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## Foreword

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## **Introduction**

The structural design of railway vehicle bodies depends on the loads they are subject to and the characteristics of the materials they are manufactured from. Within the scope of this European Standard, it is intended to provide a uniform basis for the structural design of the vehicle body.

The loading requirements for the vehicle body structural design and testing are based on proven experience supported by the evaluation of experimental data and published information. The aim of this European Standard is to allow the supplier freedom to optimise his design whilst maintaining requisite levels of safety.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies minimum structural requirements for railway vehicle bodies.

This European Standard specifies the loads vehicle bodies should be capable of sustaining, identifies how material data should be used and presents the principles to be used for design validation by analysis and testing. This European Standard applies to locomotives and passenger rolling stock. EN 12663-2 provides the verification procedure for freight wagons and also refers to the methods in this standard as an alternative for freight wagons.

The railway vehicles are divided into categories which are defined only with respect to the structural requirements of the vehicle bodies. Some vehicles may not fit into any of the defined categories; the structural requirements for such railway vehicles should be part of the specification and be based on the principles presented in this European Standard.

The standard applies to all railway vehicles within the EU and EFTA territories. The specified requirements assume operating conditions and circumstances such as are prevalent in these countries.

In addition to the requirements of this European Standard the structure of all vehicles associated with passenger conveyance may generally be required to have features that will protect occupants in the case of collision accidents. These requirements are given in EN 15227.

## 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 10002-1, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Part 1: Method of test at ambient temperature*

EN 13749, *Railway applications — Wheelsets and bogies — Methods of specifying structural requirements of bogie frames*

EN 15663, *Railway applications — Definition of vehicle reference masses*



EN 16404:2014, *Railway applications — Re-railing and recovery requirements for railway vehicles*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

**3.1**  
**railway vehicle body**  
main load carrying structure above the suspension units including all components which are affixed to this structure which contribute directly to its strength, stiffness and stability

NOTE Mechanical equipment and other mounted parts are not considered to be part of the vehicle body though their attachments to it are.