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Rail Baltica - Design Guidelines







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1. Design guidelines scope of work

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- A need of a <u>common</u> design guidelines for the <u>whole Rail Baltica project</u> to ensure a standardized approach for the next procurement stages → Design Guidelines manual will be included in all design tenders.
- A need to detail some TSI requirements and to add some criteria with regards to mixed traffic and high speed for the Rail Baltica corridor.
- Main objectives for the DG requirements: Railways long-term vision, competition neutral and integration of the EU best practice for Railways.
- 3 steps approach for the DG:





2. Content of Design Guidelines manual



- General parameters
- Access requirements, Safety and security requirements (fences, portals)
- Environmental conditions for systems, corrosion and exposure class
- ✓ General requirements → Anti-penetration device for highway, secondary road
 - Cable ducts requirements
 - Design life
- Railway alignment (mixed traffic and passenger/light freight train traffic)
- Railway superstructure track
- Railway substructure Part 1 embankments and earthworks

Part 2 hydraulic, drainage and culverts

Based on EN standards, UIC recommendations and best practice

Part 3 bridges, overpasses, tunnels and similar structures

- Main line (embankment, cut, passing loop, station)
- Specific cross sections (acoustic screen/merlon, technical block, drainage)
- Cross sections (48)
- Anti-penetration device for highway, secondary road
- HSL with maintenance road
- Structures (viaduct, overpass, tunnel/cut and cover)

2. Content of Design Guidelines manual

Railway Energy Part 1 traction power system Part 2 catenary Part 3 Non traction power supply Part 4 Electromagnetic compatibility

- ✓ Railway control-command signaling system
- ✓ Railway telecommunications system
- ✓ Railway SCADA
- Infrastructure facilities (Stations, Passing loops, crossovers)
- Station and passenger platforms
- Environment
- Mechanical Electrical and Plumbing in Tunnel
- Adaptation to climate change
- BIM requirements
- ✓ Architectural and landscaping (visual design) requirements
- RAMS requirements

 No choice of technologies for systems (ENE and CCS).
→ Definition of the key requirements for system performance and for the interface with Civil works.

- Prepared by RB Rail

3. Key parameters included in the design guidelines manual



Traffic code	Gauge	Axe load	Design speed	Train length
P2	GB	25 t		Track and system : 400m Passenger platform : 200m
F1	GC		120km/h	1050m

Parameter	Proposed value	
Level crossing with roads	No level crossing	
Gauge crossing with 1520mm Railways	No gauge crossing	
Access for maintenance and emergency services	access to the main line every 2 or 3km and in specific areas	
Type of track	Ballasted track	
	4.5m for the main line	
Distance between track centres	3.8m for passenger line with speed 200km/h	
Maintenance walking path	0,8m maintenance path at 3.0m from the track centres	
Energy system	2x25kV	
ERTMS	Level 2, Baseline 3	
Vertical clearance Road bridges (<22.5m)	6.62m	
Vertical clearance Road bridges (>22.5m) and tunnel	7.02m (249km/h) / 6.43m (200km/h)	

4. Key examples of cross sections included in the Design Guidelines

Key elements: Main line embankment - Double track Distance between track centres Speed Е E/2 200 km/h 3.80m 1.90m Catenary position \checkmark 249 km/h 4.50m 2.25m Walkway position \checkmark Ballast, sub-ballast thickness \checkmark Frost penetration (sub-grade thickness) \checkmark E/2+3.80 E/2+3.80 Path & Path 8 Systems System space space 3.00 0.80 3.00 0.80 E/2 E/2 Catenary Catenary Point P mas Cable Cable Ballast 30 cm Enclosure through through Topsoil 4.00 Prepared subgrade 2.00 4.00 Ditch Ditch Embankment geometry of foundation defined, geometry of foundation defined during design calculation during design calculation Thickness depending on frost protection front (mini 0.5m)

Stripping topsoil



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- Key elements:
 - Drainage requirements

Main line cut - Double track - Wet cut (with water table)

Speed	E	E/2
200 km/h	3.80m	1.90m
249 km/h	4.50m	2.25m





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