

RECOMMENDATION FOR USE

Co-ordination between Notified Bodies

DIRECTIVE 2008/57/EC AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS ON THE INTEROPERABILITY OF THE RAIL SYSTEM WITHIN THE UNION **RFU-RST-078** Issue 01 Date 13/03/2013 Page 1 of 1

TITLE	
Multiple trainset operation – train mass	
ORIGINATOR	SUBJECT RELATED TO
NB-RAIL SG-RST	2008/232/EC TSI HS RST

DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND EXPLANATION

TSI HS RST 2008/232/EC in clause 4.2.3.2. Static axle load specifies: "The total mass of the train shall not exceed 1 000 t."

Further TSI HS RST 2008/232/EC in clause 4.2.1.2. (c) establishes an additional specification for multiple operation of trainsets: "To allow train capacity to meet changing traffic needs it is permissible to couple trainsets to run in multiple. Such a train formed from two or more trainsets shall also meet the **relevant** specifications and performance in this TSI."

It is also noted that the current draft version 2.0 of merged LOC&PAS TSI no longer includes this requirement.

Different interpretations of these specifications by Notified Bodies should be avoided.

RFU Proposal

The requirement of maximum total mass of 1 000 t is not a relevant specification for the multiple operation of trainsets.

DATE OF AGREEMENT AT NB RAIL PLENARY MEETING

08/05/2013