Standards Chall	enge Applic Date Received	cations (October 2025) Standard Challenged	Primary Standards Steering	Subject	Simplified Summary of Challenge	Current Process Stage
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STDCHAL-000001	07/12/2017	NR/L3/CIV/040. NR/L3/CIV/030 NR/L3/CIV003 - F1990	Buildings & Civils	Modular Steel Platforms	Clarification concerning the current prescribed design life of platforms and minimum steel galvanising levels.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000002		O.E.E 156	Electrical	OLE Mast Design	Potential for simplification of fabricated overhead line masts.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000003 STDCHAL-000004		NR/L2/OHS/044 NR/L3/TRK/2049/MOD07	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment Track	Planning & Managing Construction Work Track Design Handbook Module 07 Gauging	Potential for contractor's Construction Phase Plans to be referenced to the Network Rail template sections.	Not Proceed Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000005		NR/L3/TRK/2049MOD05	Track	Track Design Handbook System Interfaces - Electrical Clearances		Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000006 STDCHAL-000007		NR/L3/TRK/2049MOD05 NR/L3/TRK/2049MOD05	Track	Track Design Handbook System Interfaces - Conductor Rail Track Design Handbook System Interfaces - Platforms	Several sections of the Track Design Handbook reference requirements for other disciplines. Potential for simplification.	Not Proceed Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000007 STDCHAL-000008	12/04/2018	NR/L3/TRK/2049MOD05	Track Track	Track Design Handbook System Interfaces - Platforms Track Design Handbook System Interfaces - Level Crossings		Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000009	13/04/2018	NR/SP/OHS/069 Non-Compliance – Tracker No 3115	Buildings & Civils	Lineside Access Steps	Design requirements for lineside access steps.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000010	13/04/2018	NR/CIV/SD/370 NR/L2/RSE/100/Guide	Network Rail Assurance Panel	NR/L2/RSE/100/Guide	Request for document to be withdrawn as it is out of date.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000011 STDCHAL-000012	17/04/2018 16/04/2018	NR/L3/INI/P3M/126/01 GE/RT8000/HB16, NR/SP/OHS/069	Projects Electrical	Requirements Framework RT3170, ORR Electrical Clearances Policy Statement – Oct	Clarification concerning who is accountable for the RRD. Providing improved clarity in relation to electrical clearance	Accepted Not Proceed
				2016, NR (HS) Asset Protection Development Handbook, GL/RT1210, BS EN 50122-1: 2011	distances.	
STDCHAL-000013		NR/SP/OHS/069	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment	Positions of Safety	Providing improved clarity in relation to positions of safety.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000014 STDCHAL-000015		NR/L3/TRK/2049 NR/L2/ELP/27325	Track Electrical	Depot Track Standards Train borne monitoring of traction power contact systems.	TREAT AS CONFIDENTIAL Clarification in relation to a number of requirements in relation to train borne monitoring of traction power contact systems.	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000016	19/06/2018	NR/L2/TRK/0133	Track	Wheel Impact Load Detection	Controls applied to trains following measurement of forces at Wheel Impact Load Detection (WILD) sites.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000017	22/06/2018	NR/L3/ENV/305	Quality, Health, Safety &	DNO test points	Providing test points for DNO supply cubicles.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000018	26/06/2018	NAT/TW/InfraInv/ENG/EP6248683 NAT/REP/MPI/ENG/EP3736860	Environment Electrical	Points Heating Equipment	Using lower power points heating strips nearer the switch toe.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000019	04/07/2018	NR/L3/TRK/0030	Track	Line Speed following drainage works	Proposal for a more cost-effective regime for track stabilisation following installation of drainage.	Accepted as Variation
STDCHAL-000020	04/07/2018	Various	Track	Track Affected Zone	Proposal to change the influence angle for the track affected	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000021	05/07/2018	NR/L3/TRK/2049	Track	Buffer Locking	zone. Update to calculations to include vehicles without buffers, autocoupler limits and lateral movement of through-corridor	Accepted
STDCHAL-000022	06/07/2018	NR/L2/CIV/177	Buildings & Civils	Monitoring track during building works	autocoupler limits and lateral movement of through-corridor trains. Improving clarity of requirements for monitoring of track in	Accepted
STDCHAL-000023	11/07/2018	NR/TRK/6100/Mod3	Track	Stretcher Bar settings	various situations. Improving clarity of installation and maintenance instructions	Accepted
					for new stretcher bars at switches and crossings.	
STDCHAL-000024	13/07/2018	NR/L2/SIGELP/27418	Signalling Electrical Power	Earth electrode/mat connections	Clarification of requirements for connecting earth electrode/mats.	Accepted as Variation
STDCHAL-000025	26/07/2018	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	Bridge Strengthening	Minimum train live loading values applied to bridge strengthening schemes.	Accepted as Variation
STDCHAL-000026		NR/L2/RSE/0005	Network Rail Assurance Panel	Non-application of Design for Reliability standard to signalling fibre interface	Potential for non-application of requirements for certain commercial off-the-shelf components	Accepted
STDCHAL-000027 STDCHAL-000028	09/08/2018 06/09/2018	NR/2/INI/02009/01 NR/L2/ELP/27311	Projects Electrical	Clarity around Authority to Work roles. Engineering Assurance Requirements	Clarification concerning authority of certain roles. NR/L2/INI/CP0069 listed in the references but document has been withdrawn. Change PRS to RRD/DRRD.	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000029 STDCHAL-000030	09/10/2018 09/10/2018	NR/L2/CIV/072 NAT/REP/MPI/ENG/EP3736860	Buildings & Civils Electrical	Wind Loading on OLE structures Points Heating Equipment	Alignment of wind loading equations to BS EN 50119. Proposed changes to the arrangement drawings for electric	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000031	31/10/2018	NR/L2/ELP/40045 NR standard drawing NR/EP/SD/439	Electrical	Points Heating Equipment	points heating equipment. Transformer terminal arrangements for supplying point strip	Accepted
STDCHAL-000032	12/11/2018	RIS-7016-INS	Buildings & Civils	Platform Crossfall	heaters. Ability to construct platforms that achieve the specified	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000033	21/01/2019	NR/L3/INI/P3M/131/02	Projects	Document Revision Strategy	crossfall gradient limits. Difference between the revision strategy specified in the	Accepted
STDCHAL-000034	30/01/2019	NR/PS/ELP/00008	Electrical	Cable Testing Voltages	standard and the way ProjectWise is configured. Clarification regarding specified testing voltages for single core	Accepted
STDCHAL-000035 STDCHAL-000036	15/02/2019 21/02/2019	NR/SP/ELP/21014 NR/L3/SIG/10064 NR/L2/CIV/044	Signalling Buildings & Civils	Document Format Boreholes	cable used on 25 kV a.c. systems. Readability of text in subject index. Use of a single borehole to confirm ground conditions for under-	Accepted Accepted as Variation
STDCHAL-000036	21/02/2019	NR/L2/CTM/025	Plant	Driving Licence requirements	track crossing (UTX). The standard does not relate to the requirements in the	Not Proceed
		Network Rail Training Toolkit Machine Operator – Highway Permissible Vehicle			training toolbox Delegates section 6.	
STDCHAL-000038 STDCHAL-000039	29/03/2019	NR/L2/CIV/005 NR/L2/CIV/044	Buildings & Civils Buildings & Civils	Operational Property Drainage Undertrack Crossings	Standard currently does not include operational property drainage systems. Minimum depths could use a risk-based approach and rational	Not Proceed Accepted
STECHAL-000039	01704/2019	INVESTIGATION OF THE PROPERTY	buildings & Civiis	Ondertities Crossings	could be provided as to the reason for the requirement for minimum depths.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000040		NR/L2/CIV/177	Buildings & Civils	Monitoring track during building works	Duration of monitoring baseline and adopting a risk-based approach.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000041 STDCHAL-000042		NR/L3/CIV/030 NR/L2/OHS/0044	Buildings & Architecture	Platform Copings Task Printing Shoots	Safe manual handling / lifting of coping stones, and loading requirements.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000042 STDCHAL-000043	25/04/2019	NR-L2-TRK-2102 Issue 8	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment Track	Task Briefing Sheets Handback linespeed following track replacement	Format of Task Briefing Sheet. Handing back the track at line speed following infrastructure	Not Proceed Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000044		NR-L2-TRK-4239 Issue 1 NR/GN/CIV/025	Buildings & Civils	Bridge Filler Beams	works to replace the track. Allowance for longitudinal shear resistance offered by metal	Accepted
STDCHAL-000045	25/04/2019	NR/SP/ELP/21041	Electrical	Battery Specification Requirements	components protruding into concrete. Alternative approach to performance calculation of battery life	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000046	25/04/2019	NR/L2/CIV/044	Buildings & Civils	Undertrack Crossings	with photovoltaic system. Proposed performance specification instead of minimum depth of cover	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000047	25/04/2019	NR/L2/ELP/40068	Electrical	Alternative Back-up Power Supplies	of cover. Include Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS) & Battery back-up supplies to signalling Principal Supply Points and Relocatable	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000048		NR/CS/CIV/044	Buildings & Civils	Functionality in Design	Equipment Buildings. Integrated design approach using Functionality in Design.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000049	25/04/2019	NR/L3/CIV/071	Geotechnical	Design Methodology of Geotechnical Structures	Alternative design and calculation methods for geotechnical structures.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000050 STDCHAL-000051		NR/CIV/SD/3020 – 34 NR/L3/SIGELP/50002	Buildings & Civils Signalling	Recess beneath Platform Edge Working on or near Signalling Power Distribution	Standard design dimensions do provide a TSI compliant recess. Type of equipment covered by the 'test before touch'	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000052	29/04/2019	NAT/REP/MPI/ENG/EP3736860	Electrical Power Electrical	equipment Points Heating Equipment	procedure. Securing of Point Heating Strips	Accepted
STDCHAL-000053		NR/L3/CIV/020 Issue 1 NR/CIV/TUM/400 Rev E	Buildings & Civils	Requirements for Footbridges	Inconsistencies between NR/L3/CIV/020, the standard footbridge design described in NR/CIV/TUM/400 and associated drawings, and DfT standard 'Design Standards for	Accepted
STDCHAL-000054	03/06/2019	NR/L3/CIV/140/150C	Buildings & Civils	Requirements for Clay Bricks	Accessible Railway Stations'. BS 3921 has been withdrawn hence brick is no longer certified	Accepted
STDCHAL-000055	04/06/2019	NR -GN-CIV-163	Buildings & Civils	Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations	to this standard Duties required by the Water Supply (Water Fittings)	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000056	04/06/2019	NR/L2/TRK/2500	Track	Engineering Assurance Requirements	Regulations 1999. Engineering Assurance Arrangements for Track Engineering Projects outputs	Accepted
STDCHAL-000057 STDCHAL-000058	07/06/2019 11/06/2019	NR/L2/ELP/21131 NR/SP/ELP/21051	Electrical Electrical	Warning sign dimensions for substations DC circuit breaker protection settings	Warning sign dimensions for substations Improved quidance for calculation of protection settings for DC	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000059	13/05/2019	NR/GN/ELP/27006 NR/L2/INF/02202	Information Management	H&S File Memorandum of Agreement and Deliverable	circuit breakers Combine two forms into one.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000060	13/05/2019	NR/L2/INI/02009	Projects	Document Matrix CRE Competence Requirements	CRE competence requirements for off-site fabrication / quality	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000061	13/05/2019	NR/L3/CIV/151/F010	Buildings & Civils	Requirements for doweling platform coping stones	assurance. Clarity on the requirements for doweling coping stones and provision of method for protecting worker from falls from	Accepted
STDCHAL-000062	01/05/2019	NR/L3/INI/CP0063	Buildings & Civils	Design check categories for platform piling	height / moving trains whist working on platforms. Clarification on category of design checks for platform piling.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000063	17/06/2019	NR/L2/CIV/003 NR/L3/CIV/140/52C NR/CIV/SD/280	Buildings & Civils	Use of centralisers when soil nailing	Proposal to not use centralisers when using self-drilling soil nails.	Not Proceed
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STDCHAL-000064	15/07/2019	NR/L2/ELP/27715	Group Electrical	Track construction tolerances	Track construction tolerances to provide electrical clearances.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000065	05/07/2019	NR/SP/ELP/27224	Electrical	Installation of cable routes	Specification for installation of cable routes forming part of the	Accepted
STDCHAL-000066 STDCHAL-000067	22/08/2019 22/08/2019	NR/L2/TRK/2102 NR/L2/OPS/033	Track	Minimum Rail Length (IBJ) Recording Spoken Safety Critical Communication	traction distribution system Minimum rail lengths for insulated block joints Recording Spoken Safety Critical Communications between	Accepted
31DCHAL-000067	22/06/2019	INK/L2/OF3/U33	Operations	Recording spoken safety Chical Communication	Possession Management and Engineering Trains/On-Track Plant Drivers when Working in Possessions and Worksites	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000068	27/08/2019	NR/L2/TRK/001/mod14	Track	Stress Free Temperature Values	Stress Free Temperature Value Hierarchy following Project Works	Accepted
STDCHAL-000069 STDCHAL-000070	09/09/2019	NR-L3-TRK-003 TEF3069 NR/L3/TRK/003	Track	TEF3069 Pesticide Application Record	Change to title TEF form to include the word herbicide instead of or alongside pesticide	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000070	12/09/2019	NR/L2/TRK/001/MOD14	Track Track	Index of Track Engineering Forms (TEFs) Stress Free Temperature Values	Index needs to be updated to accurately reflect the current issues of TEFs Review the current Stress Free Temperature values to manage	Accepted Accepted
					risks associated with disturbance/works in adjacent to track and in the shoulder area only.	
STDCHAL-000072 STDCHAL-000073	26/09/2019 25/09/2019	NR/L2/TRK/2102 N2/L2/CIV/003/F002	Track Buildings & Civils	Ballast Ramps Approval in Principle	Alternative arrangements to installing ballast ramps Include requirement for designer to confirm design complies with the Approval In Principle document	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000074 STDCHAL-000075	24/09/2019 07/10/2019	NR/L2/CIV/072 NR/SP/ELP/27242	Buildings & Civils Electrical	Wind Loading of OLE and Structures Cable Protection	Correction to cross-reference Clarification on the level of mechanical protection required to	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000076	11/10/2019	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Minimum rail length	be provided to Class II distribution cables. Minimum rail length required for permanent situation	Accepted
STDCHAL-000077	14/10/2019	NR/L2/CIV/005 NR/GN/CIV/002	Buildings & Civils Buildings & Civils	Drainage plans	Risk-based approach to runoff from common surfaces found within the Network Rail estate	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000078	15/10/2019	NR/L3/CIV/040 NR/L3/CIV/039	Buildings & Civils	Use of fluoropolymer paint technology	To facilitate the use of fluoropolymer paint technology thereby enabling paint systems with design lives of up to sixty years	Accepted
STDCHAL-000079	23/10/2019	NR/L3/CIV/151/F010	Buildings & Civils	Standard designs for DNO supply points and ballast boards	Provision of standard designs for DNO supply points and ballast boards	Accepted
STDCHAL-000080	04/11/2019	NR/CIV/SD/201	Buildings & Civils	Gabion fill material	Amend gabion fill material specification and gabion basket mesh size to allow track ballast to be used as gabion fill material	Accepted
STDCHAL-000081	04/11/2019	NR/L2/INI/02009/02	Projects	Competence quads for key resources	Create a central database of approved CEM and CRE resources	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000082	04/11/2019	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	Design criteria for replacement of structural parts and elements	Alternate design criteria to replacement of structural parts and elements	Accepted
STDCHAL-000083 STDCHAL-000084	08/11/2019 12/11/2019	NR-L2-TRK-9020 NR/L3/CIV/140/172C	Track Buildings & Civils	Structural Expansion Joints Bolt Protective Coating	Correction to figure showing which rails are free and fixed Requirement for protective coating required for cast in holding	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000085	20/11/2019	NR/L3/MTC/089	Maintenance	Asset Management Plan optimisation	down bolts. Optimisation of the Asset Management Plan (AMP) enabling	Accepted
STDCHAL-000086	20/11/2019	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	Form 2/3 Completion	projects to be delivered more efficiently Requirement to complete Form 2/3 for certain category works	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000087	11/11/2019	NR/L2/RSE/100/05	Network Rail Assurance Panel	Product Acceptance requirements	Suggested changes to Product Acceptance requirements	Accepted
STDCHAL-000088 STDCHAL-000089	27/11/2019	NR/SP/ELP/21085 NR/L2/CIV/072	Electrical	Touch Voltages	Alignment of permissible touch voltages with 2017 version of BS EN 50122-1	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000089 STDCHAL-000090	02/12/2019	NR/L2/CIV/072 NR/L2/CIV/073 NR/L3/CIV/039	Buildings & Civils Buildings & Civils	Design of OLE structures Life of coatings	Life of coatings on surfaces prepared to St3 manually or by	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000091	19/12/2019	NR/L2/TRK/3100	Track	Accuracy of track survey system	power tools Accuracy of RILA track survey measurement method	Accepted
STDCHAL-000092	17/01/2020	NR/SP/OHS/069	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment	Access Paths and Cess Walkways	Construction requirements for walkways and also clarity around requirements for provision.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000093 STDCHAL-000094	17/01/2020 21/01/2020	NR/L3/CIV/030 NR/PS/ELP/00008	Buildings & Architecture Electrical	Platform Coping Stone Dimensions Cable Specifications	Dimensions of coper stones for platforms. Some of the specified British Standards are no longer applicable or valid.	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000095 STDCHAL-000096	05/02/2020 10/02/2020	NR/SP/ELP/21032 NR/L2/TRK/3203	Electrical Track	d.c. earthing arrangements Platform Gauge Recording	Requirements for earthing arrangements. Measurement equipment and methods for platform gauge	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000097	17/02/2020	NR/L3/ELP/27250	Electrical	Conductor Rail Drawings	recording. Further information needed for requirements relating to	Accepted
STDCHAL-000098 STDCHAL-000099	19/02/2020 21/02/2020	NR/L3/CIV/040 NR/L3/CIV/140	Buildings & Civils Buildings & Civils	Requirements for galvanising Protective Coating Requirements	conductor rail provision. Thickness of galvanising. Recommended review of documents to reduce complexity and	Not Proceed Accepted
31DCHAL-000099	21/02/2020	NR/L3/CIV/039 NR/L3/CIV/040	Buildings & Civils	Protective Couling Requirements	cost for protective coating works.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000100	25/02/2020	NR-GN-CIV-002 NR/L2/ELP/27212 NR/L2/ELP/21088/02	Electrical	OLE Stagger Reduction Values	Clarification of requirements for MK1 OLE equipment stagger reduction.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000101	06/03/2020	NR/L2/TRK/0032	Track	Rail Grinding for Welding	Rail grinding requirements for joining rails by aluminothermic welding	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000102	14/03/2020	NR/L2/RMVP/0200/P508	Plant	Personal Voltage Detectors	Mandating the use of personnel voltage detectors when working in OLE areas in MEWPs to prevent inadvertent contact	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000103	16/03/2020	NR/CIV/SD/440 NR/CIV/SD/441	Buildings & Civils	Footbridge Ramps	with live electrical conductors Inconsistency with requirements for gradients of footbridge ramps	Accepted
		NR/CIV/SD/442 NR/CIV/SD/443			Turnps	
STDCHAL-000104	19/03/2020	NR/L2/INI/EDT/CP0091	Projects	Building Information Modelling	Requirements for colours used in Building Information Modelling	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000105 STDCHAL-000106	25/03/2020	NR/L3/CIV/151/F010 NR/CIV/SD/3010, NR/CIV/SD/3012 NR/PS/SIG/11763	Buildings & Civils Signalling	Asphalt and Yellow Lines for Platforms Reed Track Circuits	Detailed requirements relating to materials used Requirements relating to cable lengths and loop impedance	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000108 STDCHAL-000108	15/04/2020 05/05/2020	NR/L2/CIV/177 NR/L2/OTK/5100	Buildings & Civils Off Track	Monitoring track during building works Boundary Measures Manual	Action limits for measurement of twist Incomplete standard issues and previous version withdrawn.	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000109	13/05/2020	NR/L3/MTC/CP009	Maintenance	Travel arrangements during COVID-19 pandemic	Requirements for travelling in vans (COVID-19)	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000110	01/06/2020	NAT/REP/MPI/ENG/EP3736860 NR/EP/SD/4005, NR/EP/SD/4006 NR/EP/SD/4007	Electrical	Points Heating Equipment	New combination of Point Operating Equipment and rail type has been introduced	Accepted
STDCHAL-000111	04/06/2020	NR/L3/CIV/140/52C	Buildings & Civils	Use of furnace bottom ash	Amend the standard to reflect the guidelines in the Environment Agency Regulatory Position Statement 172 "The regulation of the use of unbound pulverised fuel ash and	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000112	04/06/2020	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	Number of footbridge risers	furnace bottom ash" Discrepancy between NR/L3/CIV/020 and BD29/04 (6.6) and	Accepted
					the code of practice, regarding accessible train station design for disabled people for the number of risers and goings for a footbridge	
STDCHAL-000113	04/06/2020	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	Bridge collision loading	Use and adapt/adopt UIC777-2R within Network Rail standards to provide a more cost efficient design for railway collision	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000114	11/06/2020	NR/L2/ELP/21085	Electrical	Along-track screening conductors	loading The statement "Along-track screening conductors are not required for signalling power cobles" is micloading.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000115	15/06/2020	NR/L2/ELP/21085	Electrical	Short circuit rating of conductors	required for signalling power cables" is misleading Dimensioning of conductors for short-circuit rating using the adiabatic method for different fault levels	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000116	22/06/2020	NR/L2/ELP/21085	Electrical	Current contact zone parameter	Proposals for the current contact zone parameter in relation to the highest point of the overhead contact line	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000117 STDCHAL-000118		NR/L2/ELP/21085 NR/L2/CIV/074	Electrical Buildings & Civils	Aerial earth wire termination bonds Overhead line foundation loads	Clarify the number of aerial earth wire termination bonds Removal of the 'minimum load' table for the design and Installation of purphased line foundations	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000119 STDCHAL-000120	14/07/2020 14/07/2020	NR/L3/ELP/27218 NR/L2/ELP/21120	Electrical Electrical	Symbol Library Record Information	Installation of overhead line foundations. The symbol library is not up to date. Standards need to be updated to reflect current working	Accepted Accepted
		NR-L2-INI-EDT-CP0091 NR-SP-ELP-27300			practices and procedures and/or standard working practices need to be made to comply with these procedures.	
STDCHAL 000121	16/07/2020	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Tag Files for SSI records	Provision of 'Tag Files etc for SSI' was no longer required by NB26.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000122 STDCHAL-000123	06/08/2020	NR/L2/CIV/193 NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Architecture Buildings & Civils	Lift Commissioning Asset Status Reports	Further clarity required on the requirements for lift commissioning and acceptance. Provison of Asset Status Reports by the RAM team to ensure the	Not Proceed Accepted
	. 55,051,2020		_ andings & Civils		designers are aware of issues with assets which interface with the proposed works to prevent work in later GRIP stages.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000124	16/09/2020	NR/L1/OHS/051	Quality, Health, Safety &	Drugs and Alcohol Policy	Clarification as to whether randon testing applies to PTS card	Accepted
STDCHAL-000125	16/09/2020	NR/L2/OHS/0120 NR/L2/SCO/302	Environment Supply Chain Operations	Supplier Qualification & Audit	holders or all Sentinel card holders. Challenge to requirement for the supplier to be able to demonstrate the requirements of the standard without a	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000126	24/09/2020	NR/L2/RMVP/0200 Module P503	Plant	Lifting Operations	consultant present at the audit Potential to use existing construction competencies for for	Not Proceed
					lifting operations such as Crane Supervisor and Slinger Signaller.	
STDCHAL-000127	12/10/2020	NR/L3/INI/P3M/131/01	Projects	Project Information Management	Standard does not enable application of modern/best practice.	Accepted

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STDCHAL-000128	12/10/2020	NR/L3/INI/P3M/131/02	Group Projects	Document Referencing	Standard does not enable application of modern/best practice.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000129	11/11/2020	NR/L2/OHS/050	Quality, Health, Safety &	Sentinel Scheme Rules	Content is out-of-date and needs revision to reflect current	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000130	17/11/2020	NR/L3/CIV/039	Environment Buildings & Civils	Paint Specification	practice. Clarify if Paint N18 should be specified for external steelwork.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000131	19/11/2020	NR/L3/SIG/MG0110 NR/L3/SIG/SG0111 NR/L3/TRK/7006	Signalling	Production of TSR and ESR designs	There is no defined standard for the production of TSR and ESR designs, no competence for the designer clearly defined or defined requirements for the competence of staff installing speed warning equipment for project works (outside the maintenance organisation).	Accepted
STDCHAL-000132	02/11/2020	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	Height of parapet	1.5m high parapet height over the length of the bridge with mesh infill panels to provide natural light for the bridge crossing.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000133	11/12/2020	NR/GN/CIV/200/01	Buildings & Civils	Flooring slip resistance	Proposal to adopt a minimum target rating of 36 Pendulum Test Value for level floors in internal controlled areas	Accepted
STDCHAL-000134	16/12/2020	NR/L2/SIG/30060	Signalling	Use of Petroleum Jelly Filler	Proposal that Petroleum Jelly Filler is removed from the existing standard for all LSZH cable types and is replaced by using specific cable water blocking tapes	Accepted
STDCHAL-000135	16/12/2020	RT/E/PS/00005	Signalling	Cable specification for sub-surface stations and tunnels	Revise and update the standard for the construction and fire performance safety requirements for operational use in subsurface section 12 stations and tunnels	Accepted
STDCHAL-000136		NR/L2/TEL/30135	Telecommunications	CCT V coverage for fire exits & secondary means of escape	Expand table 3 (cl.9.4.1) to provide clear requirements for CCTV coverage for fire exits & secondary means of escape	Accepted
STDCHAL-000137	19/01/2021	NR/L1/ELP/27000	Electrical	Operational Sectioning Locations	Delete clause 4.7.3, (should not be requireemnt for all loops but considered on its merits)	Accepted
STDCHAL-000138 STDCHAL-000139	28/01/2021 10/02/2021	NR/L3/ELP/27237 NR/L1/ELP/27000	Electrical Electrical	D29 Droppers Design of crossovers & turnouts	Add details on requirements for installation EP267 is amber. Should be green to align with related clause in	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000140	10/02/2021	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	Accidental derailment loading	NR/L2/ELP/27715 To be able to use columns not designed for train derailment but that will be protected by the existing platform (at Walton-on-Thames)	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000141	10/02/2021	NR/L3/TRK/2049	Track	Non-provision of future OLE clearance	To be able to locate footbridge (at Walton-on-Thames) to provide clear distance of 4.64m from rail level to the soffit of	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000142	17/02/2021	NR/L2/OHS/019	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment	Management of runaway risk	the bridge. To update Appendix B of module 05 to allow the user of watchpersons where no barrier can be put in place (removinge	Accepted
STDCHAL-000143	18/02/2021	NR/L2/OHS/019	Quality, Health, Safety &	Management of runaway risk	Conflict with Appendix C) To be able to use Watchmen (non lookout) with audible system	Accepted
STDCHAL-000144	18/02/2021	NR/L2/TRK/2500	Environment Track	Roles & responsiblities	where none of the listed control measures can be implemented & the work is at night or in a tunnel Amended to provide clear responsibility for obtaining the NR/L2/MTC/089/AMP009 and incorporating this information into the design before the form A is issued for approval.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000145	03/03/2021	NR/L2/ELP/27311	Track	Roles & responsiblities	Records of Verifying documents - Add a box to the form where references to Verifying documents can be recorded. Certification of consequential works- Provide guidance within the standard as to how consequential works are certified. Specifically, the replacement of passive fire stopping.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000146	03/03/2021	NR/L2/OHS/00110	Track	Roles & responsiblities	Permit contractors to use their own governance for sites they are managing in accordance with their own HSMS: simplifies contract administration.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000147	03/03/2021	NR/L3/INI/CP0036	Track	Roles & responsiblities	Permit contractors to use their own governance for the provision of welfare facilities if contractors have suitable arrangements which equal or exceed those of Network Rail.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000148	11/03/2021	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	Inspection and Testing	Section 14 should be reworded into a number of key requirements.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000149	12/03/2021	NR/L3/CIV/023	Buildings & Civils	Misleading clause 8.2.12.2	Update the clause to explain that the plastic section modulus should not be used to increase the capacity of members in bending e.g. cross members, that are a part of an outrigger-frame/ U-frame etc.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000150	17/03/2021	NR/CIV/SD/TUM/400	Buildings & Civils	Clause 3.3 & drainage cover details shown on drawing number NR/CIV/SD/432	Holes provided in the drainage covers - an alternative design providing slots 3 times the void area.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000151	22/03/2021	NR/L2/MTC/089	Maintenance	Minimum Asset Data Requirements (MADR)	Include the MADR as a fully referenced document with a full document number linked to the standard. Provide a formal process within the standard for updating the MADR.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000152	22/03/2021	NR/L2/OHS/019	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment	Management of Runaway Risk	Use of a Watchman (non lookout).	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000153	22/03/2021	NR/L2/OHS/019	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment	Reference documentation - Page 5	Out of date references	Accepted
STDCHAL-000154 STDCHAL-000155	23/03/2021 25/03/2021	NR/L2/SIG/11201 NR/L2/OHS/020	Signalling Quality, Health, Safety &	Sections 1.1.4 & 1.1.5 referencing incorrect General updates required throughout but notably to	Out of date references Out of date references	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000156	28/04/2021	NR/L2/ELP/21085	Environment Electrical	Sections, 5, 6 and 8. Section 12.1.1.1	Update to capture GWEP requirements which need to be	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000157	24/05/2021	NR/SP/ELP/27044	Electrical	Section 4 – Switching Station Designation	retained Update 2 character designation to 4 characters. A central, national database of utilised names should be maintained to ensure no clashes or duplications.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000158	25/05/2021	NR/L3/SIG/11303	Signalling	New method of installing cabinets	Inclusion of the new Rail Cabinet Base System as at the very least a noted option for cabinet installation.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000159	26/05/2021	NR/L3/OPS/251	Operations	Unmanned Aircraft System (Drone / UAS) Operations	Introduce a new section that covers the use of Class A1 drones (less than 250g)	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000160	09/09/2021	NR/L2/OHS/069	Quality, Health, Safety & Environment	6.2 Access Gates	Signs at new access points	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000161	30/06/2021	NR/L3/CIV/006	Buildings & Civils	Entering a new asset into the structures database / management system.	The standard is updated to include requirements for new assets and what inspections are needed to list new assets into the management systems	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000162 STDCHAL-000163	01/07/2021	NR/L2/TRK/2102 NR/L3/TRK/2049	Track	Amber vs Green sidebars mod01: Clause A.5.1 & A.5.2	A dotted Green sidebar should be added against the text "Changes in vertical alignment shall not be coincidental with changes in horizontal alignment.". The level of detail provided in Tables 1 & 2 is "misleading with	Accepted Accepted
					the potential to cause injury to staff" if the information is used at face value without further detailed reference to the REPW series of drawings.	·
STDCHAL-000164 STDCHAL-000165	14/07/2021 19/07/2021	NR/L2/RSE/02009 NR/L2/RSE/02009	Systems Engineering Systems Engineering	Section B6. CRE construction The Role of 'Design Engineer'	Out of date references The requirements for the identification/requirements for a DE and how to assess when one is required is needed to give the standard greater clarity and to allow it to be applied consistently.	Accepted Accepted as Variation
STDCHAL-000166	19/07/2021	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track / Signals	Design and Construction of Track; plus: NR/L2/SIG/11201, issue 14: Signalling Design Handbook NR/L2/TRK/3100, issue 5: Topographic, engineering, land and measured building surveying	Cross Referencing & Clauses	Accepted
STDCHAL-000167 STDCHAL-000168	21/07/2021 22/07/2021	NR/L2/ELP/40068 NR/L2/CIV/193	Electrical Buildings & Architecture	Diesel generator minimum running time Footbridges 7 Lift call buttons	Change of mrt. Relocate lift call button	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000169	22/07/2021	NR/L2/TRK/3203	Track	The available range of Survey Methods in Table E.1 which does not recognise the advances in survey technology and the introduction of new survey equipment since this Standard was published in 2011.	Standard should be revised to include the latest survey equipment and allow alternative (more modern) methods of survey data collection and post-survey processing which can produce more accurate data sets and reduce the unnecessary iterations of design and additional clearance analysis.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000170	06/08/2021	NR/L3/ELP/27250	Electrical	Sheet 602 – Symbols for cable and bonds used on negative drawings	Due to on-going 150mm2 alu cable shortages, the only alternate provided by the table is a 161mm2 copper cables. In most cases copper cables are non preferred due to likely cable theft risk.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000171	13/08/2021	NR/L2/CIV/177	Buildings & Civils	Figure 1 in section 5 and Table 3 in section 6	The order of tests in figure 1 does not match the wording of section 5, and the wording in the table is unclear and is being	Accepted
STDCHAL-000172	16/08/2021	NR NR/L2/CIV/005	Buildings & Civils	10 Post- Installation	misapplied in practice Stdnard should: - Clearly stated requirement for post installation CCTV surveys to be undertaken require that copies of any discharge consent are provided to the RAM as part of the handover provide clarity on need to provide operation & maintenance manuals for non-standard items such as oil inceptors etc.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000173	17/08/2021	NR/L2/CIV/096	Mining and Tunnels	Drafting errors	The standard seems to contain some drafting errors. The	Accepted
STDCHAL-000174	13/09/2021	NR/L2/ELP/23001	Electrical	6.2 Environmental Conditions	challenge seeks to resolve these to improve clarity. COTS vs full engineered to order solution.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000175	15/09/2021	NR/L2/ELP/27550	Electrical	5.3.2 Interdisciplinary Check and Review Evidence	Issue 2 of the standard included some updates which adversely affected the clarity of cl.5.3.2.	Accepted

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STDCHAL-000176	29/09/2021	NR/L2/RSE/02009	Group Systems Engineering	Clause 10.4.6 and all sub-clauses, Plus Module 1	Recording of competencies	Accepted
STDCHAL-000177	30/09/2021	NR/GN/CIV/202	Buildings & Civils	Appendix B.5 Guidance on information signage	The requirement for signs "on the left" side of the bridge is	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000178	30/09/2021	NR/L2/RSE/02009	Systems Engineering	Clause 10.4.6 and all sub-clauses, Plus Module 1	unclear. Recording of competencies	Accepted
STDCHAL-000179	05/10/2021	NR/L2/RSE/02009	Systems Engineering	Appendix B.5 Clause 10.4.6 and all sub-clauses, Plus Module 1	Recording of competencies	Accepted
STDCHAL-000180	06/10/2021	NR/L2/ELP/27715	Electrical	Appendix B.5 Flexibility when positioning DEP (Designated Earthing	Standard (and others as applicable) should not intentionally	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000181	07/10/2021	NR/L2/MTC/006	Quality, Health, Safety &	Point) locations Standard out of date	provide conflict with NR/L3/ELP/29987/07. Update Standard	Accepted
STDCHAL-000182	12/10/2021	NR/L2/CIV/177	Environment Buildings & Civils	Section 4 definition of track support zone & Section 6	Update Standard Sections	Accepted
STDCHAL-000183	13/10/2021	NR/L2/TRK/4040	Track	table 3 Design Requirements	- When installing a Level crossing system as a temporary RRAP	Not Proceed
					under standard NR/L2/RMVP/0200/P301 where ballast is used instead of a road surfacing. - Devices placed centrally between the rails over a width of 300 mm & angled down at 45° to deflect anything hanging from a train which could otherwise damage or displace an end internal panel.	
STDCHAL-000184	25/10/2021	NR/L3/CIV/020 ISSUE 1	Buildings & Civils	Duration of time between maintenance based on whole life cost	The standard is updated to include guidance on the preferred interventions periods.	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000185	22/10/2021	NR/L2/RSE/30041	Systems Engineering	Application of BS EN 50121-4 within the railway boundary	Limit application of BS EN 50121-4 to safety critical Signalling and Telecommunication equipment located within 3m of the	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000186	17/11/2021	NR/L3/CIV/006/2A	Buildings & Civils	The examiner should also be required to check the height	nearest rail of an electrified line. An additional check is included to ensure data used for sat navs	Not Proceed
STECHAL GOOTOO	1771172021	THIVES/CIV/OOU/2A	Buildings & Civils	limit as shown on the bridge matches the records held in the National street Gazetteer.	is correct	Notribeed
STDCHAL-000187	17/12/2021	NR/L3/CIV/071	Geotechnical	Geotechnical parameters	An additional clause is added to the standard to require designers to specify additional geotechnical investigations at the start of the site works to confirm the validity of the Geotechnical parameters used in the design.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000188	16/12/2021	NR/L3/CIV/0063	Buildings & Civils	Purpose, Sections 5.1 & Appendix B	Purpose - updated doc to have commonly defined terms Section 5.1 - The hierarchy is replaced with a flow diagram and clear definition of hazards which needed assessment for possible collapse on to NR property which are not mitigated by this standard. Appendix B - Update diagrams to match requirements of standard.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000189	20/12/2021	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	General issue relating to activities post issue of approved	Approval of fabrication drawings	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000190	23/12/2021	NR/L2/ELP/40045	Electrical	design for construction 6.2 performance requirements	Update of standard to include requirements for energy	Accepted
STDCHAL-000191	24/12/2021	NR/L2/RSE/02009	Systems Engineering	Various	efficiency / heat loss prevention / use of smart control systems to avoid unnecessary running time / supervisory control and data acquisition. Various changes to align with project SPEED and improve	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000192		NR/L2/TRK/4239	Track	Re suppliers using virgin fill from a quarry (eg.Type 1),	delivery by the reduction of complexity. It is proposed that the extract of cl.5.5.4.4 above be amended	Accepted
31DC11AE-000192	23/12/2021	INV. E2/ INV. 4239	Huck	not recycled (eg 6F4).	to clarify that recycled materials from SCO are compliant for use in the trackbed.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000193	29/12/2021	NR/L2/TRK/4239	Track	cl.6.7 Supervision and Monitoring	It would be helpful for the wider industry if NR updated their guidance and standards to provide consistency and clarity over what is considered to be a) track and b) track bed or formation, and the product approval requirements that apply to each	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000194		NR/L3/TRK/002	Track	Various - Standard "out of date"	Update Standard	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000195	04/01/2022	NR/L3/ELP/29987	Electrical	3.1 Areas of Reduced Wire Height	3.1 mandates a set of requirements for a specific hazard, no requirements are provided for how the locations of the known hazard (reduce wire height) is communicated to the wider railway industry.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000196 STDCHAL-000197		NR/L3/CIV/151 NR/L2/OHS/0044	Buildings & Civils Workforce Safety	Details on drawing NR/CIV/SD/263 issue E	Various Change in wording to L2/OHS/0044F01, and addition of	Not Proceed Not Proceed
31DCHAL-000197	04/02/2022	NR/12/0H3/0044	Workforce Surety	L2/OHS/0044F02 L2/OHS/0044F03	signature box and wording to L2/OHS/0044/F02 and F03	Not Froceed
STDCHAL-000198	15/02/2022	NR/L3/TRK/003	Track	Item 14 Sleeper / Bearers	The form currently is silent with respect to longitudinal timbers and provides no prompt to specific hand back requirements for longitudinal bearers	Accepted
STDCHAL-000199	02/03/2022	NR/L2/TRK/1019	Track	General visual inspection minimum illuminance requirements	Lower the minimum illumnance requriements.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000200	07/03/2022	NR/L2/OHS/00130	Workforce Safety	Fixed Permanent and fixed temporary barriers	Update the standard to remove the 2.75m requirement but inset a requirement to risk access from the proximity to the live OLE	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000201	07/03/2022	NR/L3/CIV/006	Buildings & Civils	6.7 Watercourses	An additional check is included to ensure trash screens are designed / working as per current best practice	Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000202 STDCHAL-000203		NR/L2/OHS/021 NR/L3/TRK/7012	Workforce Safety Track	Various Various	Update Standard Various	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000204	04/04/2022	NR/CIV/SD/TUM/101	Buildings & Civils	3.1.3 Intrusive weeds 5.10 / 5.11/ 5.12 Cracks	Mixing of Weed killer. Update to provide requirements and details for the provision of date tabs.	Accepted
STDCHAL-000205 STDCHAL-000206		NR/I2/TRK/2102 NR/L2/CIV/295	Track Buildings & Civils	cl.10.3.4 Ballast excavation It's not obvious how the tidal velocity should be used in	Provide guidance on control measures to reduce risks. Clarify this, and update this standard to enable asset	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000207		NR/L2/INI/CP1030	Workforce Safety	Figure A.9 EX2502 calculation sheet Various	management teams to appropriately manage tidal scour. Scope, Requirements – types what Level 2 / How Level 3, Accessibility of forms, Requirements – restrictions from product	Accepted
STDCHAL OCCUPA	16 105 10000	ND/I 2/CD//A/	Duddie 0 Ct 4	d 9 / 1 Dooth of Cours	acceptance process, Requirements – harmonisation with PAS128	
STDCHAL 000208		NR/L2/CIV/044	Buildings & Civils	cl.8.4.1 Depth of Cover	Update drawings to reflect the shallower depth stated in the standard.	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000209 STDCHAL-000210		NR/L2/OHS/021 NR-L2-ELP-21106	Workforce Safety	Requirement for general purpose gloves when working on site Network Pail do not have a standard for calculation of	Change requirement for gloves with a cut resistance Level 5.	Not Proceed
		NR-L2-ELP-21106 NR-L3-ELP-21085	Electrical	Network Rail do not have a standard for calculation of protection settings for their Auto Transformer systems	Expand scope to include Auto Transformer Systems & bring other details up to date Improve the contents of the standard	Accepted
STDCHAL-000211 STDCHAL-000212		NR-L3-ELP-21085 NR/L2/OHS/00130	Electrical Workforce Safety	Various Various	Improve the contents of the standard. Affordability of the protection methods detailed within the standard.	Accepted Accepted
STDCHAL-000213 STDCHAL-000214		NR/SP/ELP/27242 NR/L2/CIV/177	Electrical Buildings & Civils	Standard out of date Type of monitoring	Complete revision Clearly define allowable methodology for monitoring the track & other types of infrastructure.	Accepted Not Proceed
STDCHAL-000215 STDCHAL-000216		NR/L2/CIV/178 NR/L2/TRK/2102	Buildings & Civils Track	Definition of Working Platform Changes in horizontal alignment	Amend the definition of Working Platform. Where track lowers are being considered for Electrification or gauge clearance allow vertical alignment changes to be	Not Proceed Accepted
STDCHAL-000217	28/07/2022	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Constant grade 30m either side of an overbridge	coincident with horizontal transitions Where track lowers are being considered for Electrification or gauge clearance, allow vertical curves to be designed through an overhidde	Accepted
STDCHAL-000218	28/07/2022	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Vertical element (constant gradient)	an overbridge Where track lowers are being considered for Electrification or gauge clearance allow vertical element lengths less than 2 seconds at maximum linespeed	Accepted
STDCHAL-000219 STDCHAL-000220	09/08/2022	NR/L2/CTM/220 NR/L2/ELP/21085	Competence & Training Electrical	Various Guidance for Bonding in complex areas	Various Clause 18.2.2 is updated to include a guidance section.	Not Proceed Accepted
CHL/1	30/09/2022	NR/L3/OHS/019-IP	Workforce Safety	Planned removal of standard	Removal of the requirements of NR/L3/OHS/019 ahead of the planned date of December 2022.	Accepted
CHL/2	03/10/2022	NR/L2/CIV/044	Buildings & Civils	Depth of UTX cover to be a minimum of 900mm between sleeper soffit and crown of pipe.	A reduction in the desirable depth of cover without additional measures to 600mm.	Not Proceed
CHL/3	04/10/2022	NR/L3/OHS/019-IP	Workforce Safety	Withdrawl of standard	Work to NR/L2/OHS/019 Issue 11 and disregard NR/L3/OHS/019-IP.	Accepted
CHL/4 CHL/5	04/10/2022	NR/L1/ELP/27000	Electrical	Various	EP-23 & Clause 4.5.9 to be corrected. Missing Appendices	Not Proceed
CHL/6 CHL/7	24/10/2022	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	RACI chart	Asset Manager responsibility	Accepted
CHL/8 CHL/9	07/11/2022	NR/L2/CIV/177	Buildings & Civils	Varous	Reference to other standards	Not Proceed
CHL/10 CHL/11	14/11/2022	NR/L2/OHS/00130 NR/L2/RSE/02009	Workforce Safety Systems Engineering	COSS as Site Controller The mandatory requirement for IDC on simple, single	Mandatory use of a COSS on every site A simpler and quicker process.	Accepted Not Proceed
CHL/12	15/11/2022	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	discipline projects All As Built standards	A new standard to capture all the requirements of As Built	Accepted
CHL/13	29/11/2022	NR/L2/RMVP/0200	Rail Mounted Vehicle Plant	Approach to minimum exclusion zone for flailing works	information. Implement a risk-based approach to determining the minimum	Not Proceed
				1	exclusion zone for flailing works	

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CHL/14	30/11/2022	NR/L3/TRK/002	Group Track	Track Maintenance Handbook & Vegetation Clearance	A reference to NR/L2/RMVP/0200/P511 - Infrastructure Plant	Accepted
					Manual: Vegetation Management should be added to this document & the requirements harmonised between the two	
CHL/15	12/12/2022	NR/L2/OHS/00124	Health and Wellbeing	Hearing Test	documents. Variation for those with certain hearing aids & medical test	Accepted
CHL/16	16/12/2022	NR/L3/CIV/006	Buildings & Civils	Inspection of 3rd party land on either side of a structure	updated. Defects in 3rd part land should be sent to the landowner to	Not Proceed
CHL/17	20/12/2022	NR/L3/CIV/006	Buildings & Civils	Recommendations related to actions to deal with	resolve and not undertaken by the railway. Recommendations related to actions to deal with identified	Not Proceed
CHL/18	20/12/2022	NR/L3/INI/CP0036	Workforce Safety	identified problems Standard was written due to the introduction of new	problems should be removed from the standard. Delete or update standard	Accepted
CHL/19	16/01/2023	NR/L2/ELP/27224	Electrical	Legislation which is now well understood. Various Clauses	Clauses 7.3, 8.5 and 8.9	Accepted
CHL/20	24/01/2023	NR/L3/SIG/11231	Signalling	NR/SMTH/PART 04 - Part 04 [Issue 14]	Clarification as to whether all SMTH Test Plan steps are to be considered mandatory, unless specified otherwise. Rewrite of highlighted Test Plans.	Not Proceed
CHL/21	24/01/2023	NR/L3/SIG/11231	Signalling	NR/SMTH/Part 06 - (NR/L3/SIG/11231) Part 06 [Issue 5]	Clarification as to whether all SMTH Test Plan steps are to be considered mandatory, unless specified otherwise. Rewrite of highlighted Test Plans.	Not Proceed
CHL/22	24/01/2023	NR/L3/SIG/10663	Signalling	NR/SMS/PART/B - (NR/L3/SIG/10663) (Part B) Specified Tests Index [Issue 15]	Clarification as to whether all SMS Test steps are to be considered mandatory, unless specified otherwise. Rewrite of highlighted Test Plans to clarify ambiguous wording and unnecessary steps.	Not Proceed
CHL/23	30/01/2023	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Clause not output based. i.e. it sets limits on adjacent track vertical position to ensure the sixfoot ballast shoulder is self supporting.	The clause should be rewritten based on a known ballast shoulder slope that is self supporting. This would then take into account variances in sleeper (Eg47 versus G44) and ballast shoulder width (375mm versus 450mm)	Accepted
CHL/24	01/02/2023	NR/L2/RSE/100	Systems Engineering	The Product Acceptance Service Guidance Note 'How to decide what needs product acceptance' (currently at Issue 1.1)	The items listed in this guidance document and the applicability of NR/L2/RSE/100/05 is reconsidered.	Not Proceed
CHL/25	01/02/2023	NR/L3/ENV/305	Environment and Sustainability	Broken PEN conductors Guidance	Several amendments to Guidance	Not Proceed
CHL/26	16/02/2023	NR/GN/OTK/5000	Off Track	The specification for posts should be expanded to include requirements for steel posts.	Update specification to include steel posts as well as timber eg following product https://mcveighparker.com/clipex	Not Proceed
CHL/27	24/02/2023	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Cant deficiency and line speed improvements	Clause 8.5.8 Cant deficiency and line speed improvements should be revised and reissued.	Accepted
CHL/28	24/02/2023	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	"Legacy CWR" and "modern CWR"	'Definitions' term for "modern CWR" should be revised to clarify the design intent.	Accepted
CHL/29	27/02/2023	NR/L2/RSE/02009	Systems Engineering	Requirement for engineers to demonstrate DE01 competence (via Competence Quads) plus ongoing review.	Consultants own competency system is used to assess and record competency.	Not Proceed
CHL/30 CHL/31	27/02/2023	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Challenge against a previous issue of the standard.	Current issue addresses issues raised in the challenge.	Not Proceed
CHL/32 CHL/33	04/04/2023 25/04/2023	NR/L2/ELP/1007 NR/L2/SIG/11201	Electrical Signalling	Wording of the existing clauses New MCB-CCTV crossings lighting levels	DLR interface with the SCADA system Lower the 40 lux requirement in NR/L2/SIG/11201/Mod X23.	Accepted Not Proceed
CHL/34	04/05/2023	NR/L2/OHS/00124	Health and Wellbeing	Changing to the prescribed 38 plate edition from 24	Permitting use of 24 plate edition and stating the permitted	Accepted
CHL/35				plate edition. 13.4.10 is worded incorrectly.	number of failed plates proportionately. 13.4.10 should state 14 of 17 plates read correctly are a pass and 4 or more failed plates is a fail.	·
CHL/36	27/05/2023	NR/L3/SIG/11303	Signalling	Module 2P10 - Signalling Installation - Track Circuits: Rail Terminations [Issue 2]	Process missing the use of over-rail mounted drills & does not clearly define some key steps to mounting the moulded TC tail to the rail in an optimal way.	Accepted
CHL/37	31/05/2023	NR/L3/CIV/0063	Buildings & Civils	Section 12.2.2	Revert to the previous methods of designing Tower Cranes & managing lifting operations.	Accepted
CHL/38	27/06/2023	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Confusion between Mod B7 and F060 Appendix 3.	Amend Mod B7 3.7.1 text or clarify the specific, perhaps historic conditions when the Mod B7 text would override that in F060.	Accepted
CHL/39	14/07/2023	NR/L3/CIV/006	Buildings & Civils	,	Standard should be updated to ensure data is collected & presented in accordance with NR/L1/ADG/004 ISSUE 1 - Geospatial Referencing	Accepted
CHL/40	14/07/2023	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	Front page tile table on all forms A to H	Update to reflect the requirements of NR/L1/ADG/004 ISSUE	Accepted
CHL/41	14/07/2023	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	Sign off boxes	Should be included in the template for: Gauging Engineer & Fire Engineer, Station Security & Contingency Planning Specialist Station Pedestrian Capacity & Evacuation Review Town Planner (listed Structures)	Accepted
CHL/42	20/07/2023	NR/L2/CIV/035	Buildings & Civils	Title block	Updated to reflect the requirements of NR/L1/ADG/004 ISSUE 1 update the current requirement to provide OS grid ref	Accepted
CHL/43	20/07/2023	NR/L2/CIV/191	Buildings & Civils	Cover sheets templates	Updated to state what coordinate system is to be used as per NR/L1/ADG/004 ISSUE 1	Accepted
CHL/44	24/07/2023	NR/L2/ELP/40045	Electrical	Points heating standard drawings	Points heating standard drawings to be aligned to the current track drawings.	Accepted
CHL/45	04/08/2023	NR/L2/CIV/005	Buildings & Civils	Asset data for drainage systems	Inclusion of the requirement to include Geospatial position as part of the design output / As built drawings	Not Proceed
CHL/46	11/08/2023	NR/L2/ELP/27715	Electrical	Testing of voltage proving devices	A simple specification for test cages added to the document with desirable geographical distances between test cages.	Not Proceed
CHL/47	22/08/2023	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Clause 5.1.3: 'Sites that are not suitable are: a) stations;'.	Amend the clause to say where the station is out of sight of the crossing user	Not Proceed
CHL/48 CHL/49	05/09/2023 06/09/2023	NR/L2/RMVP/40069 NR/L2/SIG/11201	Rail Mounted Vehicle Plant Signalling	Issues related to global warming Assessment of infrastructure for climate change	Update to reflect issues from global warming Item added to the requirements in appendix A to review the	Accepted Not Proceed
CHL/50	13/09/2023	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	NR/L2/CIV/003/FormC	placing of signalling equipment areas of known flood risk Rename form to avoid duplication of terminology with	Not Proceed
CHL/51	14/09/2023	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Current wording states 'An entry will be made for ARS	Overhead Line Permit Form C RSSB Form RT3116 12-18 A definition of the three terms, 'opposing', 'parallel' and	Accepted
CHL/52	14/09/2023	NR/L2/CIV/003	Buildings & Civils	Sub-Area(s) required in manual to prevent opposing, parallel and adjoining routes. Wording in 13.2 Temporary works operations.	'adjoining' is required Wording to be changed to give more clarity to the intention behind view on what is defined by 'a' (singular in context) item	Accepted
CHL/53	14/09/2023	NR/L2/TRK/3011	Track	Stressing Rollers	of temporary works design. Standard references both traditional under roller/side arm	Accepted
CHL/54	22/09/2023	NR/L2/OHS/0047	Workforce Safety	Hazard Record Log	Interval requirements and Vortox Stressing Roller intervals A common Hazard Record/Log template is created by &	Not Proceed
					referenced in both NR/L2/RSE/100/02 and NR/L2/OHS/0047.	
CHL/55	22/09/2023	NR/L2/CIV/095	Mining and Tunnels	Repair and replacement of highway signs process	Creation of fast track process for 3rd party works which are safety critical	Not Proceed
CHL/56 CHL/57	03/10/2023	NR/L2/TRK/2102 NR/L2/CIV/140	Track Buildings & Civils	Quality and net zero carbon objectives. 240.001 and 240.004 and general update	Mention of carbon in a way that uses standards to reduce carbon throughout the design & construction process. The document is updated as currently it is silent with respect to	Accepted Accepted
CHL/58	16/10/2023	NR/L1/ELP/27000	Electrical	EP-53 - Tensioning Arrangements	within the OLCZ Clause to be changed from Amber to Green	Accepted
CHL/59	16/10/2023	NR/L2/CIV/140	Buildings & Civils	Out of Date document	Withdraw standard and use NR/GN/CIV/208 - Ground Investigation only	Accepted
CHL/60	16/10/2023	NR/L2/CIV/140	Buildings & Civils	Out of Date document	Withdraw standard and use NR/L2/OTK/5201 ISSUE 5 - Lineside Vegetation Management Manual only	Accepted
CHL/61	23/10/2023	NR/L2/TRK/6001	Track	Consideration of climate change and flood risk within problem statements	Section 8.3 list a) item 5 & appendix A "known problems" should be expanded to include flood risk to signalling assets affected by the planned renewal.as defined by NR/L1/SIG/50021/04 item 3.4	Accepted
CHL/62 CHL/63	26/10/2023 03/11/2023	NR/GN/OTK/5000 NR/L3/OPS/0064	Off Track ©perations Principles and Standards	Use of timber fence posts Definition of integrated work plan clause 4.1	Mandate the use of recycled plastic fence posts The duties as defined by the CDM regs are added to the Roles & Responsibilities RACI matrix in section 3.	Not Proceed Not Proceed
CHL/64	21/11/2023	BR 943	Signalling	Out of Date document	Section 6.6.2 and Section 6.6.4 are updated. A stakeholder review to identify and develop a modern standard that reflects current practice regarding the use of	Accepted
CHL/65	22/11/2023	NR/L3/TEL/30175	Telecommunications	RAMP Test	BR943 relays. The VIAVI approach is to test the circuit at CIR for the configured time and then IF ONLY IF the test fails will a RAMP	Accepted
CHL/66	30/11/2023	NR/L3/CIV/006	Buildings & Civils	Detailed Examination Requirements	test be performed The common requirements for all bridges should include the need to record differing depths of ballast at the ends of each span as a indicator to slow progressive settlement of the structure or uneven loading of the structure	Not Proceed
CHL/67	21/12/2023	BR 829	Signalling	Out of Date document	What is being proposed? A stakeholder review to develop a modern standard that reflects current practices and test methods.	Accepted
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CHL/69		NR/L2/OHS/019	Group Workforce Safety	Accountabilities and Responsibilities	Expand the clause to include that the PIC sentinel sponsor is to	Not Proceed
03	53,02,2024		ormoree Jurety		to provide Mobile information technology apparatus for use with planning system when staff are on or near the line.	Not Hoteet
CHL/70	20/02/2024	NR/L2/OHS/019	Workforce Safety	Responsibilities for planning and working in a possession	Default use of points operators within possessions	Not Proceed
CHL/71	21/02/2024	NR/L2/ELP/CTM015	Electrical	Medical restrictions for colour blindness	A separate module for reading drawings where blue, red and	Accepted
CHL/72	27/02/2024	NR/L2/SIG/19609	Signalling	Section updates not reflected in other standards	green are used to define the cable for scope of works. Confirm that the clauses from NR/L2/SIG/19609, 10.1.3 are still	Not Proceed
					valid & they will be updated in NR/L2/SIG/30009 F060 &/or RIS- 0703-CCS. Or they are confirmed as no longer being valid requirements & hence their omission in the current standards.	
CHL/73	04/03/2024	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Signal Route and Aspect 27B(M)	The example should include track 'BB' in the OCC column to reflect that the signal is restricted to a yellow aspect until this track is occupied.	Accepted
CHL/74	11/03/2024	NR/L3/TRK/003	Track	Clearances for Non structure apparatus stored lineside	Appendix 2 should be updated to include required clearances for scrap / stored rails and other apparatus such as tools which are left lineside	Accepted
CHL/75 CHL/76	14/03/2024	NR/L3/CIV/151	Buildings & Civils	Handrail	The handrail at the last step should protrude 300mm on the	Accepted
CHL/77	21/03/2024	NR/L3/TRK/003	Track	Use of undefined acronyms in declaration	horizontal The current numerous undefined acronyms in declaration are updated with full text or properly written defined acronyms	Accepted
CHL/78	28/03/2024	NR/L2/TEL/31107	Telecommunications	VL/VT testing	Either increase the sampling ratio to 100 kS/s for all scenarios, or clearly state that the 10 S/s can be used if the monitoring device has the capability to do the high sampling post-	Accepted
					processing internally	
CHL/79 CHL/80	28/03/2024 28/03/2024	NR/L2/ELP/27238 NR/L2/TEL/30084	Electrical Telecommunications	Insulation (2Mohm) and continuity tests of all strips. Redundant telephones on platforms	All the assets to now be monitored using RCM Remove telephones from stations.	Not Proceed Not Proceed
CHL/81	28/03/2024	NR/L2/TRK/3100	Track	References to the out-dated, Signalling Asset Survey Data Specification (GRD016)	References to the outdated GRD016 (Signalling Asset Survey Data Specification) to be removed.	Accepted
CHL/82	28/03/2024	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Relative position of adjacent tracks	Update the standard to include a diagram showing where the	Accepted
CHL/83	28/03/2024	NR/L2/OHS/00124	Health & Wellbeing	Inconsistency between 7.1 and 6.4 & 6.5.	measurement is taken. Notes added to show employees can meet level with	Not Proceed
					restrictions.	
CHL/84	23/04/2024	NR/L2/OHS/019	Workforce Safety	Line No 2 of 'Fenced site of work' states in the description column sub table that the netting distance of 0-40mph is 'at least 2m'.	This is incorrect and should read 1.25m as per the handbook 7 issue 8 page 11	Accepted
CHL/85	24/04/2024	NR/L2/SIG/30009	Signalling	Shunt unrestricted has been used with calling-on class	Change the entry to refer to the correct class of route, Shunt	Not Proceed
CHL/86	24/04/2024	NR/SP/ELP/27242	Electrical	route for a lot of the examples. Clause 9.3.2 states that any cable operating at a voltage	Occupied (SO). Amend in line with the requirements of NR/L2/SIG/19812. This	Accepted
				in excess of 110v shall be installed in under track crossings at a minimum depth of 1.2 metres below rail level. However, when reviewing the cable management standard (NR/L2/SIG/19812), table 3 states that mains cables for track category 3, 4, 5 & 6 should first be installed in hollow bearers.	would then prevent the requirement to apply for a derogation every time that a CAT 3, 4, 5 & 6 track requires a cable operating at a voltage in excess of 110v to be placed in a hollow bearer.	
CHL/87				installed in Hollow Bedrets.		
CHL/88 CHL/89	15/05/2024	NR/L2/TRK/001	Track	8.3 TEF3227 Report	Removing this review will allow more time for section managers	Accepted
CHL/69	13/03/2024	INVLZ/TRAVOOT	Huck		team to carry out other more justified maintenance works or	Accepted
CHL/90	16/05/2024	NR/L2/CIV/193	Buildings & Architecture	Reliability improvement for lifts in an external environment	A 2D infra-red safety edge curtain to the the full height of the car doors	Not Proceed
CHL/91	16/05/2024	NR/L2/CIV/193	Buildings & Architecture	Space restrictions or long step over point with a fixed wall mounted ladder and manual handling issues with a folding ladder fixed to the floor.		Not Proceed
CHL/92	16/05/2024	NR/L2/CIV/193	Buildings & Architecture	Removal of secondary alarm and flashing strobe	Advice of alarm through telecommunication. Utilisation of the	Not Proceed
				,	remote monitoring system to negate hard-wiring	
CHL/93	16/05/2024	NR/L2/RSE/0005	Systems Engineering	No Clear path or graduation for when NR have designed the product and defined standards that define the level of testing and control of the part.	Additional paths that cover NR developed and full defined production controlled sections. Suggested title "Proof of Manufacture to NR Design".	Accepted
CHL/94	20/05/2024	NR/L2/ELP/27716	Electrical	Sketch could introduce an element of uncertainty due to misalignment with BS EN 50119 (definition of HCW is defined i.e. as measured to datum point in standard but perpendicular to plane in BS EN 50119)	Minor revision to sketch	Accepted
CHL/95 CHL/96	29/05/2024	NR/L2/SIG/19812	Signalling	Clause 8.1, Clause 8.3 and Appendix B (Figure 3) is ambiguous	Clear and unambiguous text and correct cross referencing will reduce confusion, enhance understanding and avoid expensive	Accepted
CHL/97	04/06/2024	NR/L2/SIG/10160	Signalling	Clause 4.2.2	design errors in detailed track designs It is proposed to either:	Not Proceed
					- change this clause from amber to green - allow a review with the PRE (similar to those being appointed as Responsible Signal Engineer) - re-write this clause to allow other controls	
CHL/98	07/06/2024	NR/L3/SIG/11231	Signalling	Test Plan EL22 Replace a Howells LED SL35 Light Engine	Update SMTH/EL22 to include conversion of SL35 to Howells	Not Proceed
CHL/99	10/06/2024	NR/L2/CIV/191	Mining & Tunnels	Clause 2	Light Engine For temporary works and construction compounds, particularly those constructed 'off' railway land and those away from operational railway, then the requirements of CIV/191 are difficult to fully apply in the timescales that are available. Where the location of the proposed temporary works/construction compound is not covered already in a permanent works MRA, then align CIV/191 with the Form C requirements in CIV/003 issue 8 Clause 13.2.	Not Proceed
CHL/100	12/06/2024	NR/L3/CIV/020	Buildings & Civils	11 General Loading requirements	The bullet points for General Loading requirements as presented in section 11 should be updated to omit the generic listing for "maintenance activities" which should be added to with specific works which are foreseeable in the life of the structure	Not Proceed
CHL/101	20/06/2024	NR/L3/CTM/306 [Issue 3]	Competence & Training	Skills Assessment Scheme: Competence assurance process	For regime 2 and 3 to 5 amendment to expiration processes	Accepted
CHL/102	26/06/2024	NR/L2/CIV/1000	Buildings & Civils	Competence Management for Structures	Table 6 shows "the required frequency of practice to support maintenance of the competence". No guidance is provided for situations where Network Rail have not employed a individuals employer to undertaken the works & thus the required frequency of practice to support maintenance of the competence cannot be achieved.	Not Proceed
CHL/103	05/07/2024	NR/L3/TRK/3510	Track	Frequency to maintian and inspect and refill the	To extend the frequency on CAT 1A,1 & 2, from 56 days to 84	Accepted
CHL/104	1	i	I	lubrication asset.	days.	
•	08/07/2024	NR/L2/SIG/30081	Signalling	NR/L2/SIG/11201/Mod A3-3 Issue 3 Discrepancy between the two standards about axle	Given symbols '%' and '@' are generally used on scheme plans, would expect Mod A3-3 be updated to include these as part of	Accepted
CHL/105		NR/L2/SIG/30081 NR/L3/CIV/030	Signalling Buildings & Architecture	NR/L2/SIG/11201/Mod A3-3 Issue 3	Given symbols '%' and '@' are generally used on scheme plans, would expect Mod A3-3 be updated to include these as part of the scheme plan notes. Tactile surfaces are detectable to the visually impaired, the	Accepted Not Proceed
	11/07/2024	NR/L3/CIV/030	Buildings & Architecture	NR/L2/SIG/11201/Mod A3-3 Issue 3 Discrepancy between the two standards about axle counter 10m clearance and what the notes on scheme plan should include. Clause 4.3	Given symbols '%' and '@' are generally used on scheme plans, would expect Mod A3-3 be updated to include these as part of the scheme plan notes. Tactile surfaces are detectable to the visually impaired, the tactile profiles must be above 3mm to be detected. A change in colour or geometry at the 3mm threshold is required to alert maintenance that the tactile surface in unsafe.	Not Proceed
CHL/106	11/07/2024 22/07/2024	NR/L3/CIV/030 NR/L2/SIG/11201	Buildings & Architecture Signalling	NR/L2/SIG/11201/Mod A3-3 Issue 3 Discrepancy between the two standards about axle counter 10m clearance and what the notes on scheme plan should include. Clause 4.3 Number of requirements in Appendix H are also applicable to non SSI installations & so including them in Appendix H may mean the requirements/ guidance is not followed on non SSI schemes.	Given symbols '%' and '@' are generally used on scheme plans, would expect Mod A3-3 be updated to include these as part of the scheme plan notes. Tactile surfaces are detectable to the visually impaired, the tactile profiles must be above 3mm to be detected. A change in colour or geometry at the 3mm threshold is required to alert maintenance that the tactile surface in unsafe. Review Appendix H & move some content to Appendix A. (note there is an error in section H6, the text for columns 1 and 2 is transposed compared to the example table in Table H.6.1)	Not Proceed Accepted
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CHL/106 CHL/107	22/07/2024 22/07/2024 22/07/2024	NR/L3/CIV/030 NR/L2/SIG/11201 NR/L2/SIG/30014	Buildings & Architecture Signalling Signalling	NR/L2/SIG/11201/Mod A3-3 Issue 3 Discrepancy between the two standards about axle counter 10m clearance and what the notes on scheme plan should include. Clause 4.3 Number of requirements in Appendix H are also applicable to non SSI installations & so including them in Appendix H may mean the requirements/ guidance is not followed on non SSI schemes. 30014/A110 requires the timescales for issue of the closure list to be included in the design specification (see page 21, 2nd para). However the standard on signalling design specifications has no requirement. Add date photograph was taken Clause 6.1 currently requires the asset engineer to record in the corporate scour management database assets	Given symbols '%' and '@' are generally used on scheme plans, would expect Mod A3-3 be updated to include these as part of the scheme plan notes. Tactile surfaces are detectable to the visually impaired, the tactile profiles must be above 3mm to be detected. A change in colour or geometry at the 3mm threshold is required to alert maintenance that the tactile surface in unsafe. Review Appendix H & move some content to Appendix A. (note there is an error in section H6, the text for columns 1 and 2 is transposed compared to the example table in Table H.6.1) Remove the requirement for the Design Specification to include timescales for the issue of the closure list as this is stated in the test plan and should be determined by the testing organisation. Photographs are often reused in reports where no change to the defect. This can present a misleading view to report	Not Proceed Accepted Accepted
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CHL/112	20/08/2024	NR/L3/TRK/3402	Group Track	Requirement to U18 test all HRW	Removal of the requirement to U18 test all HRW. This was introduced in lieu of historical data at the point of product	Accepted
CHL/113	21/08/2024	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Requirement to provide 2 sleepers of the same material	approval. Needs to be clear that it is not only insulated fishplates which	Accepted
CHI (11)	22/09/202/	ND# 2/C/ (44 204	Cincelline	and depth on each side of an ordinary fishplated joint.	require 2 sleepers of the same material and depth on each side, and that ordinary fishplated joints also carry this requirement.	A
CHL/114	23/08/2024	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Appendix D D1.1	Appendix mandates depiction of controls to be followed when modifying existing control centres. This creates confusion when partial modifications will be carried out. Either change the text or RAG status of the Appendix D.	Accepted
CHL/115	29/08/2024	NR/L2/OHS/019	Workforce Safety	Clause 5.1.1 A Change in Person In Charge	Clause refers to the PIC & COSS always being the same individual. The wording to be amended to demonstrate that when there is 'suitable competence/experience/knowledge to delegate specific task risks' then this can be done so. Operational and Site can remain the same.	Not Proceed
CHL/116	11/09/2024	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Clause 12.1	Adjust Clause 12.1 so that it no longer makes reference to a minimum number of sleepers per length. Rather it should stipulate a minimum sleeper spacing that is required as part of the conversion. Clause 12.2 can remain with the minimum rail length required.	Not Proceed
CHL/117	25/09/2024	NR/L3/TRK/2049	Track	Discrepancy in the way highways level crossings are categorised from 1-3. IE: in 2049 the level crossing is categorised based on the number of vehicle crossings per day whereas TRK/4041 stipulates the category as being determined by the type of vehicle to use the crossing.	Both standards to be aligned in how level crossings are categorised and for TRK/2049 to reference the process of categorisation with regard to NR LX stakeholder engagement as per TRK/4041	Accepted
CHL/118	09/10/2024	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Phrasing of the standard is ambiguous which makes abiding by it difficult. The way the overlap is defined is unclear. Reason given behind the clause is out of date.	1) 'changes in horizontal alignment should not overlap with changes in vertical alignment', should be rephrased as 'horizontal transition elements or horizontal virtual transitions should not overlap with vertical curves'. 2) 'this is to aid with setting out and the implementation of tamping designs', should be rephrased as 'this is related to passenger comfort'. Clause should be expanded to state when an overlap is present the Rate of change of cant & deficiency for the horizontal transition & the change in %g for the vertical curve should be in line with maximum values stated in TRK/2102 & TRK/2049.	Accepted
CHL/119	09/10/2024	NR/L2/TRK/2102	Track	Contradiction between clause 8.5.7 & 8.5.10.	Clause 8.5.7 & 8.5.10 are better aligned to remove the contradiction. Clause 8.5.10 to state that cant deficiency & rate of change of cant deficiency are to adhere to the limits of Table 12 & Table 13 in clause 8.5.7. However if there is a specific reason why the cant deficiency must be limited to 55/75mm above cant for line speed improvement schemes, the reason be explained more clearly.	Not Proceed
CHL/120 CHL/121	18/10/2024	NR/L2/MTC/089	Maintenance	AMP deliverables to include a EMC DoC as a deliverable.	Addition of EMC DoC to Form 8.	Not Proceed
CHL/122	23/10/2024	NR/L2/SIG/11201	Signalling	Missing description relating to Buffer stop example symbol (d)	Include the appropriate description for the symbol.	Accepted
CHL/123	24/10/2024	NR/L3/TRK/7013	Track	Table 6, Inspection frequencies	Table 6 is amended in line with TRK/001 Module 4 Clause 11.2 that only requires follow up inspections for clamped joints.	Not Proceed
CHL/124	24/10/2024	NR/SP/ELP/21014	Electrical	Very Low Frequency (VLF) testing of High Voltage XLPE cables instead of DC testing.	A Technical (TI) or Special Change (LI) to clarify that VLF testing should be carried out instead of DC testing as this can shorten the life span of the cables.	Accepted
CHL/125	25/10/2024	NR/L3/TRK/1020 - Track Hand Back for Projects: Confirming track is safe for opening at the selected line speed after	Track	Table 7	The Authority level required for Activity 3 is not consistent with the levels shown on the Certificate of Competence TEF3306. Clarification as to whether it is required to hold Authority Level	Accepted
CHL/126	31/10/2024	projects engineering work [Issue 1] NR/L2/RSE/100 - Network Rail Assurance Panel Processes [Issue 8]	Systems Engineering	Reference to 'National Supply Chain' which no longer exists. Clause refers to PE-MS-005 which is incorrect. The reference should be to NR/L3/SCO/311/04	1 or Level 2-4 for this activity Amend to 'Route Services'. Amend the wording to the following Clause.	Accepted
CHL/127	08/11/2024	NR/L2/SIG/14201 - Signalling Risk Assessment Handbook [Issue 5]	Signalling	The SORAT programme.	Propose amending the programme to focus on risk based reassessment rather than time based .	Not Proceed
CHL/128	11/11/2024	NR/L2/RSE/02009 - Engineering Management for Projects [Issue 8]	Systems Engineering	Standard mandates using a specific form, not an electronic version or supplier created equivalent. F0042 needs to be used, where an electronic capture and display option would reduce duplication but still offer the assurance.	Propose electronic versions equivalent to F0042 are acceptable.	Accepted
CHL/129	11/11/2024	NR/L2/RSE/02009 - Engineering Management for Projects [Issue 8]	Systems Engineering	Standard mandated form (F0039,F0040)	Allow the use of a contractor produced form as they have already done the same checks before proposing the individual, then NR can review and countersign to accept saving the need to copy data to the NR forms	Accepted
CHL/130	18/11/2024	NR/L3/CIV/151 - Application of Standard Designs and Details for Building and Civil Engineering Works [Issue 8]	Buildings & Civils	6.4.3 (Secondary Containment) 6.2 Fuse Connection- Form 6.3 Fuse Load Factors Clause 5.2-Use of Packing Shims 6.4.1 & 6.4.4-Enabling Safer Inspections Section 8- Repair/Maintenance	Various changes proposed. See Challenge for full list.	Accepted
CHL/131	18/11/2024	NR/L3/CIV/006 - Structures, Tunnels and Operational Property Examinations Manual [Issue 12]	Buildings & Civils	CPBs. Particular points of concerns are: -Beam -bracket bolted connections -Grouted anchors -Beam (Where designed as a fuse as per BD65/97 & BD65/14).	Examination Requirements for bridges with CPBs should be reflected in NR/L3/CIV/006/1A, NR/L3/CIV/006/1B and NR/L3/CIV/006/2D- Section 7 NR/L3/CIV/076/02 (As a requirement of Rapid Response Exams-	Accepted
CIII (422	40/44/2027	ND#255544204 5: ## D	Circ. III		CPB primary connections and any 'Structural Fuse' requires at least a visual examination)	
CHL/132	19/11/2024	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	Confusion around documentation under FED.	Clarification in alignment with Testing and Design Standards, the exact copies required for site to avoid any deviations between different Routes.	Accepted
CHL/133	20/11/2024	NR/L2/RMVP/27035 - Depot Protection Systems [Issue 2]	Rail Mounted Vehicle Plant	Entire depot protection system has to be brought up to compliance with the latest version of standard if any change is made.	Reword the scope so that only the changes made to the system need to comply with the current requirements of the standard. Also review some of the language used for example 'fitted for new'.	In Progress
CHL/134	22/11/2024	NR/L2/ELP/40068 - Principal Supply Point (DNO + DG) Specification [Issue 1]	Electrical	The autonomy time of 10mins is excessive and drives additional capital and operational costs for batteries and battery enclosures/rooms.	Reduction in autonomy figure either to a project specific value to be determined on a site by site basis considering the whole system, e.g. the supply and the operational load. Alternatively a revised figure of 5mins.	Accepted
CHL/135	04/12/2024	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design	Signalling	Form A' is a RED clause.	Design Remit Form A' should be removed from the red clause and made amber or green. This allows for proposed alternative	Accepted
		Handbook [Issue 20]			forms to be produced.	
CHL/136	05/12/2024	Handbook [Issue 20] NR/L2/TRK/3204 - Gauging Management [Issue 1]	Track	The use of manually propelled track trollies with rotary laser profilers together with bespoke software to be used for gauging structures and platforms.		Not Proceed
CHL/136	05/12/2024	NR/L2/TRK/3204 - Gauging Management	Track	laser profilers together with bespoke software to be used	forms to be produced. That the list of survey methods be expanded to include the use	Not Proceed Accepted
		NR/L2/TRK/3204 - Gauging Management [Issue 1] NR/L3/TRK/3510 - Rail Friction		laser profilers together with bespoke software to be used for gauging structures and platforms.	forms to be produced. That the list of survey methods be expanded to include the use of approved track measuring devices (TMDs). Allow lubrication inspection frequencies to be set by risk, assessing the assets based on usage, maintenance history and reservoir capacity. The inspection frequencies can be pushed out from 56 or 91 to a maximum of 182 days when the	
CHL/137	09/12/2024	NR/L2/TRK/3204 - Gauging Management [Issue 1] NR/L3/TRK/3510 - Rail Friction Management [Issue 3] NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design	Track	laser profilers together with bespoke software to be used for gauging structures and platforms. Initial and final inspection frequencies.	forms to be produced. That the list of survey methods be expanded to include the use of approved track measuring devices (TMDs). Allow lubrication inspection frequencies to be set by risk, assessing the assets based on usage, maintenance history and reservoir capacity. The inspection frequencies can be pushed out from 56 or 91 to a maximum of 182 days when the evidence supports a longer inspection frequency. Clause be amended/updated to remove the requirement of 'SIL1 safety related' for the auto lower strike-in function. Or alternatively clear rationale is provided to demonstrate that the function is required to be safety related and at least SIL1. Clause should be amended/updated to be more generic, specifying the objective of ensuring down detection integrity, reflecting the fact that there are multiple methods of achieving	Accepted
CHL/137 CHL/138	09/12/2024	NR/L2/TRK/3204 - Gauging Management [Issue 1] NR/L3/TRK/3510 - Rail Friction Management [Issue 3] NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20] NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Track	laser profilers together with bespoke software to be used for gauging structures and platforms. Initial and final inspection frequencies. Clause 10.1.2.	forms to be produced. That the list of survey methods be expanded to include the use of approved track measuring devices (TMDs). Allow lubrication inspection frequencies to be set by risk, assessing the assets based on usage, maintenance history and reservoir capacity. The inspection frequencies can be pushed out from 56 or 91 to a maximum of 182 days when the evidence supports a longer inspection frequency. Clause be amended/updated to remove the requirement of 'SIL1 safety related' for the auto lower strike-in function. Or alternatively clear rationale is provided to demonstrate that the function is required to be safety related and at least SIL1. Clause should be amended/updated to be more generic, specifying the objective of ensuring down detection integrity,	Accepted Accepted
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CHL/137 CHL/138 CHL/139 CHL/140	09/12/2024 09/12/2024 09/12/2024 10/12/2024	NR/L2/TRK/3204 - Gauging Management [Issue 1] NR/L3/TRK/3510 - Rail Friction Management [Issue 3] NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20] NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20] NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14] NR/L2/RMVP/0200 - Infrastructure Plant	Track Signalling Signalling Track	laser profilers together with bespoke software to be used for gauging structures and platforms. Initial and final inspection frequencies. Clause 10.1.2. Clause 21.5.1 - ASM design. Current definition of a green clause.	forms to be produced. That the list of survey methods be expanded to include the use of approved track measuring devices (TMDs). Allow lubrication inspection frequencies to be set by risk, assessing the assets based on usage, maintenance history and reservoir capacity. The inspection frequencies can be pushed out from 56 or 91 to a maximum of 182 days when the evidence supports a longer inspection frequency. Clause be amended/updated to remove the requirement of 'SIL1 safety related' for the auto lower strike-in function. Or alternatively clear rationale is provided to demonstrate that the function is required to be safety related and at least SIL1. Clause should be amended/updated to be more generic, specifying the objective of ensuring down detection integrity, reflecting the fact that there are multiple methods of achieving this. Update to the definition of green guidance. An extension to the implementation of this clause to enable	Accepted Accepted Accepted Not Proceed

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CHL/144	17/12/2024	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	Nature of the requirements for an equipment table on TSR and ESR designs.	Some flexibility in the requirements for and equipment list that would allow TSR and ESR designs to be relevant to a client's requirements. The layout provides the running order, intent and mileages, so it should be unnecessary to repeat this in the	Not Proceed
CHL/145	17/12/2024	NR/L3/CIV/020 - Design of Bridges [Issue 1]	Buildings & Civils	Contradiction this standard and TRK/2102 re minimum ballast depth.	equipment list. 1) Update CIV/020 to align with minimum ballast depths required in TRK/2102; OR 2) Update TRK/2102 to quote minimum ballast depth required by CIV/020 at new underline structures.	Accepted
CHL/146	19/12/2024	NR/L2/OHS/003 - Fatigue Risk Management [Issue 9]	Workforce Safety	Use of a calculator as part of fatigue management.	Allow contractors to maintain their own RISQS approved methodology as per the guidance issued by the ORR - the calculator is neither specific to rail nor the individual nature of contractor works (all jobs are different levels of risk, which by law the employer MUST be assessing anyway (this is identified in the new ORR guidance too)	Not Proceed
CHL/147	27/12/2024		Rail Mounted Vehicle Plant	Clause Numbering	Minor improvement to clause numbering, clause 4.1 has two sets of clauses both with similar identities	Not Proceed
CHL/148	27/12/2024	Manual [Issue 13] NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	Unnecessary complexity	Refers to a standard that is not available for general access and the value in question therefrom (3925mm) as quoted is not relevant to standard NR infrastructure. Also, EHQ/ST/O/003 & NR/L2/ELP/2721 could be superseded or merged (as appropriate) into 21088 mod 06.	Not Proceed
CHL/149	03/01/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2500 - Engineering Assurance Arrangements for the Design and Construction of Track [Issue 4]	Track	Acceptance of single option at end of ES3.	NR/L2/TRK/2500 be updated to include a mandatory requirement for Regional Engineer acceptance of the selected option at ES3 and an associated Track Engineer Form (TEF) to record the acceptance.	Accepted
CHL/150	06/01/2025	NR/L2/OTK/5100 - Boundary Measure Management Manual [Issue 5]	Off Track	Alternative approach - improvement of design by providing an environmentally friendly and reduced manual handling weight option to the current standard concrete foundation.	A hydrophobic polyurethane foam, to be identified as an alternative option to the standard postmix concrete that is currently identified.	Not Proceed
CHL/151	07/01/2025	NR/L2/OHS/020 - Track Visitor Permits (formerly RT/LS/S/020) [Issue 5]	Workforce Safety	Section 8c) and Section 8b) - live conductor rails.	Section 8c) Minor work in Red Zones states "here shall be no live conductor rails at the site of work;" There may be scenarios within Section 8b) Specialist or Minor work in Green Zones where there is a live DC Floater present within a green zone. Section 8b should additionally state that no work should take	Accepted
					place in and around the live DC Floater where staff are undertaking an activity.	
CHL/152	08/01/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	Magnetic field limit of 360uT	Clarify that the 360uT shall be used only in areas where general public has access to. In all other areas, where only occupational exposure is expected the 1000 uT limit (from the RSSB document) should be used.	Accepted
CHL/153	10/01/2025	NR/L3/ELP/27720 - Test Before Touch for Overhead Line Equipment [Issue 1]	Electrical	Change of Method (2) requested (to Method 4) on planned works without consultation with supplier.	Method 4 should either be removed or made more robust and stipulate that it is only to be used in emergencies or if anything has changed on the shift and not for planned work.	In Progress
CHL/154	14/01/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	Guidance for designers regarding the provision of dark mode control circuits.	Standard to include guidance as follows: For level crossings with continuous train detection conditions b) and c) are appropriate ie. controls require b) or c). For level crossings without continuous train detection conditions a) and b) are appropriate ie. controls require a) or b).	Accepted
CHL/155	17/01/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10663 - Signal Maintenance Specifications [Issue 18]	Signalling	Red Clause - Gearbox must be replaced following run through before the HPSA is returned to service.	Consideration is made for trailing points, provided some criteria are met relating to management of related defects, to allow for a time bound return to service ahead of gear box replacement	Accepted
CHL/156	29/01/2025	NR/L2/RSE/02009 - Engineering Management for Projects [Issue 8]	Systems Engineering	NR Specific forms.	The use of NR Specific forms means duplicating a Contractor form that has the same info as the NR forms. Use the best form for the job from either organisation, with NR countersigning for acceptance if the Contractor Forms are used	Accepted
CHL/157	04/02/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Definition of the Principle of Virtual Transition.	The definition makes reference to "angular velocity". This parameter is not used in Track Design and has no relevance for the variation of the lateral acceleration (and hence of the cant deficiency) around the point of spot curvature change. The definition is misleading and geometrically incorrect. Replacement of this rule with EN norm equivalent.	Accepted
CHL/158	04/02/2025	NR/GN/CIV/200 - Station Design Manual [Issue 10]	Buildings & Architecture	Guidance contradicts with the requirements of the Persons of Reduced Mobility National Technical Specification Notice (PRM NTSN (2021)).	Grid sizes are mandated by BS EN 12464, not 'recommended' as stated, and the guidance should include that 'if the ratio of the longer to the shorter side is 2 or more then becomes the shorter dimension of the area as stated in BS EN 12464 parts 1 and 2. The implications of this are significant as for a 100 m long platform (4 m wide), then the grid size would be 5 m incorrectly using d = 100 m instead of the maximum grid size being 0.4 m using d = 4 m. The final paragraph of 6.2.3 states: For platforms, it is recommended that illuminance measurements should be taken using a 1.0 m x 1.0 m grid across a platform and along its length. This is contradictory to the earlier NR guidance on grid sizes and is non-compliant with the requirements of the PRM NTSN as the platform width would be required to be at least 10 m wide for a 1.0 m grid size.	Accepted
CHL/159	04/02/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Math rules introduced in 2015 from the old handbook No 3, referring to how to manage short segments of elements between curves.	Removal of the entire section of the standard that was copied from Handbook No 3 and were not present in the previous version of TRK2049 - issue 12 - June 2010.	Accepted
CHL/160 CHL/161	04/02/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 12] NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook	Track Track	Section 5.11 Switches and crossings The Tables that define the Standard Circular Curve	Cant deficiency. Removal of Note 4. Reconsider limits and align with international practice.	Accepted Accepted
CHL/162	05/02/2025	[Issue 14] NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 12]	Track	turnouts. Virtual Transition.	The standard should make a clear difference between the alignment element where the curvature changes - the spot radius change - and the calculation method.	Accepted
CHL/163	06/02/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Switches - Effective Radius	Remove the section Switches - Effective Radius from the standard. Remove any reference to calculating a "theoretical cant deficiency" using this method.	Accepted
CHL/164	10/02/2025	NR/L3/TRK/1300 - Re-profiling and Grinding of Running Rails, including Switches and Crossings [Issue 1]	Track	Switches & Crossings have been included in this clause.	Removal of the text "Switches and Crossings" from the clause	More Information Required
CHL/165	13/02/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10064 - General Instructions to Staff Working on S&T Equipment [Issue 12]	Signalling	Document requires that structures have to be multiple colours as per section 5.3 but can be a single colour for Newly galvanised surfaces clause 5.5	Reduction in the number of colours which will simplify the painting process to omit black foundation bases, handrails, railings, safety hoops and brackets see clause 5.3 item c Signal structures should be painted in one colour, this is already permitted under clause 5.5 for newly galvanised surfaces	Not Proceed
CHL/166	13/02/2025	NR/L2/OHS/022 - Working Safely at Height [Issue 2]	Workforce Safety	Use of harnesses in scissor lifts	IPAF (International Powered Access Federation) and other industry standards, advocate for risk-based assessments rather than blanket requirements. A revised risk based approach could enhance both safety and operational efficiency.	Not Proceed
CHL/167	13/02/2025	NR/L2/SIG/30014 - Signal Works Testing Handbook [Issue 23]	Signalling	Naming convention used for the axle counter strike-in & Strike-out detection units.	D120/TS14-42 (Typical two track Schweizer Electronic Vamos System) is amended to suit the typical layout design presented by the typical Vamos template, used in the SOD design.	Accepted
CHL/168	13/02/2025	NR/L2/XNG/30020 - Level Crossings Design Handbook [Issue 4]	Ū	This document is now being produced by Designers/ Project delivery teams outside of NR. As such the producer, and audience (Reviewers etc.) has changed.	G22/F01 and G22/F02 reviewed and amended considering the changes in the documents use.	Accepted
CHL/169	13/02/2025	NR/L2/XNG/30020 - Level Crossings Design Handbook [Issue 4]	Level Crossings	Standards (30020/R03 & 11201_X40) are in direct conflict with each other. R03 states - "Where MSLs are provided on the approach side then the decision point from which the MSL is visible to users before they decide to pass it" X40 states - "When positioned on the approach side of the crossing, the position of the MSL visual indicator is the decision point".	The standards are reviewed, and a consistent approach should be agreed with the correct document being amended to suit.	Accepted

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CHL/170	18/02/2025	NR/L3/SCO/311 - Supply Chain Operations, T&RS and OTM Engineering and Management Manual [Issue 5]	Group Supply Chain Operations	Clause 6 prescribes "The Asset Engineer shall establish and regularly review and update a risk record covering all risks associated with the fleets Operation and Maintenance".	This is unachievable. The ownership of risk identification, risk management and risk mitigation needs to be more intelligently thought through, allocated and applied between the business, engineering and production services community and assigned to posts that hold the relevant competence and authority changing the organisation structure as and where may be necessary.	In Progress
CHL/171	20/02/2025	NR/L2/SIG/30009 - Signalling Principles Handbook [Issue 29]	Signalling	Platform OFF indicator. Banner Repeaters	Prove the Main Signal alight in the OFF indicator controls. Prove the Banner controlling relay energised in the signal OFF indication, where the Banner is associated with a Main Signal.	Not Proceed
CHL/172	21/02/2025	NR/L2/SIG/30009 - Signalling Principles Handbook [Issue 29]	Signalling	Standard is ambiguous about what point controls should be used to condition out overlap track clear tests.	An update to the principle is required to clarify the controls required. The result could affect other standards (especially SSI).	Accepted
CHL/173	21/02/2025	NR/L2/CIV/003 - Engineering and Architectural Assurance of Building and Civil Engineering Works [Issue 8]	Buildings & Civils	There is ambiguity about the use of the simplified Technical Approval process (aka Form H) for simple design submissions.	DCCO defines a simple design to be submitted under a Form H, but the use of a Form H for such designs is then heavily caveated in various other parts of the standard in terms of other risks or permissions that may apply. This is particularly so for DCCO temporary works designs. The wording in the standard should be amended to provide a consistent thread for DCCO submissions, to explain that the use of the Form H is to manage the assurance of simple designs where there is a risk to the operational railway.	Accepted
CHL/174	03/03/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	Clause 9.2	Proposal to amend a 'red' clause to be 'amber'	Accepted
CHL/175 CHL/176	05/03/2025	NR/L2/RMVP/0200 - Infrastructure Plant Manual [Issue 15]	Rail Mounted Vehicle & Plant	5.2 Placing Road Rail Access Points	Clarity on why rail joints are permitted in sidings under risk assessment, but aluminothermic welds are not, given that welds are typically stronger than rail joints?	Not Proceed
CHL/177	10/03/2025	Form RT3199 - Work-site Certificate [Issue Dec-20]	Operations Principles and Standards	THE REMOVAL OF THE SENTENCE "a separate certificate must be completed for each affected by the work" FROM THE RT3199 FORM	AS HB12 DOES NOT STIPULATE THAT A SEPERATE CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH LINE IN THE WORKSITE, THE SENTENCE NEEDS TO BE REMOVED FROM RT3199.	In Progress
CHL/178	11/03/2025	NR/L3/SCO/311 - Supply Chain Operations, T&RS and OTM Engineering and Management Manual [Issue 5]	Supply Chain Operations (SCO)	Clause 4.3	Rail vehicle engineering, knowledge and fleet experience should be available as an alternative means to determine the review frequency without the introduction of a risk assessment that	In Progress
CHL/179	13/03/2025	NR/L2/OHS/00130 - Creating a Site of Work Segregated from the Railway [Issue 3]	Workforce Safety	'General' (2 Scope, 4 Definitions, 6 Applicability / Figure 1 Decision Tree)	carries little or no material value. Section - 2 Scope - The Manual applies, clause b) change to: b) all works where Network Rail is the promoter or client under CDM. Section 4 definitions, add: Definition for "Promoter & CDM Client": Promoter = The organisation the finances the project. CDM Client = The organisations for whom a construction project is carried out. Add to NRMI definition: NRMI (add to existing) = Franchised (Train Operator Company) controlled train stations platforms shall be considered NRMI when Network Rail is the Promoter or Client. Section 6 Applicability - add Note at bottom of paragraph.	Accepted
CHL/180 CHL/181		NR/L2/OHS/020 - Track Visitor Permits (formerly RT/LS/S/020) [Issue 5] NR/L2/RSE/02009 - Engineering	Workforce Safety Systems Engineering	Applying for a TVP via the NCCA website Aligning the the use of Technical Queries and Requests	Update to reference the new process for obtaining a TVP NR/L2/RSE/02009 is not aliqued with NEC 3 or 4 contracts	Accepted Not Proceed
		Management for Projects [Issue 8]		for Information with NEC 3/4 contracts.	which are now the main type of contract utilised on Network Rail projects.	
CHL/182	25/03/2025	NR/L2/RSE/100 - Network Rail Assurance Panel Processes [Issue 9]	Systems Engineering	Reviewing above the standards it is implicit that projects that do not make changes to railway system compatibility, operation or maintenance are not required to make an NRAP application, no not require SRP review and sit outside of the CSM regulations.	Better definition of 'change' as 'Any modification(s) to the railway system functionality or compatibility following temporary or permanent EiS.' Clarification that 'Manging, maintaining and integrating with existing system interfaces is not a system change.'	Not Proceed
CHL/183	27/03/2025	NR/L2/TEL/30185 - Principles for Operational Telecommunications, Signalling and E&P Sub-Access Internet Protocol Networks [Issue 1]	Telecommunications	Clauses 12d, 12e and 12f make reference to a NRT (now DDaT) central system for the remote management of devices. Currently, this central system is not available as an offering from DDaT.	The requirement to manage devices on the DDaT network is the correct approach and should be implemented however, as the central management system is not currently in place and it is currently when this will be introduced, we do not believe it reasonable to have a mandated clause that cannot be complied with.	In Progress
CHL/184	31/03/2025	NR/L2/OHS/00120 - Drugs and Alcohol Standard [Issue 8]	Health and Wellbeing	Issue 8 introduces sweeping restrictions on medications by redefining "legitimate medical reason" to exclude all unlicensed treatments or medications.	A retraction & thorough review - incorporating subject matter experts, medical, legal, and employee insights.	Not Proceed - Decision Appealed
CHL/185	31/03/2025	NR/L2/OH5/00120 - Drugs and Alcohol Standard [Issue 8]	Health and Wellbeing	Conflict with the Equality Act (2010) arising from the "legitimate medical reason" definition and blanket bans described within the standard, as well as planned suspensions from duty with predicable non-negative test results where impairment has already been assessed and the more general poor wording with unclear means of monitoring for compliance.	The update is withdrawn, redrafted with the support of suitable subject matter experts to reduce the risk of discrimination, smooth non-negative test result management with clear English clauses and controls.	Not Proceed - Decision Appealed
CHL/186		of Track [Issue 13]		Provision of a Track Engineering Form (TEF)	To provide a TEF for the assessment of sites for guard rails	Accepted
CHL/187	02/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Remove or modify the amber and green clauses related to the modelling of curvature and cant (Vehicle track interaction modelling software)	Replace with guidance for cant / deficiency ratios and for the selection of premium grade rails.	Accepted
CHL/188	02/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Challenge in line with MVP	Remove the requirements of this section for horizontal alignment requirements for new construction or change from amber to green clauses.	Accepted
CHL/189	02/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]		Challenge in line with PACE	Change the definition of new construction to "construction of a new railway where no railway has previously existed. The provision of additional track(s) alongside an existing railway shall not be considered as new construction. The reinstatement of track(s) on a previously abandoned or mothballed formation shall not be considered as new construction". Current definition also includes the term abandoned formation. When reinstating track(s) on a mothballed route, it may not be possible or reasonable to comply with some of the new requirements of section 7.2 and the stiffness of the track system (section 7.7) which are more onerous than the requirements for renewals.	Accepted
CHL/190	02/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Relaxation of requirements in line with SPEED principles.	Relax the 60mph maximum speed for jointed rails less than 60ft.	Accepted
CHL/191	02/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Recent changes to the rule book allow for the provision of 'A boards' where there are permissible speed changes.	As a consequence, the infrastructure in front of the speed board may be subjected to higher speeds than currently designed and signed for and the attainable speed in front of the speed board may be higher than at present. Requirements and / or guidance are required for how this is managed in inspection, maintenance and design in order to realise these performance opportunities. Alternatively/in addition we could try can prove that the increased is attainable speed is negligible in terms of its effect on infrastructure and therefore no changes to inspection or design requirements are required however, this is likely to be untrue the longer the train is.	Accepted
CHL/192	02/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Simplify the process for converting from mph to kph associated with ETCS introduction	Update 2102 and revise / derogate against 5021 and the NTSN INF to say that even an exceedance of the geometry limits or limits on components occurs as a result of the conversion, that this is acceptable.	Accepted
CHL/193	10/04/2025	Designs and Details for Building and Civil	Buildings & Civils	SSD section A-A shows excavation sides to use slopes / benching which allows for a gradual change in track bed	Create a new SSD section which shows straight excavation of UTX (no benching / sloped sides).	Accepted
CHL/194	17/04/2025	Engineering Works [Issue 8] NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Stiffness to reduce hard spots. The requirement to extend premium grade rail in compound curves which are showing no wear of RCF by Track Ex	Premium grade rail would not be required on curves with a radius greater than 2500m and which are not showing side wear or RCF where the vehicle track interaction modelling software shows it is not required. Normal grade 260 R to be used.	Accepted
CHL/195	17/04/2025	NR/L3/SIG/11303 - Signalling Installation (Formerly RT/E/S/11303) [Issue 9]	Signalling	Bead labelling is not easily compatible with the complex nature of more modern equipment terminals.	The inclusion within the standard to allow the use of the alternative methods for the labelling of wiring, including for example self adhesive wire wrap or heat shrink printed labels, however other potentially suitable methods and products exist.	Accepted

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CHL/196	23/04/2025	NR/L1/TEL/30102 - Network Rail Asset Management Policy - Telecommunications Engineering [Issue 2]	Telecommunications	Renewals shall provide a centrally monitored lineside telephone solution.	Change to standard requirement to "optional"	In Progress
CHL/197	23/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/053 - Inspection and Repair to Control the Risk of Derailment at Switches [Issue 10]	Track	Clause 4.12 for a gauge 2 failure within 40mm of switch toe - states MAC 9F - immediate ban to facing moves and weld repair switch TEF3029 for this failure - states MAC 9F - immediate ban to facing moves, weld repair within seven days NR/L2/TRK/001 Module 7 has the list of all MACs - 9F does not exist	Clause 4.12 is correct TEF 3029 - amend wording, removing 'within seven days' TRK/001 Mod 07 - add MAC 9F to table of MAC codes	Accepted
CHL/198	28/04/2025	NR/L2/SIG/30009 - Signalling Principles Handbook [Issue 29]	Signalling	Clause 8.2.1.2.2: Where ARFR is provided then it shall be applied following successful reset of the section, is not considered suitable (on safety grounds) for relay logic based applications.	Once a section has been selected for reset and successfully confirmed, aspect restriction is to be applied. Only then, with both these former conditions proved, a conditional reset pulse is sent to the FAdC. This is considered a safer design for relay based logic, as unlike the well developed and applied CBI data based logic, the potential failure modes of relay circuits can have significant differences (e.g. high resistance contact or a wire disconnected) that must be taken into consideration. Strictly following this clause in the standard could result in a successful reset (TR picks) and aspect restriction not subsequently being applied (potentially allowing the protecting signal to clear for a sweep train).	Accepted
CHL/199	28/04/2025	NR/L2/SIG/30009 - Signalling Principles Handbook [Issue 29]	Signalling	Clause 9.2, para 5 b). "The interlocking shall reject a request to apply EPR to a section unless the following pre	Specifically, the challenge relates to the proving of routes normal reading "out of the section".	Accepted
		,		requisites are met: a) the section does not already have an EPR applied; b) all routes into and out of the section are normal;	Removal of the apparent conflict in requirements between SSIDIS-112 and K210 and consistency of application design across the Network for both relay and computer based interlockings.	
CHL/200	29/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Re-evaluate the way we calculate the rate of change of cant deficiency.	Impose a limit of 25 - 30mm cant deficiency below which the RCD should not be calculated. Consider the impact of the transition shift in track design.	Accepted
CHL/201	29/04/2025	NR/GN/CIV/300 - Compliance Design Manual [Issue 8]	Buildings & Architecture	General on Telecoms system including Section 8.2.3, Section Section 8.6. Module contains incorrect	Amend all incorrect information related to telecoms.	In Progress
CHL/202	30/04/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	statements. Module 3 does not contain details of the latest S&C designs available. Similarly module 4 does not detail all the latest sleeper	Most of the details within module 03 already exists on RE/PE drawings. Use RE/PW drawings to communicate these details rather the company standard.	In Progress
CHL/203	30/04/2025		Track	types etc. Table 2 out of date.	Remove table 2 as the majority of this information is detailed	In Progress
CHL/204	30/04/2025	[Issue 14] NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Table 1 out of date.	on RE/PW's and the selection of Points Operating Equipment is governed by NR/L2/SIG/19809. Remove table 1. NR/L2/TRK/2102 details the requirements for which suite of S&C and S&C type to use along with guidance in	In Progress
					NR/CB/TRK/058. NR/L2/TRK/2500 issue 4 removed the terms 'preferred', 'non-preferred,' 'withdrawn,' and 'obsolete' S&C within the checking and acceptance criteria with the intention to allow greater flexibility to designers to select the most appropriate geometry for each particular location and encourages the use of standard RE/PW designs (as does NR/L2/TRK/2102)	
CHL/205	30/04/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	To ensure consistency and best practice in the construction of ballast ramps.	To provide a set of standard details for the construction of ballast ramps and a hierarchy of preferences and supporting	Accepted
CHL/206		· ·	Relax the requirements for 'modelling of operational capacity'	guidance Add additional clause to section 7.4: 'Modelling of operational capacity shall not be required if it can be demonstrated that: a) the same services (i.e. same train type, class, consist and loading) using the proposed alignment already operate over similar curvature with similar gradients; or	Accepted	
				b) modelling of other locations using trains of similar characteristics, similar curves with similar gradients has already demonstrated that such an alignment already achieves compliance with section 7.4. Should there be any existing mitigations, prohibitions or restrictions on the existing alignment due to similar curvature and gradients with the proposed alignment, then these shall apply to the new alignment also unless subsequent modelling and / or designers risk assessment demonstrates otherwise.'		
CHL/207	02/05/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	Clause 8.8.1.1 Requirements.	Revise to historic practice of 200mm as specified with 27715. 200mm is the appropriate minimum value for in span clearance. In span clearance of 600mm is specified for RC conductors referenced against reference system and historic practice from standards but neither quoted standard specifies 600mm as in span clearance. This clause contradicts 27715 which specifies 200mm and is understood to be the correct value.	Accepted
CHL/208	06/05/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	Clauses 5 & 10	Standard limits use to a restricted set of track criteria not reflective of current practice nor excellent sleeper performance. Updating the standard would address this anomaly and allow wider use of spade ended steel sleepers with significant installation and whole life financial benefits for the network.	Accepted
CHL/209	08/05/2025	NR/L2/SIG/30021 - Alterations to Authorised Line Speeds [Issue 2]	Systems Engineering	The Rulebook now allows the use of 'A-boards' which allow trains to accelerate to a higher speed as soon as the front of their train passes the speedboard rather than waiting until the rear of the train has passed the	Currently the standard does not acknowledge A-boards	Accepted
CHL/210	09/05/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	speedboard. NR/L2/SIG/11201/ModX23 - Signalling Design: Module X23 - Level Crossings: Manually Controlled Barriers With Closed Circuit Television [Issue 1]	The Standard wording restricts the use of separate CCTV columns/cameras and specifies a certain type of column which is no longer available/used Use of a Product approved Assisted Lift Trunnion, Column and CCTV Bracket to mount each camera on a separate post at the LC	Not Proceed
CHL/211 CHL/212	12/05/2025	NR/L2/TRK/1054 - Inspection and	Track	3.2.5 Track Condition	Agreement within each route on which crossings require the	In Progress
	. 2. 331 2423	Maintenance Procedures for Crossings in Track [Issue 6]			installation of void monitoring equipment (manual or remote), based on risk of asset failure or operational criticality. Dip angle checks (either using track geometry data or straight edge measurements on site) will remain as requirements. Underside crack inspections to be carried out on assets not monitored by void meters.	
CHL/213	13/05/2025	NR/L2/TRK/001 - Inspection and Maintenance of Permanent Way [Issue 25]	Track	NR/L2/TRK/001/Mod14 - Managing track in hot weather [Issue 9] Table 6 - CRT adjustment for various track configurations and conditions - Track curvature	The NR standard should include furthermore values for tight radius, to keep the safe margin from the ERRI research results. Suggested amendment: Radius between 500m and 350m subtract 9°C Radius between 350m and 250m subtract 12°C	Accepted
CHL/214	09/06/2025	NR/GN/OTK/5000 - Index of Off-Track and Drainage Drawings [Issue 4]	Off Track	Incorrect details provided for posts 3m Spec states c) posts steel o section; 3925mm long 127×76×13mm UB/RSJ pointed at top	For radius below 250m subtract 14°C Amend steel section size to 127mm×76mm×13 Kg/m	In Progress
				this is incorrect the steel section size this should read 127mm×76mm×13 Kg per M Kg/m		
CHL/215	11/06/2025	NR/L2/TRK/0032 - Joining Of Rails By Aluminothermic Welding [Issue 7]	Track	Extend the timescale of which Non-compliant welds should be inspected.	Inspect welds in the timescale given below. NC welds reported as 2/3C defects we would have 2 weeks to inspect. NC welds reported as 2H defects we would have 7 days to inspect. NC welds reported worse than 2H (2B, 2A, 1A, 2BW1, 1BW1)	Accepted

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CHL/216	11/06/2025	NR/L2/OHS/00120 - Drugs and Alcohol	Group Health and Wellbeing	Clause 10.8.4	Clause 10.8.4 restricts disclosure of the drug identified at the	Not Proceed - Decision Appeαled
		Standard [Issue 8]			POCT stage, even to the donor. However, the collection of this information constitutes processing of special category data (health data), and as such is subject to the principles of lawfulness, fairness, and transparency under Article 5(1)(a) of the UK GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018.	
CHL/217	14/06/2025	NR/L3/TRK/3510 - Rail Friction Management [Issue 3]	Track	Clause 8.1 mandates the requirement to decommission traction gel applicators by 31st January each year	Proposed amend wording to 'TGA systems should be decommissioned by 31st January"	Accepted
CHL/218	17/06/2025	NR/L2/CIV/035 - Management of Structures [Issue 2]	Buildings & Civils	NR/L2/CIV/035/Mod02 - Carry Out Structural Assessment [Issue 1] Clause 6.8 Risk Assessment	The clause makes reference to NR/L3/CIV/021, which has not been published and is no longer planned to be.	Accepted
CHL/219	17/06/2025	NR/L2/ELP/21088 - General Maintenance Parameters for Overhead Line Electrification Equipment [Issue 4]	Electrical	NR/L2/ELP/21088/02 - Mark 1 Maintenance Parameters [Issue 1] Clause 10	Update Table 7 to reflect the minimum stagger data in live standard NR/L2/ELP/27212 and explain that the data provided for A660, A660A, A665 and A665A arms is for the pull off condition.	In Progress
CHL/220	18/06/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	There is very little in NR standards which documents the roles, responsibilities and requirements in respect of assessing existing assets for a change in use, for example linespeed increases, changes in EMGTPA or track cat, changes in rolling stock type or length.	A new standard of requirements and guidance for assessing the impact of changes on existing infrastructure to either a) demonstrate suitability or b) identify where intervention is required.	Not Proceed
CHL/221	18/06/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	NR/L2/SIG/11201/ModX21 - Level Crossings: Manually Controlled Barriers With Obstacle Detector [Issue 5] Issue 3 - 2.1.3: "Where the route has not been set beyond the signal, the barriers shall not descend, and the RTLs shall automatically extinguish after a time (default of 30 seconds)."	Stowmarket controls should initiate a full level crossing closure sequence (i.e. upon detection of a train at the Stowmarket Strike-In, the sequence will be initiated, illuminating the amber road traffic lights for 3 seconds, subsequently extinguishing and illuminating the red road traffic lights for 5 seconds, and then proceeding to lower the barriers if the crossing is set to AUTO). The proposed solution shall maintain the barriers raised in the above circumstances if the Signaller has his controls set in the raised position. This appears to be compliant with MOD X21 iss.3. Where MOD X21 iss.3 stipulates a default time of 30s, the deviation proposes to time the approaching train to a stand (based on project specific calculations done during scheme development) before normalising the Stowmarket locking on the crossing.	In Progress
CHL/222	19/06/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	NR/L3/TRK/2049/mod05 - System Interfaces [Issue 2] 2049 - E.4.3: Level Crossing Road Profiles – 1	Where green clauses within TRK/2049 can not be met, it is reasonable to use comparison to the maintenance standard to assess risk. However the different methodologies used in both	Accepted
CHL/223	20/06/2025	NR/L3/TRK/1020 - Track Hand Back for Projects: Confirming track is safe for opening at the selected line speed after projects engineering work [Issue 2]	Track	6.3- Table 7	standards means this comparison cannot be drawn. It is proposed to incorporate the TEF3203 Form F extract into the 019 proccess to comply with the spirit of the standard, without having to complete Form A-G & issue ATW's for L1 Hand-Backs without additional training. AMCO are looking to up-skill all civils supervisors where OTP is used for works which do not traditionally require appointed hand-back engineers.	Accepted
CHL/224	20/06/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	Module 01 clause 5.1.1.1 and Module 03 clause 4.3	When specified by this standard, electrical clearances shall be classified to identify the electrical insulation categories in accordance with Table 3.	Accepted
CHL/225	23/06/2025	NR/L2/CSG/STP001 - Standards and	Company Standards and		The standard prohibits the numbering of each paragraph Allow	Not Proceed
CHL/226	24/06/2025	Controls Management [Issue 9] NR/L2/TRK/7014 - Standardised Risk Based Maintenance Regime (RBM) for the Inspection and Maintenance of the Permanent Way [Issue 2]	Controls Group Track	Table 1 - Requirements to inspect in the 4ft by foot	the numbering of individual paragraphs With the introduction of AIVR, Track access being restricted due to increased services. A financial and efficiency target being sought from the business. The decision to utilise new technology meets all of these aims Utilise the AIVR platform to undertake RBM Themed Inspections	Not Proceed
CHL/227	25/06/2025	NR/PS/ELP/00021 - Product Specification for Standby Diesel Generators for Signalling Supplies (formerly RT/E/PS/00021) [Issue 2]	Electrical	Section 5.2	Clause 5.2 is out of data to current equipment and contradicts NR/L2/ELP/40068 iss01 section 9.3. Clause 5.2 should be removed to reflect the current equipment proven starter motor reliability.	Accepted
CHL/228	25/06/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	8.5.11 Curving design values - cant deficiency switches and crossings	The limits defined in Table 15 - Abrupt change of cant deficiency limits at switch toes The normal limits of 110mm for speed of upto 40mph and 100mm for above 40mph, place all the NR60Mk1 in the exceptional range. As we already know that the MK1 H switch (with an abrupt change at the toes of 110mm) required a speed restriction, that means that for the NR60MK1 design at least, the limit of 110mm might be too high, especially for the higher speed turnouts.	Accepted
CHL/229	26/06/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10663 - Signal Maintenance Specifications [Issue 19]	Signalling	NR/SMS/AX40-41/RC01	The record card no longer reflects current practice for RSR123 wheel sensor installation. Update record card to reflect current installation practices (including use of NordLock washers	Accepted
CHL/230	26/06/2025	NR/L2/CIV/005 - Drainage Systems Manual [Issue 2]	Buildings & Civils	General	The standard for drainage needs updating as it contains EGI Codes which are now obsolete in Ellipse.	Accepted
CHL/231	26/06/2025	NR/L2/CSG/STP001 - Standards and	Company Standards and	General	Easy identification of changes of in new issues of existing	Not Proceed
CHL/232	27/06/2025	Controls Management [Issue 9] NR/I.3/CIV/006 - Structures, Tunnels and Operational Property Examinations Manual (Formerly Handbook for the Examination of Structures) [Issue 13]	Controls Group Buildings & Civils	Table 1	standard Utilise black lines in the margin function of word Under Visual Examination for Stations, states that Table 1 of CIV/006/3B should be consulted for scope. There is no Table 1 in CIV/006/3B. Believe this should be referring to CIV/006/3C.	Accepted
CHL/233	27/06/2025	NR/L2/CIV/171 - Examinations, Inspections and Assessments of Buildings & Architecture Assets: Structures and Fabric [Issue 3]		Clause 6.4	The second and third paragraph say the same thing in different language. The third paragraph only refers to canopies and trainsheds. The second paragraph includes more elements. One of these paragraphs should be removed for clarity.	In Progress
CHL/234	27/06/2025	NR/L2/CIV/171 - Examinations, Inspections and Assessments of Buildings & Architecture Assets: Structures and Fabric [Issue 3]	Buildings and Architecture	Clause 6.5	Clause 6.5 denotes that the RAM should instruct structural inspections and or assessments in line with Table 4 (of NR/L2/CIV/171) and NR/L1/CIV/032. Table 4 does not dictate this timescale. NR/L1/CIV/032 does not exist. NR/L2/CIV/032, nor any of its modules, dictate the timescales for structural inspection for assessment. Propose that the reference to Table 4 is removed. Propose that NR/L1/CIV/032 reference is amended to NR/L2/CIV/035/MOD01	In Progress
CHL/235	30/06/2025	NR/L3/TRK/003 - Index of Track Engineering Forms [Issue 51]	Track	Module: NR/L3/TRK/003/TEF3220 - Form A - APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE [Issue 2]	The standard does not require the CRE to sign off the Form A, B or C and the TEF's do not have a specific box for CRE sign off. Propose that CRE's are to be held more accountable for design submissions and to actually have to sign an updated version of the Form which either a) replaces the designers submission box with the CRE sign off box or b) has both designer and CRE sign off boxes.	Not Proceed
CHL/236	30/06/2025	NR/L3/TRK/003 - Index of Track Engineering Forms [Issue 51]	Track	Module: NR/L3/TRK/003/TEF3221 - Form B - APPROVAL OF DETAILED DESIGN AND CHECKING [Issue 2]	The standard does not require the CRE to sign off the Form A, B or C and the TEF's do not have a specific box for CRE sign off. Propose that CRE's are to be held more accountable for design submissions and to actually have to sign an updated version of the Form which either a) replaces the designers submission box with the CRE sign off box or b) has both designer and CRE sign off boxes.	Not Proceed
CHL/237	30/06/2025	NR/L3/TRK/003 - Index of Track Engineering Forms [Issue 51]	Track	Module: NR/L3/TRK/003/TEF3222 - Form C - APPROVAL OF MANUFACTURING DRAWINGS [Issue 2]	The standard does not require the CRE to sign off the Form A, B or C and the TEF's do not have a specific box for CRE sign off. Propose that CRE's are to be held more accountable for design submissions and to actually have to sign an updated version of the Form which either a) replaces the designers submission box with the CRE sign off box or b) has both designer and CRE sign off boxes.	Not Proceed

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CHL/238	30/06/2025	NR/L3/ELP/27237 - Overhead Line Work Instructions [Issue 26]	Electrical	Module C11 , clause 3.1,3.2 & section 4.	Clause 3.1 - The cyclical correlation should not be necessary providing the OLE depot can provide evidence that the correlation exercise has been completed once before and any required changes to the bonding drawings have been undertaken. Clause 3.2 - This activity is not necessary as examination of Bonds at Key Locations is undertaken through the depots RBM inspection regime with other work instructions. Clause 4 - The RSC gets tested every time a train goes through a section - why test it separately, fix on failure, which is very, very rare.	More Information Required
CHL/239	01/07/2025	NR/L2/MTC/10662 - Process for the creation of new or revised maintenance regimes using Reliability Centred Maintenance (RCM) [Issue 14]	Maintenance	Standard states that RCM is an approved method of RBM which it is not.	RCM and RBM are individual processes with RCM prioritising functionality and RBM prioritising risk areas. For clarity on the approach that the business is taking, that either the company is following a combined approach, or if following RCM as per all the relevant standard and modules.	Not Proceed
CHL/240	01/07/2025	NR/L1/RSE/30040 - EMC Strategy For Network Rail (formerly NR/L1/SIG/30040) [Issue 1]	Systems Engineering	The EMC regulations have been revoked and replaced by the Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulation 2016. The Yellow Book has been revoked and replaced by the Common Safety Measures - RA	Delete entire standard	Not Proceed
CHL/241	02/07/2025	NR/GN/INI/001 - Guidance on the Management of door to door work and	Workforce Safety	Conflicts with NR/L2/OHS/003	Delete standard	Not Proceed
CHL/242	02/07/2025	travel time [Issue 1] NR/GN/OHS/00150 - Infection Control Guidance [Issue 3]	Health & Wellbeing	The phone number 01494 754375 is no longer answered	Update standard and change phone number	In Progress
CHL/243	03/07/2025	NR/L2/CSG/STP001 - Standards and Controls Management [Issue 9]	Company Standards & Controls Group	Network Rail standards and control documents shall not be reproduced in whole or part without the written permission of the Standard and Control Document Owner and the Standards and Controls Management team. This is unrealistic and inefficient	Delete clause	Not Proceed
CHL/244	03/07/2025	NR/L2/CSG/STP001 - Standards and Controls Management [Issue 9]	Company Standards & Controls Group	The standards variation process, requirements and questions in the tracker tool does not provide a robust approach.	Provide a stronger signpost / green requirement to the principles of risk assessment and CSM. A key question/decision point should be, does the variation/change being proposed affect safety, and which disciplines are affected? it is not enough just to ask have stakeholders been consulted, which is a tick box. Where a change affects safety or has the potential to impact on other disciplines, it should be a mandated requirement to follow a systems risk assessment approach, to provide an evidence base for approval of the variation. Without this, the process is purely subjective and open to personal opinions populating the Tracker question set.	Accepted
CHL/245	03/07/2025	NR/L3/ELP/27237 - Overhead Line Work Instructions [Issue 26]	Electrical	The wiring for the great western electrification project (GWEP) varies between 7 and 4 years in age. Pantograph passage frequency increased substantially as entry into service rolled out regionally within the same time. From then until present the contact wire has settled into its operational profile changing from a rounded interface with the pantograph to now flat as it has worn against the also flat pantograph carbon.	Wales and Western propose to complete the asset condition assessment at a frequency of 4 yearly given it is a reportable measure to the ORR every 5 years. It is felt that there is little added value to continue completing the work instruction at a 1 yearly frequency now the contact wire is in steady state operation and subsequently so is the wear.	Not Proceed
CHL/246	04/07/2025	NR/L2/TRK/0032 - Joining Of Rails By Aluminothermic Welding [Issue 7]	Track	Proposed strengthening of controls around welding (joining rails) within fishplate limits	Introduction of requirement to ultrasonically test rail when welding (joining rails) within fishplate limits. Currently the requirement only applies when converting jointed track to CWR (2102 Clause 12)	Accepted
CHL/247	04/07/2025	NR/L2/OHS/003 - Fatigue Risk Management [Issue 9]	Health & Wellbeing	It is impractical for operations, no consideration has been given to how this standard would work in practice. There is a very limited number of controls that could be put in place for a fatigue management plan, the fatigue assessment could easily be manipulated depending on the outcome wanted by the individual, there is no appropriate time for the assessment to be conducted. The number of variations locally and nationally has led to mass confusion, it is costing the business a fortune with no real effective results to show for it. It is leading to poor behaviours, additional stress and workload. Different routes and functions within a route are taking different approaches due to the impracticality of the standard in its current format.	The standard is unachievable and impractical and the fatigue assessments and management plans are of no real value.	Not Proceed
CHL/248	10/07/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	6 Design 6.1 Option development 6.1.1.1 Requirements	Update the standard in line with the following which can be presented as a flow chart. 1) State that an assessment of electrical clearances based on existing track position and existing structure profile is to be undertaken in the first instance with a 0mm TMLA (and the other requirements of ELP/27716/01 clause 6.1.1.1). 2) If the electrical clearances are satisfactory then move to 3), if not go to 4) 3) Calculate what the resultant TMLA will be if no works are undertaken to change track position or structure profile. If this is acceptable, this shall be the MVP, go to 5), if not go to 4) 4) Develop proposals to improve the relationship between track and structure (for example track lower and/or bridge re-con) with a minimum TMLA as per NR/L2/TRK/2102 and/or as per CIV/020. This will be the MVP. 5) No intervention required to improve electrical clearances the relationship between track and structure.	In Progress
CHL/249	10/07/2025	NR/L2/CSG/STP001 - Standards and Controls Management [Issue 9]	Company Standards & Controls Group	Module 04 covers the process for variations against standards but does not cover the close out of variations.	Add a section covering the close out of variations when compliance has been achieved or the variation is otherwise no	Accepted
CHL/250	11/07/2025	NR/L2/OHS/00120 - Drugs and Alcohol Standard [Issue 8]	Health & Wellbeing	i.e. when compliance has been achieved. In-direct discrimination against neurodiversity individuals who have to take controlled medication due to their disability.	longer required., To add in a new clause into the Drugs and Alcohol policy, so that the group of individuals that take controlled medications are not subject to unfair treatment or loss of earnings.	In Progress
CHL/251	14/07/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10064 - General Instructions to Staff Working on S&T Equipment [Issue	Signalling	The standard is not only relevant to Signal Engineers but also Telecoms Engineers!	Amend scope to include Telecoms Engineers	Accepted
CHL/252	22/07/2025	13] NR/L2/TRK/2102 - Design and Construction of Track [Issue 13]	Track	TPRA are covered by signalling standard (NR/L2/SIG/30009/D410), whilst the TPRA is technically an Ops discipline responsibility, we are obviously responsible for the physical element and our standards make little reference to the proforma, etc.	Could a clause be added to 2102 to sign-post this requirement?	Accepted
CHL/253	24/07/2025	NR/L2/CTM/018 - Competence & Training In Traction Power Distribution Engineering (formerly NR/SP/CTM/018) [Issue 2]	Electrical	Statement within Module 17 - Section 3.2. It states: "Where the employee has been previously trained and has been completing the work for more than one year, performance evidence requirements defined in the element do not apply." Module 16 for competence DIST 16, the same points above.	Section 3.2, Module 17 should be amended to state that if an employee has been completing the work for more than one year, has the required performance evidence available and holds Level A competence, then formal training is not required. Module 16, Level B should be replaced with Level A as the minimum competence required. Table 6, remove the need for formal training in the criteria or competence award column.	Not Proceed
CHL/254	25/07/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design Handbook [Issue 20]	Signalling	Module A3-3 does not reflect the update to Mod A5-1 and introduction of symbol 23.	Update clause 10.28 to mention symbol 23 and review 10.13b for possible update of 4.88m dimension used in some examples	Accepted
CHL/255	31/07/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10665 - Reliability Centred Maintenance of Signalling Equipment [Issue 24]	Signalling	There doesn't appear to be a clause that requires the performance of assets to be monitored/assessed after implementation of the new regime to ensure the new regime is appropriate. Points are covered but other assets don't seem to be.	Add a new clause covering the monitoring of performance following the implementation of a regime with extended intervals.	In Progress
CHL/256 CHL/257	31/07/2025 06/08/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11010 - Management of Signalling and Communication Systems (Formerly RT/E/S/11010) [Issue 3] NR/L3/ELP/27115 - Planning DC Conductor Rail Isolations [Issue 5]	Signalling Electrical	Improve guidance on how a boundary document should be created. NR Standards portal is currently showing Issue 5 as current. Having spoken to the NR isolation planning team I am of the understanding that issue 5 has been withdrawn to make amendments and that they are working to issue 4. Issue 4 is showing as historic on the portal.	Revise standard with guidance and template form on how a boundary document should be created and managed Clarification required as to which issue we should be working to.	In Progress In Progress

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HL/258	06/08/2025	NR/L2/TRK/0032 - Joining Of Rails By	Track	Incorrect table reference: Issue 7, Clause 8.4.	Change the reference in clause 8.4 of NR/L2/TRK/0032 to Table	Accepted
HL/259	07/08/2025	Aluminothermic Welding [Issue 7] NR/L2/ELP/27032 - Management of incidents involving damage to the OLE [Issue 1]	Electrical			More Information Required
CHL/260	08/08/2025	NR/L2/TRK/0132 - Maintenance Arc Welding of Rails, Switches and Crossings [Issue 8]	Track	The requirement for LPT AND U17.	This should read LPT OR U17.	In Progress
HL/261	12/08/2025	NR/L3/ELP/27250 - Conductor Rail Equipment - Design and Maintenance Working Instructions [Issue 10]	Electrical	be included and therefore it is increasingly taken as the norm for negative bonding design. Sheet 803 does not mention any specific criteria for this requirement. Reinforcing cables are generally used at S&C at single rail	This sheet comes from legacy 'enhanced negative bonding' examples (see Revision 1 of 27250, Sheets 640, 641, and 642). It is proposed that cross bonding both S&C areas would be enough to mitigate against any reliability issues, without the need for reinforcement cables. Where reliability bonding is required, module 803 needs to highlight the criterion where this needs to occur, and should not be implemented across the entire third rail network.	Not Proceed
HL/262	14/08/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	Misleading wording	Wherever clearances are expressed to OCLS it should clearly state 'live' OCLS, otherwise the definition of OCLS within the standard would include Earth wires, structures, foundations, etc.	In Progress
HL/263	14/08/2025	NR/L3/AIF/003 - Asset data management for Ellipse and GEOGIS [Issue 1]	Asset Information	The data system GEOGIS was decommissioned in 2016. Asset registers that used to reside there have been transferred to newer systems such as INM for Plain line track, Ellipse for S&C track and Citadel for structures	Update via the addendum process each and every document that signposts to GEOGIS	Accepted
HL/264	26/08/2025	NR/L2/RSE/02009 - Engineering Management for Projects [Issue 8]	Systems Engineering	NR/L2RSE/02009/01 contains requirements that for the appointment of certain roles, that the person must be assessed against certain quads. The quads are appended to 02009/01 but there is no editable form in which a person can document their evidence and agree a competence level with their assessor and for the assessor to sign.	Update the standard which mandates the use of form XX to document evidence and record the competence against the relevant quads. Provide forms in word or excel. This could be a series of standalone forms, or we could revise and expand the existing appoint forms (F0037/38/39/40/42A).	Accepted
HL/265	27/08/2025	NR/L2/TRK/2500 - Engineering Assurance Arrangements for the Design and Construction of Track [Issue 4]	Track	On simple/less complex plain line renewals projects and to offer up an efficiency, there is a practice of combining Form A's and Form B's together. This reduces the need for two design checks.	On Category 1 and Category 2 checks rather than having a separate Form A and Form B can the process/form be combined into a 'Form D'? Similar to a Civils 'Form G'	Not Proceed
HL/266	28/08/2025	NR/L2/OHS/501 - Trackworker Protection and Warning Systems [Issue 9]	Workforce Safety	"An RDD shall only be used where a pre-existing templated signalling design exists for the required asset disconnection type. If one does not exist, this shall be created and agreed with the Principal Design Authority Engineer." This Red Clause does not allow for any flexibility for design staff to utilise best practice for each specific site for RDD application, as the templated design is fixed in the RDD Application Guidance document. In addition, the RDD Application Guidance document is not a published standard, and the templated circuits contained are not published as Typical circuits.		Not Proceed
IL/267	04/09/2025	NR/CS/OHS/002 - Policy on working safely	Workforce Safety	Form EPF/OLE/005	Extend the library read by the dropdown menu	Not Proceed
HL/268	05/09/2025	[Issue 1] NR/L3/TRK/003 - Index of Track Engineering Forms [Issue 52]	Track	Over recent projects the materials ordered using the TEF 3299 have lead to a shortfall in materials being delivered to sites, and it is as a result of the associated Incident Reviews that TEF 3299 requires a challenge to be updated. TEF 3299 is only set up for a limited set of materials Ballast, Sand and Spoil. Other materials are used throughout the Network such as Capping, Type 1, Gravels etc. Therefore more materials need to be added to the Standard TEF3299. In addition, more wagon types need to be added, as the current wagon types are not comprehensive.	Various changes and updates to the Form	Accepted
HL/269	15/09/2025	NR/L2/CTM/021 - Competence and Training in Track Worker Safety [Issue 5]	Workforce Safety	Sentinel card with a green square and must wear a blue helmet. Upon gaining sufficient competence and experience an individual can have their green square	One possible solutions could be to introduce another symbol for the Sentinel card and a different coloured helmet to indicate that someone has been classed competent and experienced with safeguarded and fenced methods of protection but still hasn't competence and experience with other methods of protection.	Not Proceed
HL/270	16/09/2025	NR/L2/RSE/02009 - Engineering Management for Projects [Issue 8]	Systems Engineering	Enhance the F0047 form with a number of standard questions for both IDC and IDR processes.	Addition of some standard questions, that are mandatory to ask and complete, to ensure that some often overlooked aspects of the IDC / IDR have been carried out and provide a more robust process	More Information Required
HL/271	18/09/2025	Maintenance Procedures for Crossings in	Track	a section to be populated for d), f), g), h), i) from Clause	There isn't a section to be populated for d), f), g), h), i) from Clause 3.2.5 in TEF 3031	Accepted
HL/272	19/09/2025	Track [Issue 6] NR/L2/TEL/30134 - Design and Installation Requirements for Public Announcement, Voice Alarm and Long Line Public Announcement Systems [Issue 2]	Telecommunications	3.2.5 in TEF 3031 Propose to reduce the IP rating of an internal PA speaker	Currently the standard states IP43.	In Progress

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CHL/273	19/09/2025	NR/L2/OHS/00130 - Creating a Site of Work Segregated from the Railway [Issue 3]	Workforce Safety	To challenge the requirement in the standard that a Site Controller (COSS) is always needed, specifically for non-intrusive works more than 3m from the nearest running rail. You want to argue that, with a suitable risk assessment and documented mitigations in a method statement, a COSS may not be required	The current application of NR/L2/OHS/00130/02 appears to mandate the presence of a Site Controller (COSS) for all works within the defined lineside area. However, the standard itself recognises the importance of risk-based controls and the potential for alternative approaches where justified. Specifically: - Section 4 and the associated note state that 'where a minimum of 3 metres from the nearest running line can be established and a documented risk assessment supports this, low risk activities may be carried out without applying NR/L2/OHS/00130'. - Section 5 and 9 describe a hierarchy of controls, with physical barriers and site wardens as alternatives to a COSS, particularly for non-intrusive, short-duration, or low-risk activities. Given these provisions, it is reasonable to propose that for non-intrusive works located say more than 5m from the nearest running rail, a robust risk assessment and a documented method statement detailing risk controls and mitigations should be sufficient to manage safety without the mandatory presence of a Site Controller (COSS). This approach aligns with the standard's intent to apply proportionate, risk-based controls and to enable efficiencies where risks are demonstrably low and effectively managed.	Accepted
CHL/274	22/09/2025	NR/L2/OHS/019 - Safety of People at Work On or Near the Line [Issue 12]	Workforce Safety	The form requests details for a safe system of work for walking to/from a worksite on or near the line. An option for this is a Separated safe system. The RB change in 2024 states that walking to/from the site of work must be outside the area known as on or near the line. Therefore there cannot be a Separated safe system.	That the reference to on or near the line is removed from the Safe System of Work header portion for walking to or from a worksite.	Not Proceed - Decision Appealed
CHL/275	23/09/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27715 - Overhead Contact System Design Specification [Issue 4]	Electrical	The clause states "The Designer shall not locate insulated overlaps and booster overlaps where train pantographs are calculated to come to a stand." This is amber and can be prohibitive when trying to locate sectioning points around existing signals for new electrification or when modifying existing electrification and could drive up costs.	The UKMS Allocation Design Manual 13.4.3 offers a relaxing of this rule stating "The designer shall avoid locating insulated overlaps (unless normally closed with switch within the span) and booster overlaps where train pantographs are calculated to come to a stand". It is not clear though why the switch must be located within the span. Scenarios such as an unswitched insulated overlap on a loop line that is on the same electrical sections as a normally closed switched insulated overlap on the adjacent mainline would also appear to be low risk. Believe the main risk is at booster overlaps due to burning of the booster coils. Also at TSCs there is potentially a greater risk of bridging a point of isolation. At all other insulated overlap locations this should be green for guidance.	Accepted as Variation
CHL/276	26/09/2025	NR/L2/OHS/021 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) [Issue 5]	Workforce Safety	Section 4 and 5 of the Standard, this stating "full high visibility", where we proposed the allowance of a 2-tone garment for the purposes of inclusion relating to heath issues such as endometriosis, heavy menstrual periods, bladder and incontinence complaints, for any gender.	With respect to "inclusion" a challenge is made whereby a 2 tone (Navy - upper, and Orange lower) set of trouser be allowed on the NRIL infrastructure providing that RIS-3279-TOM remains satisfied. As an example, Leo Workwear Hawkridge Style JT91 set of trousers. Full orange is considered the rail standard, but hopefully a navy section in appropriate areas for wearers comfort should be made available outside of the directive (as it is not a law) 20471 is still captured which is the key standard for high visibility, and also the Orange utilised will still meet RIS-3279-TOM in regards to the shade.	Accepted
CHL/277	26/09/2025	NR/L2/CIV/177 - Monitoring Track Over or Adjacent to Construction Works [Issue 3]	Buildings & Civils	Following a recent safety-of-the-line incident and the subsequent Engineering Event Review and Investigation, findings have highlighted ambiguity in the terminology and definition of 'Post Completion Monitoring'. The current definition states that Post Completion Monitoring is to commence 'following the completion of the work'. However, it does not specify whether the line must be open to traffic at that point. This interpretation has proven insufficient, as the track is not under load during the monitoring period, thereby undermining the effectiveness of the monitoring process.	Further clarity within the standard, by either providing a definition of Post Completion Monitoring in Table 2, or by adding more detail within Clause 8, Table 4. This should specify the monitoring requirements when works are completed early in a possession period, and the line will not be subject to operational traffic for a significant duration. Such scenarios reduce the effectiveness of the stated monitoring period, as the track would not be subjected to loading.	Accepted
CHL/278	29/09/2025	NR/L2/CIV/003 - Engineering and Architectural Assurance of Building and Civil Engineering Works [Issue 8]	Buildings & Civils	General update	1, To make the form digital systems capable can a box be added to page 1 to allow the scope to which the form applies to be entered in a common place. this is required by note 2 "2. Briefly describe the Construction Work to be Taken into Use and identify any departures from the accepted Design and/or any uncompleted parts/elements." but no common area is provided on the form for this requirement to be fulfilled. 2, Note 7 covers delegation to the CRE's Nominated Representative, guidance need to be added to the documents to form NR/L2/RSE/02009/F0051 and if this is required.?	Accepted
CHL/279	29/09/2025	NR/L2/CIV/003 - Engineering and Architectural Assurance of Building and Civil Engineering Works [Issue 8]	Buildings & Civils	Add reference to NR/L2/OHS/1030 working safely in the vicinity of buried services and requirements to show buried services on drawings and design out risks from buried services.	Add a requirement for detailed designs to show utility / statutory undertaker services in proximity to works as a minimum a PAS 128 level D survey should be used to show known services in proximity to proposed works. The CDM regs require designers must when preparing or modifying designs: 1, take account of any pre-construction information provided by the client (and principal designer, if one is involved) 2, eliminate foreseeable health and safety risks to anyone affected by the project (if possible) 3, take steps to reduce or control any risks that cannot be eliminated By provision of a PAS 128 level D survey to the designer this will enable a better standard of project delivery to be achieved and reductions in safety risk to staff on the ground. Currently designers can assume there is no risk / interface and get paid for a redesign when the risk is actualised.	Accepted
CHL/280	01/10/2025	NR/L2/ELP/27716 - Electrical and mechanical clearances on overhead electrified railways [Issue 1]	Electrical	The standard was written with the objective to reduce the amount of civils intervention required to electrify under existing over bridges. The standard only calls for probabilistic analysis when dynamic VCC fails and for	Add a clause to permit probabilistic analysis to justify a functional clearance.	Accepted
CHL/281	03/10/2025	NR/L2/ELP/21131 - Warning and Other Signs for A.C. and D.C. Electrified Lines [Issue 4]	Electrical	MVP. The NR/L2/ELP/21131 standard sets a particularly high level of requirements, which may exceed practical needs in certain cases.	Remove RTE6001 from station platform requirement (Section 7.5). Clarify RTE6018 at entrances only; RTE6008 acceptable for platform gates. Restrict RTE6001 use in stations to SECRA-identified risks only. Permit RTE6008 instead of RTE6001 in unrestricted public areas. Redefine "unrestricted public areas" as non-platform zones (car parks, viaducts). Exempt station OLE masts with anti-climb guards from signage. Update footbridge requirements: two minimum RTE60018 (Live Wires Below Structure; 400x250mm) per bridge to avoid pedantic application and multiple unnecessary signs per bridge; Mechanical fixings are required for public overbridges. For VCC structures with wire height <4.165m - RTE6029 (Low Wire Height) 400x250mm should be affixed to the abutment at track level, viewable in the direction of travel. Access points signage update: flash mark + ECR phone number for electrified areas. No extra signage unless risk assessed. Supplementary warning signage along the route should only be as defined by risk assessment.	In Progress

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CHL/282	03/10/2025	NR/L3/ELP/27240 - Distribution Work Instructions [Issue 13]	Group Electrical	Alternative approach	3.4 Trough Routes 1. Wisual check that the trough alignments are correct and	Not Proceed
		Institutions (Issue 13)			varning signage or markings are clearly visible. 2. Bift trough lids and visually inspect the cable at critical locations - e.g., joint bays - or where evidence of disturbance or damage is observed. Any disturbance or damage observed in an inaccessible area, e.g. a steep embankment, should be recorded and escalated for resolution.	
CHL/283	03/10/2025	NR/L2/SIG/11201 - Signalling Design	Signalling	There is inconsistent national application of IDC and CRE	Mod B20 should be amended to state clearly that all TSR/ESR	In Progress
		Handbook (Issue 20)		obligations for TSR/ESR designs. In some routes IDC/CRE is expected as part of signalling design governance, while in others it is not. This inconsistency creates ambiguity around accountability for "approval" on drawings and whether documents can legitimately progress to AFC. Mod B20 does not set out a clear, nationally consistent position, despite NR/L2/SIG/S0040 defining signalling discipline ownership of TSR/ESR design and verification and identifying IRSE-licensed roles for designer and	signalling designs and their independent verifications shall be carried out by IRSE-licensed designers/verifiers in accordance with NR/L2/SIG/50040. Mod B20 should be explicit in whether IDCs and the appointment of a CRE (Design) are required. Mod B20 should explicitly address interpolation. It should either prohibit interpolation entirely and require the use of tabulated	
				verifier. Competence requirements should be explicit. In practice, TSR/ESR designs are produced and independently verified by IRSE-licensed signalling designers and verifiers; however, Mod B20 does not state this clearly. This omission has, at times, resulted in non-licensed or	GKRT0075 values only, or define the limited circumstances in which interpolation is permissible, with worked examples and references to the controlling data in GKRT0075 and the warning-equipment positioning guidance in NR/L2/SIG/50040. Mod B20 should specify use of a single, nationally maintained and version-controlled NR calculator for TSR/ESR (MDD/MSBD)	
				non-engineering staff being asked to review ESR/TSRs. NR/L2/SIG/50040 and NR/L3/TRK/7006 already indicate IRSE-licensed designer and verifier roles; Mod B20 should mirror this explicitly to remove doubt. There is also ambiguity regarding interpolation in	calculations, referenced from Mod B20 and NR/L2/SIG/50040. It should also require a national SharePoint workflow for requests, which automatically issues authority numbers, allocates drawing numbers, and stores the signed IRSE design/verification record and IDC/CRE evidence.	
CHL/284	08/10/2025	NR/L2/CIV/005 - Drainage Systems Manual	Off Track	calculations. NR/L2/SIG/50040 states that interpolation between speed tables is not permitted, and that interpolation between gradients should only be used in specific conflict situations, whereas GKRT0075 provides MDD/MSBD datasets without an explicit, unified rule on There is inconsistent national application of IDC and CRE	Is there any further guidance on UK Accredited facilities and	In Progress
	667.672625	[Issue 2]	on rides	obligations for TSR/ESR designs. In some routes IDC/CRE is expected as part of signalling design governance, while in others it is not. This inconsistency creates ambiguity around accountability for "approval" on drawings and whether documents can legitimately progress to AFC. Mod B20 does not set out a clear, nationally consistent position, despite NRIL2/SIG/50040 defining signalling discipline ownership of TSR/ESR design and verification and identifying IRSE-licensed roles for designer and verifier. Competence requirements should be explicit. In practice, TSR/ESR designs are produced and independently verified by	which other testing facilities can be used? Is there a process for Network Rail to review the acceptability of testing facilities, or an approved list of facilities?	integes
				IRSE-licensed signalling designers and verifiers; however, Mod B20 does not state this clearly. This omission has, at times, resulted in non-licensed or non-engineering staff being asked to review ESR/TSRs. NR/L2/SIG/50040 and NR/L3/TRK/7006 already indicate IRSE-licensed designer and verifier roles; Mod B20 should mirror this explicitly to remove doubt. There is also ambiguity regarding interpolation in calculations. NR/L2/SIG/50040 states that interpolation between speed tables is not permitted, and that interpolation between gradients should only be used in specific conflict situations,		
				whereas GKRT0075 provides MDD/MSBD datasets without an explicit, unified rule on interpolation in Mod B20. This leads to route-by-route divergence on whether interpolation can be used in warning-board positioning and deceleration calculations. Mod B20 should explicitly align to a single position on interpolation to avoid inconsistent design outcomes. Process tools are fragmented. Mod B20 references an NR-		
CHL/285	13/10/2025	NR/L2/RMVP/0200 - Infrastructure Plant Manual [Issue 16]	Rail Mounted Vehicle & Plant	Challenge for efficiency across the business by integrating maintenance inspections and project works.	Add clause for project to inform PIC when any new semi- permanent or permanent RRAP's will be installed or when any existing RRAPs will temporarily be removed in order to provide the TME the opportunity to inspect track components whilst they are exposed and visible.	In Progress
CHL/286		NR/L2/RMVP/0200 - Infrastructure Plant Manual [Issue 16]	Rail Mounted Vehicle & Plant	people being placed on the wrong line.	Proposal to add an amber clause (or at least a green clause) that any new permanent, semi-permanent or temporary RRAP's shall have a plate fitted to the 4ft of the sleepers either side of the RRAP to identify track name / track ID.	In Progress
CHL/287	13/10/2025	NR/L2/RMVP/0200 - Infrastructure Plant Manual [Issue 16]	Rail Mounted Vehicle & Plant	Proposal to update standard to improve sustainability.	Remove the use of new hardwood RRAP surfaces in the construction of new permeant, semi-permeant or temporary RRAP's (may be the only concession is if the hardwoods are already in stock and are to be used for the spot replacement and maintenance of RRAP's or serviceable hardwood is proposed to be used).	In Progress
CHL/288		[Issue 14]	Track	Proposed update to avoid confusion amongst designers and project teams. Maximum stepping distances are shown on the diagram and this is being misunderstood as a requirement within track or platform edge design and there is a risk that people use these dimensions to influence the specification of the platform edge position rather than the requirements in GI/RT7020. This also leads to technically incorrect statements that 'the platform has non-compliant stepping distances.' The requirement is for a positive clearance to the platform edge and the platform edge position is clearly specified in GI/RT7020. The stepping distances are specified in GM/RT2173 - 'Size of vehicles and position of equipment' (a rolling stock standard) are used to specify the requirements for step positions on new or modified rolling stock based on a nominal (i.e standard / target) position. In short, the stepping distance is of interest, but it is not the requirement. This is regularly iterated in RSSB presentations.	Remove the maximum stepping distances from the diagram.	In Progress
CHL/289		NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Green clause regarding longitudinal gradient through platform does not align with RIS-7016-INS requirements and guidance (and supporting research project) and NTSN INF	Proposal is to remove sheet E.1.6 entirely or update green clause to align with or sign post to RIS-7016-INS and NTSN INF.	In Progress
CHL/290	15/10/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Minimum dimension for platform widths is mis-leading. Risk that people misunderstand this 'minimum' dimension to be the 'minimum viable product.' There is a risk that the minimum platform width quoted on sheet E1.6 would still result in a non-compliant design from a NTSN Mobility or pedestrian flow / fire evacuation point of view.	Remove this sheet entirely from the standard or state that this is a minimum dimension subject to compliance with other standards. Preference is to remove as requirements for platform widths are well documented elsewhere.	In Progress
CHL/291	15/10/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Missing symbols from the notes make it unclear if the dimensions quoted on the diagram are a minimum or a maximum dimensions.	Option 1 - Add * to note 1 to indicate a minimum dimension and add # to note 2 to indicate a maximum dimension. Option 2 - Remove sheet entirely as content is out of date and / or well documented elsewhere in other standards. Preference is option 2.	In Progress
CHL/292	15/10/2025	NR/L3/TRK/2049 - Track Design Handbook [Issue 14]	Track	Challenge against amber clause. Not clear if a variation would be required as amber clause requires ' an allowance for stopping accuracy (this is normally the length of the train plus 20m). This is then followed by a green clause which says this may be reduced to the length of the train being 10m. It could be interpreted that a design is compliant if an allowance has been provided even though it is less than 20m but others have interpreted this in the past as being non-compliant if 20m allowance has not been achieved. The allowance for stopping accuracy is incorrectly described, it is not the length of the train plus xx metres, the allowance is simply the xx metres. The 20m or 10m is also excessively generous, trains regularly stop within platforms braking from much higher speeds than in sidings with nominally 5m inaccurate stopping. It would also be unreasonable to apply this clause in the renewal of an existing siding due to condition for example.	-	In Progress

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HL/293	17/10/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10064 - General Instructions to Staff Working on S&T Equipment [Issue 13]	Signalling	To understand where the minimum distance from the running edge of 2406mm (if unboarded conductor rail) is applicable. This requirement does not align with the E&P Standard NR/L3/ELP/27250/CRE/802, section 11.3, point (a) which states that single protective boarding is required on the "outside of the conductor rail where it is within 1m of an authorised walking route, for the length of the walking route".	The section 4.2 of NR/GI/C001 states: "The minimum distance from the running edge is 1300mm, but a distance of 2000mm shall be provided where practicable. This shall be increased to 2406mm adjacent to an un-boarded conductor rail, or 2100mm where the maximum permitted speed exceeds 100mph". The proposal is to clarify whether the minimum distance of 2406mm (measured from the running edge) is related to the line speed or regardless of it.	In Progress
HL/294	17/10/2025	NR/L2/TRK/1054 · Inspection and Maintenance Procedures for Crossings in Track [Issue 6]	Track	Prescribed minimum action code for UIC 761A (Longitudinal crack in the apron not hidden by fishplates) = YOH for all track categories (daily visual inspection and remove within 4 weeks). Not repairable.	Relax MAC to relax the frequency of inspection and extend remediation timescale where the length of the crack is measured as small. Suggest: -Where crack length is 20mm or less and no evidence of cracking in the core pocket there is a MAC of Y2 (fortnightly reinspection)Where 21-35mm length and no evidence of cracking in the core pocket there is a MAC of Y1K (weekly reinspection and removal is within a 26 week timescale)Where over 35mm crack length or there is evidence of cracking in the core pocket there is a MAC of Y0H (daily reinspection and removal within a 4 week timescale) - as per current standard MAC.	In Progress
HL/295	20/10/2025	NR/L2/TRK/001 - Inspection and Maintenance of Permanent Way [Issue 26]	Track	There is an amber clause to 'Complete the TEF3240 to determine the minimum permitted rail strength' but fully completing the TEF doesn't calculate the minimum permitted rail strength. This standards challenge is also to correct existing errors in TEF 3240.	Update TEF 3240 to calculate the minimum permitted rail strength and to fix other incorrect formula/text references such as: 1) Amend look up tables to provide results when the linespeed is <21mph, 2) Remove reference to 'zero time' or clarify what this refers to as it isn't in mod 9, 3) have a prompt for rail depth that the maximum value is xmm where xmm is defined by the rail section, 4) Cell J46 is a value when it should be a formula looking to the date rail laid in P10, 5) correct formula in J48 and J49	In Progress
THL/296	20/10/2025	NR/L2/INF/02202 - Records management of health and safety files [Issue 7]	Information Management	Clarification is sought on whether a H&S file has to be submitted to NRG when there is no design or change to the infrastructure. Predominantly for Works Delivery Eastern high volume maintenance and resilience activities.	WD Eastern have a wide spectrum of works from high volume maintenance and resilience activities to standalone projects and it is not clear when the standard should be applied. WD and Client interactions resulted in differing opinions. Some do not require a H&S File to be returned to NRG but others do, regardless of whether the infrastructure has changed and no design has taken place. I.e. Discipline specific source records updated. WD Resilience projects do not change the infrastructure. But where these are undertaken, 'AMP' is undertaken and Ellipse and/or other databases updated. Therefore, AMP becomes a H&S file 'vehicle'. WD projects that introduce infrastructure change follow the above standard, AMP and the updating of source records. The intention is to apply the standard where a 'Design' is required. In this scenario a 'design' is defined as: Where a design is required that alters the infrastructure and source records require updating to reflect the change. A reduction in Health and safety files being submitted to NRG creates substantial efficiency in workload for the majority of the project teams and Clients, reducing costs and increasing time to concentrate on other areas of focus. Where Works Delivery Eastern do not apply the above standard, 'AMP' shall be undertaken and Asset Databases/registers shall be updated as required. Ensuring the asset owner has full knowledge of works undertaken. A list of applicable work types is in the WD Eastern proposal.	In Progress
HL/297	21/10/2025	NR/L3/OPS/084 - Line Clear of Vehicle(s) Arrangements Following Engineering Works [Issue 7]	Operations Principles and Standards	This form is the only LCV form that does not include a box to record the date placed or removed, only the completion date is recoded. All other LCV forms capture this information, which ensures consistency and clarity across the documentation	Add sections for date placed or removed,	Accepted
CHL/298	22/10/2025	NR/L3/SIG/10661 - Signalling Maintenance Task Intervals [Issue 28]	Signalling	Working group, hosted by Eastern Region (Adrian Moss) found that residual voltage testing at 6 yearly was un productive	Amend 10661 to allow TC04-PT1 task to be FoF frequency	Not Proceed