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Foreword

This European Standard was prepared by SC 9XA, Communication, signalling and processing systems, of Technical Committee CENELEC TC 9X, Electrical and electronic applications for railways.

The text of the draft was submitted to the formal vote and was approved by CENELEC as EN 50129 on 2002-12-01.

This European Standard supersedes ENV 50129:1998.

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Annexes designated "normative" are part of the body of the standard.
Annexes designated "informative" are given for information only.
In this standard, Annexes A, B and C are normative and Annexes D and E are informative.

The contents of the corrigendum of May 2010 have been included in this copy.

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Introduction

This document is the first European Standard defining requirements for the acceptance and approval of safety-related electronic systems in the railway signalling field. Until now only some differing national recommendations and general advice of the UIC (International Union of Railways) on this topic were in existence.

Safety-related electronic systems for signalling include hardware and software aspects. To install complete safety-related systems, both parts within the whole life-cycle of the system have to be taken into account. The requirements for safety-related hardware and for the overall system are defined in this standard. Other requirements are defined in associated CENELEC standards.

The aim of European railway authorities and European railway industry is to develop compatible railway systems based on common standards. Therefore cross-acceptance of Safety Approvals for sub-systems and equipment by the different national railway authorities is necessary. This document is the common European base for safety acceptance and approval of electronic systems for railway signalling applications.

Cross-acceptance is aimed at generic approval, not specific applications. Public procurement within the European Community concerning safety-related electronic systems for railway signalling applications will in future refer to this standard when it becomes an EN.

The standard consists of the main part (Clause 1 to Clause 5) and Annexes A, B, C, D and E. The requirements defined in the main part of the standard and in Annexes A, B and C are normative, whilst Annexes D and E are informative.

This standard is in line with, and uses relevant sections of EN 50126: "Railway applications: The Specification and Demonstration of Dependability - Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and Safety (RAMS)". This standard and EN 50126 are based on the system life-cycle and are in line with EN 61508-1, which is replaced by the set of EN 50126/EN 50128/EN 50129, as far as Railway Communication, Signalling and Processing Systems are involved. Meeting the requirements in these standards is sufficient to ensure that further compliance to EN 61508-1 need not be evaluated.

Because this standard is concerned with the evidence to be presented for the acceptance of safety-related systems, it specifies those life-cycle activities which shall be completed before the acceptance stage, followed by additional planned activities to be carried out after the acceptance stage. Safety justification for the whole of the life-cycle is therefore required.

This standard is concerned with what evidence is to be presented. Except where considered appropriate, it does not specify who should carry out the necessary work, since this may vary in different circumstances.

For safety-related systems which include programmable electronics, additional conditions for the software are defined in EN 50128.

Additional requirements for safety-related data communication are defined in EN 50159-1 and EN 50159-2.

1 Scope

This standard is applicable to safety-related electronic systems (including sub-systems and equipment) for railway signalling applications.

The scope of this standard, and its relationship with other CENELEC standards, are shown in Figure 1.

This standard is intended to apply to all safety-related railway signalling systems/sub-system/equipment. However, the hazard analysis and risk assessment processes defined in EN 50126 and this standard are necessary for all railway signalling systems/sub-systems/equipment, in order to identify any safety requirements. If analysis reveals that no safety requirements exist (i.e.: that the situation is non-safety-related), and provided the conclusion is not revised as a consequence of later changes, this safety standard ceases to be applicable.

This standard applies to the specification, design, construction, installation, acceptance, operation, maintenance and modification/extension phases of complete signalling systems, and also to individual sub-systems and equipment within the complete system. Annex C includes procedures relating to electronic hardware components.

This standard applies to generic sub-systems and equipment (both application-independent and those intended for a particular class of application), and also to systems/sub-systems/equipment for specific applications.

This standard is not applicable to existing systems/sub-systems/equipment (i.e. those which had already been accepted prior to the creation of this standard). However, as far as reasonably practicable, this standard should be applied to modifications and extensions to existing systems, sub-systems and equipment.

This standard is primarily applicable to systems/sub-systems/equipment which have been specifically designed and manufactured for railway signalling applications. It should also be applied, as far as reasonably practicable, to general-purpose or industrial equipment (e.g.: power supplies, modems, etc.), which is procured for use as part of a safety-related signalling system. As a minimum, evidence shall be provided in such cases to demonstrate

either that the equipment is not relied on for safety,

or that the equipment can be relied on for those functions which relate to safety.

This standard is applicable to the functional safety of railway signalling systems. It is not intended to deal with the occupational health and safety of personnel; this subject is covered by other standards.

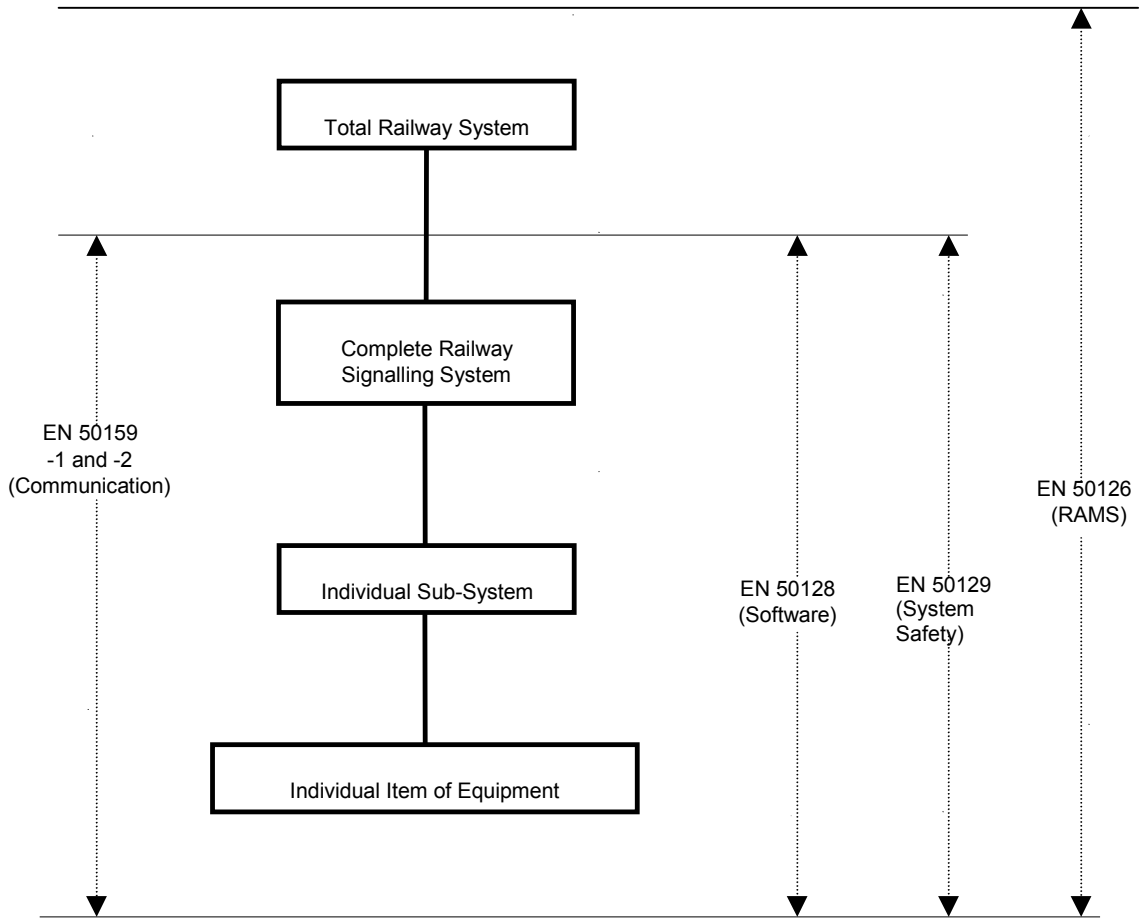

Figure 1 – Scope of the main CENELEC railway application standards

2 Normative references

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

NOTE Additional informative references are included in Bibliography.

EN 50121 Series	Railway applications – Electromagnetic compatibility
EN 50124-1	Railway applications – Insulation coordination – Part 1: Basic requirements - Clearances and creepage distances for all electrical and electronic equipment
EN 50124-2	Railway applications – Insulation coordination – Part 2: Overvoltages and related protection
EN 50125-1	Railway applications – Environmental conditions for equipment – Part 1: Equipment on board rolling stock
EN 50125-3	Railway applications – Environmental conditions for equipment – Part 3: Equipment for signalling and communications
EN 50126	Railway applications – The specification and demonstration of Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and Safety (RAMS)