



Rail Cyber Security for Rolling Stock & Train Control Systems

Code of Practice



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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This Code of Practice (CoP) provides principles and practices to address the cyber threat and vulnerabilities associated with rolling stock and train control systems and supporting infrastructures. It additionally provides industry (rail transport operators (RTO), rail infrastructure managers (RIM), vendors and third parties) with requirements which will assist in progressing the maturity of cyber security risk management.

This CoP forms part of the Rail Cyber Security Framework which consists AS 7770 Rail Cyber Security (Ref A) and supporting guidelines (Ref B).

This CoP supports the rail industry in reducing its vulnerability to deliberate and non-deliberate cyberattacks. It sets out the principles and general approach to cyber security with specific guidance for rolling stock and train control systems.

1.2 Scope

This document covers rolling stock and train control systems including:

- a) rolling stock control systems;
- b) rolling stock information systems;
- c) rolling stock borne signalling systems.
- d) data and voice communication systems;
- e) onboard signalling systems;
- f) remote conditioning monitoring systems.
- g) signalling systems;
- h) level crossing monitoring systems; and
- i) traffic management systems.

NOTE: Although this CoP is intended for rolling stock and train control systems, the principles outlined within this CoP can also be adapted for:

- other rolling stock and train control systems;
- other systems within the infrastructure domain encompassing rail operations and communication systems.

1.3 Terms and definitions

AS 7770 provides definitions of terms which for consistency will be used in this CoP. Descriptions of systems under consideration (SuC) in this CoP are detailed in section 2.

1.4 References

1.4.1 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text and have been referred to in such a way that some of their content forms requirements for this CoP: