

Safety Plan Lane Assistance

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# Introduction

## Purpose of the Safety Plan

The purpose of the project lane assistance feature safety plan is an overview of the projects safety strategy. It only addresses the electrical and electronic systems failure and does not cover mechanical or hydraulic failures as governed by ISO 26262.

## Scope of the Project

For the lane assistance project, the following safety lifecycle phases are in scope:

Concept phase

Product Development at the System Level

Product Development at the Software Level

The following phases are out of scope:

Product Development at the Hardware Level

Production and Operation

## Deliverables of the Project

The deliverables of the project are:

Safety Plan

Hazard Analysis and Risk Assessment

Functional Safety Concept

Technical Safety Concept

Software Safety Requirements and Architecture

# Item Definition

The lane assistance is an advanced driver assistance system or active safety feature that serves the following two functions:

1. **Lane Departure Warning (LDW):** This function warns the driver if he is unintentionally departing a lane.
2. **Lane Keep Assist (LKA):** This function helps or aides the driver to return the vehicle to the center of the lane by making small and incremental changes to the steering. This function is designed in a manner that it cannot be misused by the driver as an autonomous feature.

The system consists of three subsystems as shown in the following Figure 1. The three subsystems are:

* Camera Subsystem (ES)
* Electronic Power Steering Subsystem (EPS)
* Display Subsystem (DS)



Figure 1: System architecture and subsystems

## Overview

A typical ADAS or active safety systems relies on four different elements: (a) sensor, (b) controller (compute / decisions), (c) actuation, and optionally (d) driver information.

### Global assumptions

* In order to ensure that the driver does not misuse the item as an autonomous feature, the driver is required to keep both hands on the steering wheel at all times.
* The driver can take control of the steering function at any time. Furthermore, the driver can disable the feature at any instant by pressing a button.
* The duration for which the steering torque is applied is limited.

### Lane departure warning (LDW)

1. Sensor  
   Front facing camera (FCM)
2. Controller (compute/decision)  
   Calculate current cars positon in current lane.
3. Actuation  
   Notify EPS to vibrate steering wheel and DS to warn the driver.
4. Driver Information  
   Vibrate steering wheel, display warning light in DS and play warning sounds.

### Lane keep assist (LKA)

1. Sensor  
   Front facing camera (FCM)
2. Controller (compute/decision)  
   Calculate curvature of road ahead. If the vehicle is current steering angle does not fit the calculated target steering, imposed by safety and comfort requirements, notify EPS about steering correction.
3. Actuation  
   Adapt the current steering to stay in the center of the line.

# Goals and Measures

## Goals

The goals of the Lane Assistance Functional Safety Plan project is to:

1. Perform Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis using ISO 26262 to identify hazards and risks for the lane assistance system if a malfunction were to occur, which may cause injury to passenger or damage to property.
2. Evaluate each hazard and risk.
3. Define an ASIL level for each hazard.
4. Finally, utilize systems engineering techniques to lower risk to acceptable levels.

## Measures

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| Measures and Activities | Responsibility | Timeline |
| Follow safety processes | All Team Members | Constantly |
| Create and sustain a safety culture | All Team Members | Constantly |
| Coordinate and document the planned safety activities | Safety Manager | Constantly |
| Allocate resources with adequate functional safety competency | Project Manager | Within 2 weeks of start of project |
| Tailor the safety lifecycle | Safety Manager | Within 4 weeks of start of project |
| Plan the safety activities of the safety lifecycle | Safety Manager | Within 4 weeks of start of project |
| Perform regular functional safety audits | Safety Auditor | Once every 2 months |
| Perform functional safety pre-assessment prior to audit by external functional safety assessor | Safety Manager | 3 months prior to main assessment |
| Perform functional safety assessment | Safety Assessor | Conclusion of functional safety activities |

# Safety Culture

Following organizational cultural priorities can help improve safety:

* **Highest priority on safety:** over and above all other constraints like cost, timing, quality and productivity
* **Process definition & RASIC:** Management processes should be clearly defined using tools such as team charters and RASIC.
* **Accountability, Rewards and Penalties:** System engineering processes should ensure accountability such that design decisions are traceable back to the people and teams who made the decisions. The organization motivates, encourages and reinforces safety- driven behavior with rewards. More importantly, the organization should penalize individuals or teams taking shortcuts that compromise safety.
* **Independence and Segregation:** Teams who design and develop a product should be independent and segregated from the teams who audit the work. The organization should remove any conflict-of-interest in the audit processes.
* **Resources:** Safety-related items should get highest priority for resources.
* **Diversity, Inclusiveness:** Intellectual diversity is sought after, valued and integrated into processes. Safety improvement or risk mitigation ideas should be welcome from anywhere in the organization, even from outside the Systems Engineering teams.
* **Communications:** Continuous communication on safety-related issues should become a culture within the organization.

# Safety Lifecycle Tailoring

For the lane assistance project functional safety initial plan, following lifecycle phases in scope:

1. Concept phase
2. Product Development at the System Level
3. Product Development at the Software Level

The following phases are out of scope:

1. Product Development at the Hardware Level
2. Production and Operation

# Roles

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| Role | Org |
| Functional Safety Manager- Item Level | OEM |
| Functional Safety Engineer- Item Level | OEM |
| Project Manager - Item Level | OEM |
| Functional Safety Manager- Component Level | Tier-1 |
| Functional Safety Engineer- Component Level | Tier-1 |
| Functional Safety Auditor | OEM or external |
| Functional Safety Assessor | OEM or external |

# Development Interface Agreement

The development interface agreement (DIA) is a document that defines the roles, responsibilities and work output evidence among companies (for example, OEM, Tier-I supplier, Tier-II supplier, etc.) involved in developing a product which typically is a safety-related product. The ultimate goal is to ensure that all parties are developing safe vehicles in compliance with ISO 26262.

The DIA also covers the charter and appointment of OEM and supplier safety managers and defines the following aspects. In the document, the customer (OEM) and supplier jointly tailor the safety lifecycle. The document also clearly defines the activities and processes that must be

performed by the customer and the supplier. It also define the interface, data exchange and communications aspects as well as the RASIC for design, production and quality assessment activities. The DIA also includes any supporting processes or tools to ensure compatibility between customer and supplier technologies.

The following roles and responsibilities are defined for the lane assistance item functional safety project.

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| Role | Responsibility | Remark |
| Customer (OEM) Project Manager | Overall project management  Acquires and allocates resources needed for the functional safety activities  Appoints safety manager or might act as one | Appointed at the supplier (Tier-I). |
| Supplier (Tier-I) Project Manager | Subsystem & component level resources allocation for functional safety activities  Joint project management with customer project manager | Appointed at the customer (OEM) |
| Customer (OEM) Safety Manager | Planning, coordinating, tailoring and documenting the development phase of the safety lifecycle  Monitors progress against the safety plan | Pre-audits, plans the development |
| Supplier (Tier-I) Safety Manager | Joint tailoring of the safety lifecycle with customer (OEM) safety manager | Appointment by supplier (Tier-I). |
| Supplier (Tier-I) Safety Engineer | Product development and integration  Testing at the hardware, software and system  levels | Responsible for final integration in vehicle |
| Test Manager | Plan and oversee testing activities  Coordinates testing to show that the vehicle system works correctly | Appointment by supplier (Tier-I). |
| Safety Auditor | Ensure project conforms to the safety plan and safety lifecycle.  Ensures design and production implementation conform to the safety plan and ISO 26262. | Appointed at the customer (OEM)  Independent from the project team |
| Safety Assessor | Perform functional safety assessment  Judge if functional safety is being achieved | Appointed at the customer (OEM) |

# Confirmation Measures

The confirmation measures process is executed by individuals or teams that are independent of the systems engineering and design teams. The confirmation measures process serves two main purposes:

* Functional safety project conforms to ISO 26262 standard
* Ensure that the functional safety project indeed does make the vehicle safer.

The confirmation review ensures that the project complies with ISO 26262. As the product is designed and developed, an independent person would review the work to make sure ISO 26262 is being followed. The functional safety audit ensures that actual implementation of the project conforms to the safety plan is called a functional safety audit. The functional safety assessment ensures that the plans, designs and developed products actually achieve functional safety.

A safety plan could have other sections that we are not including here. For example, a safety plan would probably contain a complete project schedule.

There might also be a "Supporting Process Management" section that would cover "Part 8: Supporting Processes" of the ISO 26262 functional safety standard. This would include descriptions of how the company handles requirements management, change management, configuration management, documentation management, and software tool usage and confidence.

Similarly, a confirmation measures section would go into more detail about how each confirmation will be carried out.