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Objective

This document describes requirements for the structural strength of railway locomotive bodies.

The main purpose of the requirements are to:

- (a) prescribe the minimum structural integrity level of the vehicle body to ensure safe performance under normal operating conditions and extreme operating conditions;
- (b) minimize risks to train crew and members of the general public in the event of collisions or derailments.

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RISSB Standards address known hazards within the railway industry. Hazards, and clauses within this Standard that address those hazards, are listed in Appendix A.

This Standard includes a commentary on some of the clauses. The commentary directly follows the relevant clause is designated by 'C' preceding the clause number and is printed in italics in a box. The commentary is for information and guidance, it does not form part of the requirements and recommendations of this Standard.



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1 Scope and general

1.1 Scope

This Standard applies to new and modified locomotive rolling stock.

This Standard covers the design, construction, and maintenance of rolling stock.

The requirements mandated in this Standard do not retrospectively apply to any existing vehicles other than vehicles which are being modified in areas covered by this Standard so far as reasonably practicable.

Operation of rolling stock is not covered.

This Standard is not specifically intended to cover rolling stock used on light rail, cane railways and monorail networks, but items from this Standard may be applied to such systems as deemed appropriate by the relevant rail infrastructure manager.

This Standard is intended to compliment the rolling stock compliance certification process outlined in AS 7501, including all vehicle types such as new, modified and heritage rolling stock.

1.2 Normative references

The following documents are indispensable for the application of this Standard:

- AS 7507 Rolling Stock Outlines
- AAR Standard S-5506 Performance requirements for diesel electric locomotive fuel tanks, 2001.
- AAR Standard S-580 Locomotive crashworthiness requirements, 2008.
- AS/NZS 2080 Safety Glass for Land Transport.
- British Railways Board specification BR 566 High impact resistant windscreens.
- EN 15152 Railway applications Front windscreens for train cabs.
 - EN 15227 Railway applications Crashworthiness requirements for railway vehicles.
- EN 12663 Railway applications Structural requirements for railway vehicles.
- FRA Standard 49 CFR Part 223 Safety Glazing Standards Locomotives, passenger cars and cabooses.
- UK RSSB Standard GM/RT2130 Vehicle fire safety and evacuation.
- UK RSSB Standard GM/RT2100 Requirements for Rail Vehicle Structures.

NOTE: Documents for informative purposes are listed in a Bibliography at the back of the Standard.