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The Railway Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

United Kingdom.

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

3. Originating Department

Department for Regional Development for Northern Ireland

4. Notification Number

2003/0433/UK - T30T

5. Title

The Railway Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004

6. Products C	Concerned	ŀ
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None.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The Railway Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 proposes to set new requirements on the installation of train protection systems on the railway and on Mark I rolling stock; on rolling stock with hinged doors; and on passenger trains without on-board data recorders. After specified dates, train operators in Northern Ireland will be prohibited from operating, and infrastructure controllers will be prohibited from allowing the operation of: -

- (a) trains without train protection systems;
- (b) Mark I passenger rolling stock;
- (c) rolling stock having hinged doors without central locking; and
- (d) passenger trains without on-board data recorders

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The purpose of the regulations is to improve railway safety by mirroring similar regulations introduced in Great Britain in 1999. The Department for Regional Development, being the Department concerned, is introducing these Regulations exercising the powers contained within the Health and Safety at Work Order (Northern Ireland) 1978. The Railway Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 will apply to a railway as defined in regulation 2(1) and will not apply to most heritage railways that operate on their own tracks.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

2000/0288/UK

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

NO

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

NO

14. Fiscal measures

NO

15. Impact assessment

Impact Assessment Not available

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT and SPS Aspects

TBT Aspect

NO - The draft is not a technical regulation or a conformity assessment procedure in the sense of Annex 1 of the TBT Agreement.

SPS Aspect

NO - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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