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Strong backseat protection boosts Rivian R1T to *TOP SAFETY PICK+*

ARLINGTON, Va. — A good rating in the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's updated moderate overlap front test boosts the 2024 Rivian R1T crew cab pickup to *TOP SAFETY PICK+* status.

To earn the 2024 *TOP SAFETY PICK+* award in 2024, an acceptable or good rating in the updated moderate overlap front test is required, while a good rating in the original moderate overlap front test remains sufficient for the lower-tier *TOP SAFETY PICK*. The R1T had earlier earned the base award because the results of the updated moderate overlap front test were still pending.

The updated moderate overlap test adds a dummy in the rear seat, pushing manufacturers to improve safety in the second row. In the test of the R1T, sensors in and around the second-row dummy recorded low risk of injury to the head, neck and chest, and the lap and shoulder belt remained properly positioned during the crash. The dummy's head also remained a safe distance from the front seatback.

For both *TOP SAFETY PICK* and *TOP SAFETY PICK+*, vehicles must earn good ratings in the small overlap front test and the updated side test and need acceptable or good-rated headlights across all trim levels.

In addition, an acceptable or good rating in a revised version of the pedestrian front crash prevention evaluation is required. The new version replaces the earlier daytime and nighttime tests with a single evaluation that includes some test runs in daylight and some in the dark. The R1T's standard front crash prevention system earns an acceptable rating.

For more information, go to [iihs.org](https://www.iihs.org)

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