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I commend this Standard to the Australasian rail industry as it represents industry good practice and has been developed through a rigorous process.

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1.1 Purpose

This Standard describes requirements for rolling stock wheels.

The main purpose of the requirements are to reduce the risk of derailment arising from wheel failure or damage to infrastructure caused by wheel defects.

1.2 Scope

This document covers the design, construction, and maintenance of rolling stock wheels. It applies to:

(a) new locomotive, freight, passenger, and infrastructure rolling stock wheels going into service after the date of publication;

(b) existing locomotive, freight, passenger, and infrastructure rollingstock wheels going into service after modification.

Operation of rolling stock is not covered.

Rolling stock used on light rail, cane railway, and monorail networks are not covered.

Requirements for the assembly of wheels onto wheelsets and geometric tolerances of wheels fitted on wheelsets are not covered. These are covered in AS 7517.

Infrastructure maintenance rolling stock used for transportation of goods and material is treated as freight rolling stock.

1.3 Compliance

There are two types of control contained within Australian Standards developed by RISSB:

(a) Requirements.

(b) Recommendations.

Requirements – it is mandatory to follow all requirements to claim full compliance with the Standard.

Requirements are identified within the text by the term ‘shall’.

Recommendations – do not mention or exclude other possibilities but do offer the one that is preferred.

Recommendations are identified within the text by the term ‘should’.

Recommendations recognise that there could be limitations to the universal application of the control, i.e. the identified control cannot be applied, or other controls could be more appropriate or better.

For compliance purposes, where a recommended control is not applied as written in the standard it could be incumbent on the adopter of the standard to demonstrate their actual method of controlling the risk as part of their WHS or Rail Safety National Law obligations. Similarly, it could also be incumbent on an adopter of the standard to demonstrate their method of controlling the risk to contracting entities, or interfacing organisations where the risk may be shared.

Controls in RISSB standards address known railway hazards as included in Appendix C.

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