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Part 4: Emission and immunity of the signalling and telecommunications apparatus

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- Part 2: Emission of the whole railway system to the outside world;
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- Part 3-2: Rolling stock - Apparatus;
- Part 4: Emission and immunity of the signalling and telecommunications apparatus;
- Part 5: Emission and immunity of fixed power supply installations and apparatus.

Annexes designated “normative” are part of the body of the standard.

Annexes designated “informative” are given only for information.

In this standard, annex A is informative.

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Introduction

This European Standard has been prepared in the form of a Product Standard.

It defines the immunity and emission test requirements for apparatus defined in the scope in relation to the electromagnetic disturbances likely to be experienced in the railway. In particular the test requirements represent the essential electromagnetic immunity requirements and have been selected to ensure an adequate level of immunity for apparatus installed in the railway locations.

Test requirements are specified for each port considered.

Safety considerations are not covered by this standard.

In special situations, where the level of disturbances may exceed the levels considered in this standard, e.g. at a special location or where a hand held transmitter is used in very close proximity to an apparatus, special mitigation measures may have to be employed.

1 Scope

This European Standard applies to signalling and telecommunication apparatus which is installed in the railway environment. Signalling and telecommunication apparatus mounted in vehicles is covered by EN 50121-3-2.

This standard specifies limits for emission and immunity and provides performance criteria for signalling and telecommunications (S&T) apparatus which may interfere with other apparatus in the railway environment, or increase the total emissions for the railway environment beyond the limits defined in the appropriate standard, and so risk causing Electro-Magnetic Interference (EMI) to apparatus outside the railway system.

Apparatus which complies with the emission levels of EN 50081-2 will meet the emission requirements of this standard provided that emissions from any d.c. power port are within the emissions limits specified for a.c. power ports. The immunity levels of EN 61000-6-2 will also be adequate except for the special case of apparatus installed close to the rails. This standard provides the immunity requirements for such apparatus.

The immunity levels given for the apparatus will in most cases allow the apparatus to perform as intended in the railway environment (see note). The immunity level establishes a common reference for evaluating the performance of the apparatus when subject to interference resulting from direct exposure of the apparatus and associated cables to a radio frequency field, or by coupling of the interference from a remote source.

If a port is intended to transmit or receive for the purpose of radio communication then the emission and immunity limits in this standard at the communication frequency does not apply.

The standard does not specify basic personal safety requirements for apparatus such as protection against electric shock, unsafe operation, insulation co-ordination and related dielectric tests. The requirements were developed for and are applicable to this set of apparatus when operating under normal conditions. Fault conditions of the apparatus have not been taken into account.

The requirements and test methods also apply to telecommunications and signalling data and power lines connected to the equipment under test (EUT).

The frequency limits for emission and immunity requirements are from d.c. to 400 GHz. At present testing is not defined for frequencies below 150 kHz (except for traction fundamental frequencies) and above 1 GHz because of difficulties in specifying appropriate test methods.

For products in the scope of EN 61000-3-2 or EN 61000-3-3, the requirements of those standards apply.

Testing methods are given in the Basic Standards listed in clause 2, Normative references.

NOTE The immunity and emission levels do not of themselves guarantee that the integration of apparatus will necessarily be satisfactory. The standard cannot cover all the possible configurations of the apparatus, but the test levels are sufficient to achieve satisfactory EMC in the majority of cases.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited in the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed below. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated into it by amendment or revision. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 50081-2	1993	Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) - Generic emission Standard - Part 2: Industrial environment.
EN 50121-1		Railway applications - Electromagnetic compatibility - Part 1: General.
EN 50121-3-2		Part 3-2: Rolling stock - Apparatus.
ENV 50204		Radiated electromagnetic field from digital radio telephones - Immunity test.
EN 50238	¹⁾	Railway applications - Compatibility between rolling stock and train detection systems.
EN 61000-3-2		Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 3-2: Limits - Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current up to and including 16 A per phase) (IEC 61000-3-2).
EN 61000-3-3		Part 3-3: Limits - Limitation of voltage fluctuations and flicker in low-voltage supply systems for equipment with rated current up to and including 16 A (IEC 61000-3-3).
EN 61000-4-1		Part 4-1: Testing and measurement techniques - Overview of immunity tests (IEC 61000-4-1).
EN 61000-4-2		Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques - Electrostatic discharge immunity test (IEC 61000-4-2).
EN 61000-4-3		Part 4-3: Testing and measurement techniques - Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test (IEC 61000-4-3, modified).
EN 61000-4-4		Part 4-4: Testing and measurement techniques - Electrical fast transient/burst immunity test (IEC 61000-4-4).
EN 61000-4-5		Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques - Surge immunity test (IEC 61000-4-5).
EN 61000-4-6		Part 4-6: Testing and measurement techniques - Immunity to conducted disturbances, induced by radio-frequency fields (IEC 61000-4-6).

¹⁾ In preparation.

EN 61000-4-8		Part 4-8: Testing and measurement techniques - Power frequency magnetic field immunity test (IEC 61000-4-8).
EN 61000-4-9		Part 4-9: Testing and measurement techniques - Pulse magnetic field immunity test (IEC 61000-4-9).
EN 61000-4-16		Part 4-16: Testing and measurement techniques - Test for immunity to conducted, common mode disturbances in the frequency range 0 Hz to 150 kHz (IEC 61000-4-16).
EN 61000-6-2	1999	Part 6-2: Generic standards - Immunity for industrial environments (IEC 61000-6-2:1999).

3 Definitions

For the purpose of this Part 4 of the European Standard the following definitions apply.

3.1

port

particular interface of the specified apparatus with the external environment, e.g. a.c. power port, d.c. power port, I/O (input/output) port, earth port

3.2

enclosure port

physical boundary of the apparatus through which electromagnetic fields may radiate or impinge

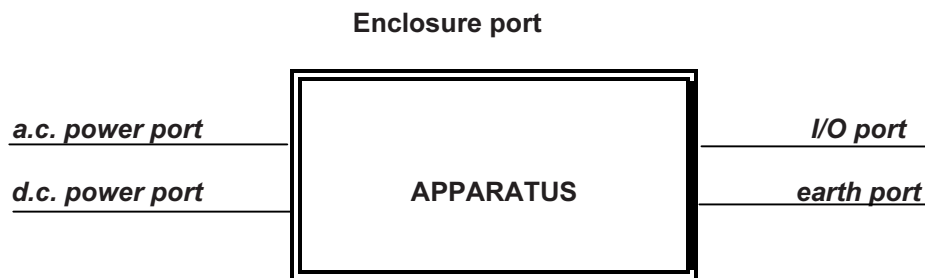


Figure 1

4 Description of location

The railway environment is characterized as described in EN 50121-1. Special consideration is given in this standard to apparatus intended to be installed within 3 m of the centreline of the nearest track.

NOTE Specific tests covered in EN 50238 may be required.

5 Emission limits for apparatus

The maximum emissions permitted by EN 50081-2:1993 shall be complied with. The conducted emission limits shall apply to both a.c. and d.c. power ports. A measurement distance of 10 m may be used with the limits increased by 10 dB or a measurement distance of 3 m may be used with the limits increased by 20 dB for the radiated emission of the enclosure port. Where the apparatus is intended to be used in an environment other than the railway environment then the emission limits given in the appropriate standards shall apply.