and pictogram label warning against placing a child in a rear-facing restraint on opposite an active airbag is fitted on both sides of the passenger's sun visor. The vehicle had a manual switch for the passenger airbag on the end of the passenger's fascia. Its status cannot be changed when the ignition is on and, if this is attempted, a warning light glows. The restraint used by the 3 year old child was a forward-facing Renault branded Britax Romer Duo Plus, which was fitted using the ISOFIX anchorages and top tether. The restraint used by the 18 month old child was a rear-facing Renault branded Britax Romer BabySafe Plus fitted using the ISOFIX anchorages and a support leg. Both children were protected in the side impact but, in the frontal impact neck loads on the younger child and chest loads on the 3 year old were a little high.

## **Pedestrian**

The bonnet gave some cushioning where an adult's and child's head would most likely strike, but the wings, the bonnet leading edge and bumper offered no protection.