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Foreword

This document (EN 13231-1:2006) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 256 "Railway applications", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by November 2006, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by November 2006.

This European Standard is one of the series EN 13231 "Railway applications – Track – Acceptance of works" as listed below:

- Part 1: Works on ballasted track Plain line
- Part 2: Works on ballasted track Switches and crossings
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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the requirements and tolerances for the acceptance of work associated with plain line on ballasted track for 1 435 mm and wider gauge railways.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 13848 (series), Railway applications - Track - Track geometry quality

prEN 14730 (series), Railway applications – Track – Aluminothermic welding of rails

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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absolute track position

position of the track in reference to an external coordinated system RRVIEW

3.2 acceptance

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acceptance is the declaration of the customer to the contractor that the work has been achieved in accordance with the contract https://standards.itch.ai/catalog/standards/sist/3d917220-a540-441b-a782-

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design track gauge

single value which is obtained when all the components of the track conform precisely to their design dimensions or their median design dimension when there is range. It may differ from nominal track gauge. The design track gauge is specified by the customer taking into account the materials, the method of measurement and whether the application is on plain line or in switches and crossings

3.4

design track geometry

calculated values of track geometric parameters

3.5

loaded and unloaded measurements

loaded and unloaded conditions for measurements are defined in Clause 5 of EN 13848-1:2003

3.6

nominal track gauge

single value which identifies the track gauge but may differ from the design track gauge

3.7

relative track geometry

track parameters measured on the track by a moving system

3.8

tolerance

permissible deviation from reference or designed value

3.9

track geometry

group of parameters defining the position of the rails, usually the following: gauge, alignment, longitudinal level, twist and cant

3.10

works on track

works on track cover:

- initial construction;
- simultaneous or separated renewal of rails, sleepers, other components and ballast;
- tamping/levelling/lining/dynamic track stabiliser (DTS) work to correct track geometry;
- other works on the track, excluding works covered by EN 13231-3;
- welding.

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4.1 General

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The requirements under this clause apply to works as defined in 3.10.

Related works, e.g. platform reconstruction, formation, drainage, level crossings are not covered by this standard.

The acceptance of welding work in conjunction with track works is covered by prEN 14730 (series) when available.

An acceptance form shall be prepared for each item of work outlining the results achieved (see an example of this type of form in Annex B).

Acceptance is not given until the work is completed in accordance with the requirements of the contract.

4.2 Acceptance deadlines

Acceptance shall not be carried out until the track has been subjected to an appropriate passing tonnage, including the mechanically simulated loading (e.g. by a DTS), which shall be defined by the customer that permits clearance of the track for the maximum permitted speed. It is permitted for acceptance to occur within a period after the completion of the works as defined by the customer (i.e. after receipt of the application from the contractor), even if the appropriate passing tonnage has not been achieved.

4.3 Acceptance measurements and checks

Before acceptance, the following measurements or checks shall be carried out when applicable (manually or by automatic means):

relative track geometry;

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- measurement of track gauge;
- absolute track position. Comparison of the actual track position with the design position, as defined by the customer;
- weld measurements (running surface and running edge);
- measurement of joint gaps and dips;
- measurement of joint staggers;
- check of insulated joints;
- sleeper position, voiding of sleepers, correct assembly and integrity of the rail fastenings, pads and insulators;
- check of ballast profile;
- damage caused to rails, sleepers, fastenings, cables and other equipment, or where the work process has displaced the sleepers or the rail pads;
- check that all track materials comply with the customer's relevant acceptance criteria.

The customer may also request additional measurements or checks if previously agreed.

Track geometry shall be measured by a track recording vehicle or where this is not available by a track maintenance machine fitted with measuring equipment, both in accordance with series EN 13848. If the measuring equipment fails, or is not available, corresponding hand or light devices measurements shall be taken and documented. Other use of hand or light devices measurements shall be previously defined by the customer.

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The customer shall previously agree all measuring equipment in track recording vehicles, maintenance machines and hand or light devices measurements.

For the purpose of acceptance, every section shall be inspected by the experts as nominated by the customer and the contractor.

The contract shall define who should perform the measurements.

4.4 Acceptance documents

All measurements and checks carried out in accordance with 4.3 shall be documented.

In addition, the following documents shall be made available when applicable:

- reports of welding and stressing of continuous welded rail sites (including up to fixed points, e.g., at fronts of switches and crossings);
- record of ballast cleaning;
- list of joint-gap measurements;
- report of the installation of expansion joints;
- verification of correct tightening and fitting of rail fasteners;
- proof of acceptance of associated works;

proof of approval and acceptance of the material provided by the supplier.

NOTE The customer can also request additional documentation if previously agreed.

4.5 Relative track geometry

4.5.1 Tolerances

Accepted track shall comply with the relevant tolerances shown in Tables 1 and 2. The applicable parameters shall be nominated by the customer, according to the scope of the work.

The tolerances in Tables 1 and 2 are for loaded measurements. For unloaded measurements of track gauge the customer shall define the value for the design track gauge.

Concerning the longitudinal level and alignment:

- the methods « mean-to-peak » and « peak-to-peak » are alternative. The customer and the contractor shall agree on the method to be used;
- for the method « mean-to-peak », the sliding mean, i.e. the mean for each point, shall be taken in a length of 40 m to 100 m considering a symetric interval (the considered point being the « zero », i.e ± half of the length from the point) with a maximum sampling distance of 1 m;
- for measurements made by a chord system with base lengths other than 10 m or by an inertial system, the results shall be converted to 10 m chord with measurement in the middle;
- for measurements in accordance with EN 138481 with wavelengths D1, D2 or D3, the tolerances shall be defined by the customer.

For alignment, when using the method « mean-to-peak », the corridor as defined by the mean and the tolerances shall include the calculated value if not the defect shall be taken between the calculated value and the peak.

In transition curves with construction twist, the tolerances shall be considered from the construction twist, but not from the zero line.

For tracks with second-hand materials, the tolerance limits for the parameters shall be specified by the customer.