

European Commission 

Certification of train drivers – practical experience

Challenges of the implementation of 2007/59/EC

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Legal Basis

- 2007/59/EC „certification of train drivers operating locomotives and trains on the railway system in the Community
- 36/2010/EU on Community models for train driving licences, complementary certificates, certified copies of complementary certificates and application form for train driving licences



Key objectives of this Directive

- Make it easier for cross-boarder rail services to operate
- Create a more flexible labour market for train driver
- Introduce common standards of driver and train crew competence across Europe
- Increase public confidence in the rail system through the statutory licensing of train drivers




Tasks for the Ministries

- To transpose directive into the national law
- To control fair and non-discriminatory execution of law -> high discrimination potential
- To nominate appeal body for discrimination



Discrimination of train drivers

- Discrimination potential:
 - access to training facilities
 - Exam of train drivers
 - Requirements of train drivers
 - Language
- **To be closely monitored by market railway regulator**



Example Austria

- In Austria by now no discrimination cases
- Access to training facilities – closely monitored by Railway Regulator
- Regulator consults most important training facilities – ex officio – (ÖBB-Produktion)
- worthwhile considering in SEETO

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Implementation of 2007/59 in Germany

- AEG § 4 (1) and EBO § 54
- VDV* – handbook 753 regulates the train driver certification
- Self-regulation and self-monitoring instead of state control
- Responsible person: **railway operation manager (ROM)**

* Verband deutscher Verkehrsunternehmen

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Tasks of the ROM

- Issuance of permit (licence + certificate) and not the safety authority
- Definition of training of train drivers (goals, structure, content, duration of training)
- Selection of trainers
- Appointment of the examiners
- Monitoring of train drivers
- Withdrawal of permits

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Route knowledge

- VDV 755 handbook* about acquisition and monitoring of route knowledge
- Includes also information about specialities of the track (signals, short braking distance,...)
- IM has to give information to RU
- ROM has to ensure that the train driver has all needed information

* not regulated by decrees!

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Principles of route knowledge

- Every train driver himself is responsible for route knowledge
- Route knowledge paper (to be filled in and signed)
- Loss of route knowledge:
 - No driving on route within 6 months after first time
 - No driving on route for more than 12 months
 - Significant modifications of the route

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EU model of licence and certificate

- By now not yet introduced

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Train driver agreement in the region

- Regional Agreement between SEETO Participants
 - On the basis of EU Directive 2007/59/EC
 - Minimum age: 18 years
 - Objective: harmonised training and certification of train drivers
 - Training certificate issued by a SEETO Participant shall be recognised by the other SEETO Participants.



Thank you.