

The all-new Subaru Forester e-BOXER Awarded Euro NCAP's Best in Class Cars of 2019

- Subaru Forester e-BOXER awarded best in the Small Off-Road/MPV class by Euro NCAP^{*1}
- Subaru's 2nd award for "Best in Class" by Euro NCAP
- The all-new Forester e-BOXER achieved the highest score ever in its class^{*2} in the Child Occupant Protection test

Zaventem, January 8, 2020 – Subaru Europe, the European subsidiary of Subaru Corporation, announced today that the all-new Subaru Forester e-BOXER (European specification) was named the "Best in Class Cars of 2019" in the Small Off-Road/MPV class, an award given to the best performing model of each class in the European New Car Assessment Programme (Euro NCAP) 2019 safety performance test.

This marks the second time for Subaru to receive this prestigious safety recognition, following the SUBARU XV and Impreza, awarded "Best in Class of 2017" in the Small Family Car category.

The all-new Subaru Forester e-BOXER received the maximum five stars with outstanding scores in all four assessment areas (Adult Occupant, Child Occupant, Vulnerable Road Users, Safety Assist), achieving the highest score ever in its class for "Child Occupant Protection" in the Euro NCAP 2019 assessment Protocol.

Globally, this fifth generation Forester had been praised with important awards: in Japan, the Forester won the JNCAP First Prize^{*4} in the 2018 Japan New Car Assessment Program (JNCAP)^{*5} collision safety performance assessment and the highest rating of the ASV+++ (Advanced Safety Vehicle Triple Plus) in 2019 JNCAP Preventive Safety Performance Assessment. The 2018-2019 Grand Prix Award in JNCAP collision safety performance assessment marks the second winning of the award for Subaru following the Grand Prix Award for Impreza and SUBARU XV in the 2016-2017 assessment.

^{*1}: Independent crash test & safety organisation backed by seven European governments, motoring & consumer clubs

^{*2}: Subaru Forester e-BOXER Child Occupant Protection score: 91% of latest Euro NCAP assessment Protocol, registering the highest score in Small Off-Road/MPV category

^{*4}: Award for the JNCAP five star rated vehicle which marked the highest score ever at the time of evaluation

^{*5}: Vehicle safety assessment program in Japan conducted by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) and the National Agency for Automotive Safety and Victim's Aid (NASVA).



Subaru Forester e-BOXER Best in Class Award 2019 for the Small Off-Road/MPV class (European specs.)

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