

RISSB product for prioritisation

Primary information			
Type of product being suggested:		Guideline	
Title of product being suggested:		Rolling Stock Classification	
Date of suggestion:		January 2018	
Reason for suggestion:		No current published Guideline for naming convention for rolling stock classification.	
Railway discipline area:		Rolling stock	
Scope:			
<p>The ROA used to have a section on the classification of wagons and other rolling stock. i.e. Naming conventions of wagons for each letter aligned with:</p> <p>1st letter – wagon owner 2nd letter – wagon type: i.e. well wagon, hopper, etc. 3rd letter – sub identifier 4th – bogie class type</p> <p>Generally operators have tried to maintain this standard, however many of the letters for classes have been used up, and some letters in the classes could be utilised to be more flexible in allowing alternate wagon classes.</p>			
Objective:			
Provide a guideline for naming convention that would be adopted nationally			
Hazard identification:			
1	Duplication of wagon classes	6	
2	Incorrect application of bogie speed classes	7	
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Benefits:			
<u>Safety</u>			
This would prevent the wrong code being applied to wagon classes and potentially the wrong speed being applied to bogie types. Those looking at wagons, would be able to identify the type of wagon by reviewing the wagon classification code.			

<u>Interoperabilityⁱ / harmonisationⁱⁱ</u>
This would have a national application, assist new operators in applying for wagon codes, and open up new classes for naming of wagons without having to set up wagon number series which can cause confusion.
<u>Financial</u>
It would support alternate for wagon classification naming.
<u>Environmental</u>
Not applicable
Impacts:
Legacy – those already using the existing codes would continue. New operators could be managed by reviewing the document and adding them as an addition to the classification code.

i Interoperability - the ability of a process, system or a product to work with other process, systems or products (aka compatible systems through managed interfaces).

ii Harmonisation - the act of bringing into agreement so as to work effectively together (aka uniformity of systems).