

# Bus safety

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The bus cab is the driver's workplace, where he or she carries out their duties for between 8 and 10 hours a day.

That is why it is an important part of the Risk Assessment & Evaluation of workplaces at public transport companies in the Netherlands.

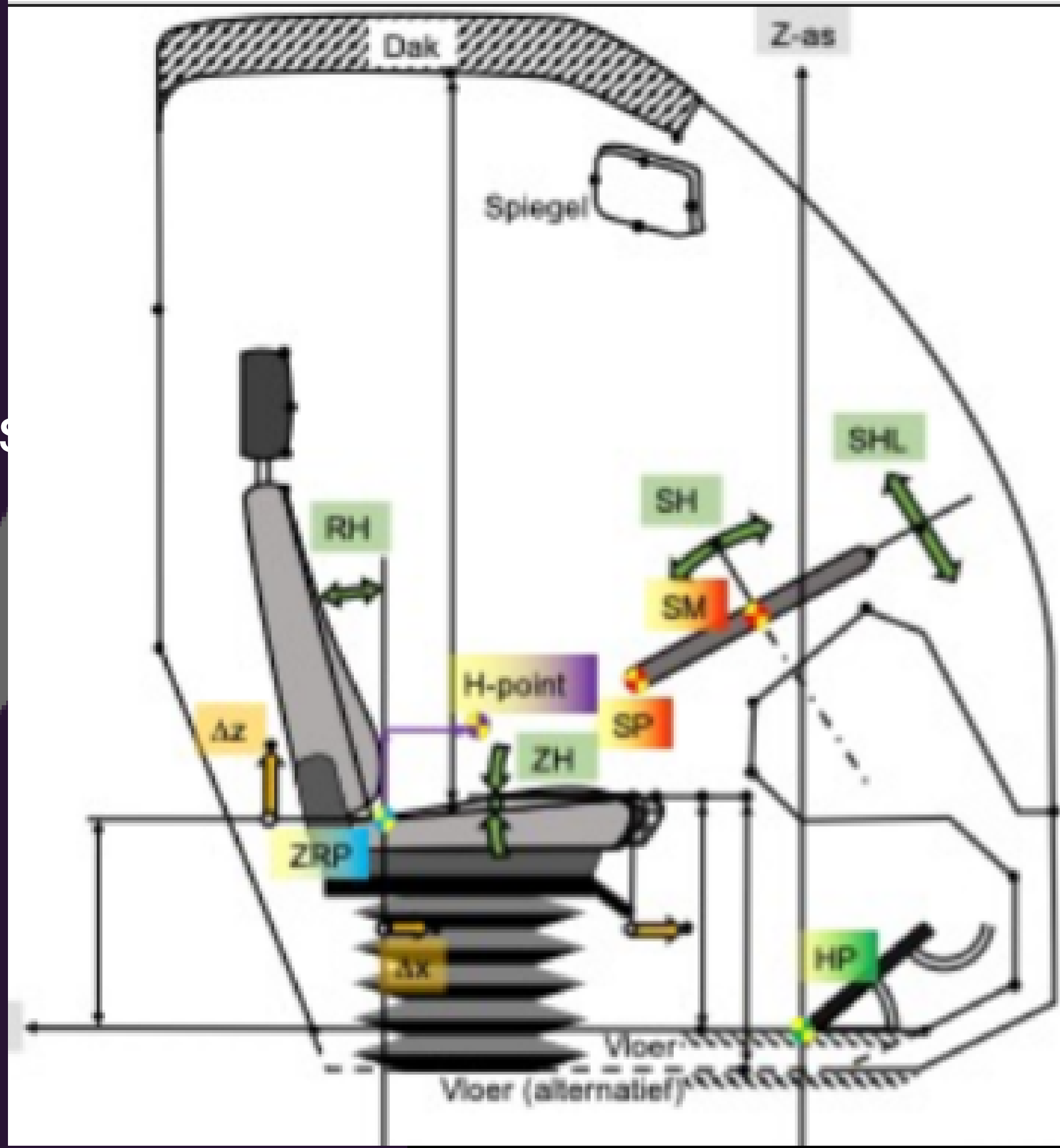
Works councils regularly check whether the bus cab meets the legal requirements.

However, in the Netherlands, the collective labour agreement specifically stipulates that bus cabs must meet at least one of the following three requirements:

- - NEN5526
- - NEN-ISO 16121
- or VDV234.



Under the terms of the collective labour agreement, the employer must submit an independent report showing that the bus meets the specified requirements before a new bus is put into service.



# Are we satisfied as a trade union?

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No, since the beginning of this century, we as a trade union have been working in a working group to make the driver's cab safer. The reasons for this included a number of serious accidents in the Netherlands. You will now see a number of photographs of accidents from that period, in which the bus driver received serious injuries.







Unfortunately, the working group at the time did not lead to any improvement in the safety of the bus cabin for our colleagues. We are therefore delighted with the new initiative that has been launched to improve safety. As the CNV trade union, we warmly support this initiative and will actively contribute to it in the future, if asked to do so.



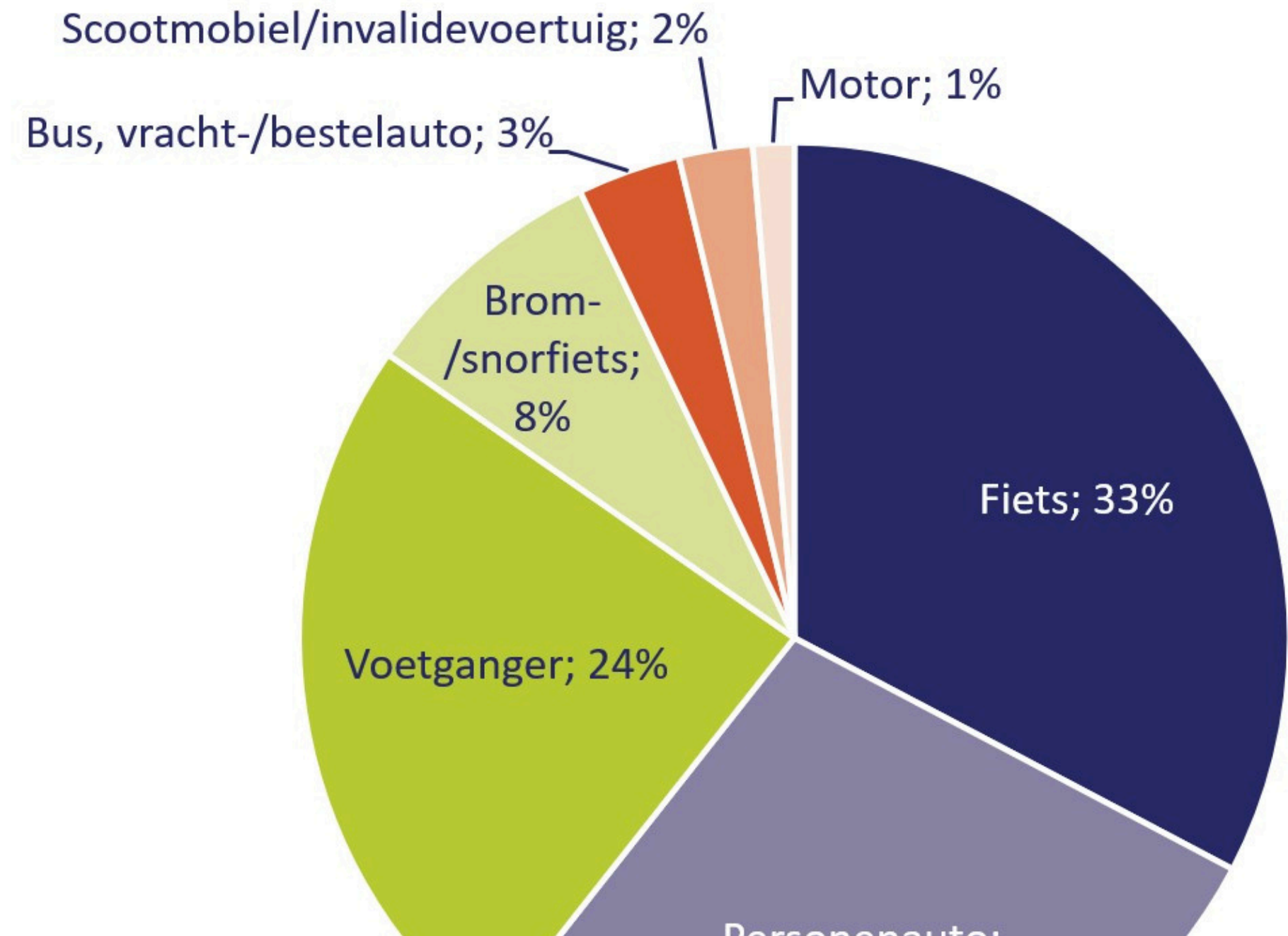
The safety of driver cabins has become a hot topic again in the Netherlands. Over the past month, there have been two serious accidents involving buses, in which the driver was unfortunately seriously injured. This could possibly have been prevented.





in recent times, four people have been  
killed in crashes involving public transport  
buses

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# What safety measures does the CNV recommend?

- A cage structure for the driver's cab.
- Airbags in the driver's cab.
- Mandatory installation of an emergency hammer in the driver's cab.

This requirements must be implemented in legislation at European level as soon as possible.



**Thank you for your attention**