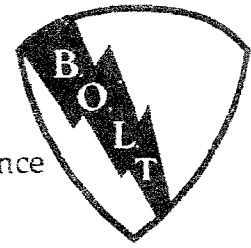


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**HLDL/BOLT QUESTIONS FOR DOT/NHTSA**  
re: Motorcycle Helmet Tests, Standards, and Certification  
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1. Does DOT<sup>1</sup> or NHTSA<sup>2</sup> maintain helmet testing facilities? (yes/no)  
1a. If yes, please list.
2. Does DOT or NHTSA test helmets? (yes/no)  
2a. If yes, where?
3. Does DOT or NHTSA certify helmet test results? (yes/no)  
3a. If yes, does DOT or NHTSA assume liability for these test results? (yes/no).
4. Does DOT or NHTSA maintain a list of approved or un-approved helmets? (yes/no)  
4a. If yes, please list.
5. Has DOT or NHTSA ever removed or taken away the manufacturer's certification of any helmet? (yes/no)  
5a. If yes; which manufacturer(s), and when?
6. Has DOT or NHTSA ever ordered or issued a mandatory recall of any helmet? (yes/no)  
6a. If yes, please list.
7. Has DOT or NHTSA ever started formal proceedings to remove a helmet manufacturer's certification? (yes/no)
8. Has DOT or NHTSA ever made a formal determination of noncompliance with FMVSS 218 on any helmet? (yes/no)  
8a. If yes; which helmet(s), and when?
9. Under the provisions of the Safety Act of 1966<sup>3</sup> can any person other than the manufacturer/seller be held responsible for compliance of a helmet with FMVSS 218?<sup>4</sup> (yes/no)  
9a. If yes, please cite the applicable provisions.
10. Other than relying on the manufacturer's certification, is there any other method for a user to determine which helmets are certified and comply with FMVSS 218? (yes/no)  
10a. If yes, how?
11. Are there any provisions of "the Act" which delegates authority, to the federal government or individual states, to hold the user responsible for failure of a helmet to comply with FMVSS 218? (yes/no)  
11a. If yes, please cite the applicable provisions
12. Has DOT or NHTSA delegated authority to any other agency outside of the federal government for determining FMVSS 218 compliance? (yes/no)  
12a. If yes, please list agency.

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<sup>1</sup>United States Department of Transportation

<sup>2</sup>National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

<sup>3</sup>including the Congressional revisions of 1992, and any and all applicable provisions.

<sup>4</sup>Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard #218.