

TOGETHER, WE'VE COME SO FAR.

Here's our strategy to keep us on track in future.

The Rail Industry Safety and Standards Board (RISSB) provides industry and governments with the systems expertise and technical underpinning that drive ongoing improvements in the standards of safety, productivity and sustainability for Australian rail.

The current challenges and opportunities faced by the industry reinforces the value of the RISSB model – industry's Subject Matter Experts working together to maximise the benefits of our co-regulatory environment.

The RISSB Network engages with industry members and key stakeholders to develop and implement nationally coordinated rail safety and operational reforms. These include;

- Standards, Codes of Practice, Guidelines and Rules
- Safety Data and Risk Analysis Models
- Technical Support for Implementation
- Industry Coordination
- Events and Programs

RISSB's 2024–2030 Strategic Plan

Built on Strong Foundations

RISSB publishes the Standards, Codes, Network Rules and Guidelines that together form the Australian Code of Practice (the Code or ACOP). Elements of the Code are reference documents used by rail organisations to establish and maintain their safety management systems accredited by the Office of the National Rail Safety Regulator (ONRSR). The Code provides a foundation for achieving uniformity and national consistency in rail operations.

RISSB has developed and maintains the Australian Rail Risk Model (ARRM) which is used by rail organisations to assess and manage risk. RISSB also supports the Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model (ALCAM) on behalf of the National ALCAM Committee and provides a range of technical training and support services. Standards Australia has accredited RISSB to be the sole provider of Australian Standards for the rail industry, and audits them annually to ensure compliance with their requirements. These same processes are used to develop RISSB codes, rules and guidelines.

RISSB works extensively with technical and subject matter experts across the rail sector to oversee the formulation and revision of its products and services.

Future Focussed

RISSB's 2024-2030 Strategic Plan is designed to address industry's most pressing challenges and opportunities.

The Plan has come together at a time where there is an increasing focus by Industry and Governments on resolving long-standing interoperability and harmonisation challenges to unlock productivity and de-carbonisation opportunities.

This Plan mobilises the significant network of knowledge and industry expertise to focus on industry's most pressing issues. This collective capability will be focussed on developing solutions that when implemented will realise real and tangible benefits in key areas of focus for the industry.

Our areas of Strategic Focus have been informed by broad engagement with key industry and government stakeholders, and include shifting RISSB's focus from producing and maintaining documents to delivering outcomes by enabling industry to realise tangible benefits from the adoption RISSB's products.

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ARRIVING SOON:

Keep an eye out in the coming months for further details of our strategic plan.

RISSB 2024–2030 Strategic Execution

The implementation of our Strategy is being mapped against three core execution objectives;

Product Leadership > Operational Excellence > Productive Partnerships

These execution objectives will govern our approach to the implementation of our Strategy.

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PRODUCT LEADERSHIP

- Set an annual program for the revision of Standards and elements of the Code aligned to industry-wide critical risks and opportunities, concentrating on elements that will deliver high-value solutions aligned to industry and government priorities.
- Further develop the Australian Rail Risk Model (ARRM) based on analytics of industry-wide safety data, and increase the use of it for risk profiling, analysis, and prioritisation, and for developing common solutions to systemic industry risks.
- Reshape ancillary services RISSB offers to include support for implementation, provision of training content and issue of information updates and bulletins based on national and international incidents, developments and trends.
- Co-create and pilot new Standards, Codes, products, and services that provide the technical basis to enable industry to respond to government priorities including interoperability, harmonisation, industry skills development and de-carbonisation.
- Deliver an annual program of improvements to the Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model (ALCAM) with measures that reduce the effort of data collection and input, and increase the effectiveness and value of the model outputs and uses.



OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- Cultivate RISSB's collective capability by harnessing member and partner skills, subject matter expertise and experience and embedding it in internal processes and providing a knowledge base that assists members in maintaining their accreditation.
- Set up systems to aggregate and analyse key industry data sets, gather market intelligence and leverage RISSB's collective capability to identify emerging trends. Embed these learnings in the products and services we deliver.
- Establish formal links with international standards setting organisations to facilitate knowledge transfer on relevant areas of practice, including rapid learning and sharing from incidents.
- Engage with Standards Australia to ensure on-going accreditation systems compliance whilst implementing process improvements to reduce development timeframes and extending the process to include steps to facilitate industry adoption.



PRODUCTIVE PARTNERSHIPS

- Structure engagement with industry members to understand and respond to critical priorities, and distilling these inputs to set priorities for the development of RISSB products and to guide the formulation of annual work programs.
- Establish mechanisms in our MoU with governments to ensure planning, programs and relationship management support government policy objectives.
- Build our strategic partnerships with key industry bodies including ARA, ONRSR and NTC to ensure our actions, programs and products are aligned and integrated.