

# NRA Structures Standards Update



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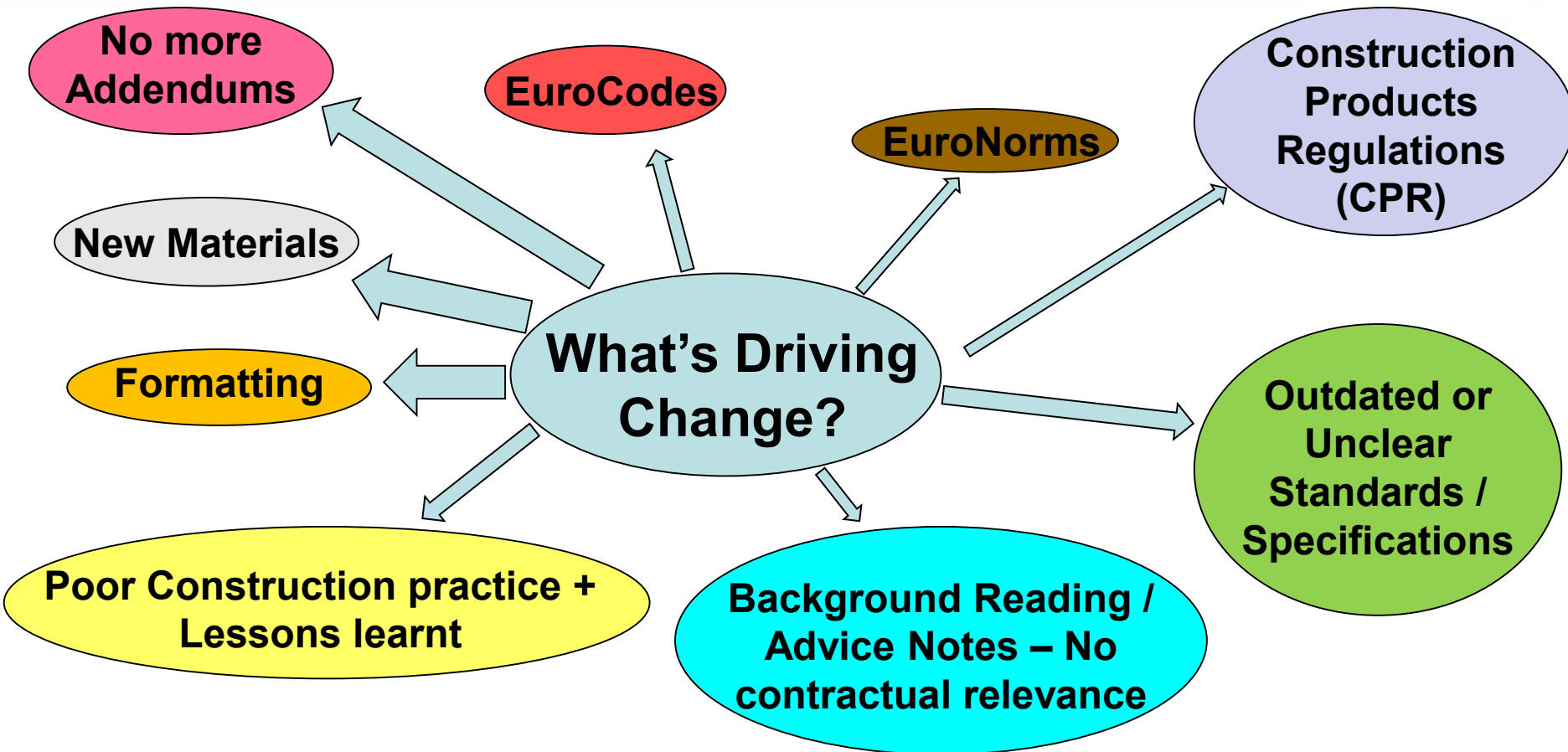
# Presentation Outline



- Drivers of Change
- Structures Specification – NRA Manual Contract Documents Road Works (NRA MCDRW)
- Structures Standards – NRA Design Manual for Roads & Bridges (NRA DMRB)
- The Evolving EuroCodes
- NRA Weigh-In-Motion (WIM)

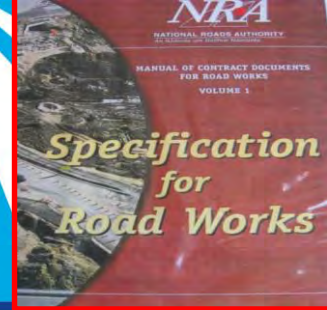


# Drivers of Change





# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



Specification			Document or Series Date
NRA MCDRW Part	Document or Series Number	Document or Series Title	
Volume 1	1600	Piling and Diaphragm Walling <i>(including Erratum No. 1, March 2011)</i>	December 2010
Volume 1	1700	Structural Concrete	December 2013
Volume 1	1800	Structural Steelwork	June 2014
Volume 1	1900	Protection of Steelwork Against Corrosion	June 2014
Volume 1	2000	Waterproofing for Concrete Structures	December 2010
Volume 1	2100	Bridge Bearings	March 2011
Volume 1	2200	Parapets (Not Used)	March 2013
Volume 1	2300	Bridge Expansion Joints and Sealing of Gaps	December 2010
Volume 1	2400	Brickwork, Blockwork and Stonework	December 2013
Volume 1	2500	Special Structures	June 2014
Volume 1	2600	Miscellaneous	December 2010

## NRA SD 02 Volume Contents

**5 new documents have been published recently**

**Working on updating 3 others – available 2015**

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 1700 *(December 2013)* - Structural Concrete

### Overview

- EuroCodes (IS EN 1992) based on assumption of construction and workmanship (execution) to **IS EN 13670** (Construction Management; Falsework & Formwork; Reinforcement; Prestressing; Concreting; Precast Elements; and Geometrical Tolerances)
- New Series 1700 now aligned with IS EN 13670 (Concrete Execution Code)
- New Series 1700 is based on new HA Series 1700 (rewritten for Ireland)
- Full review and update of all product standards referenced within Series 1700 to ensure compliance with the latest EuroNorms
- Provides general requirements to Designers compiling contract specific structural concrete specifications on NRA schemes

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 1700 - Structural Concrete

### Items of Note:

- Execution Specification (1701.3)
  - Before commencement of construction of any works the execution specification relevant to that works must be complete and available (Table NG 17/1)
- Execution Class (1701.4)
  - All works shall be built in accordance with Execution Class 3
  - A set of requirements specifying quality levels for construction of the works (Inspection of Material & Products; Inspection of Execution; Documentation of Inspection)
- Self Compacting Concrete (1706.3)
  - Not permitted for any insitu works
  - If proposed in factory produced precast elements - prior approval of ER required
  - If approved by ER – Shall conform to IS EN 206-9 & Testing to IS EN 12350-8 to 12



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## Series 1700 - Structural Concrete Items of Note:

- Trial Panels (1708.1)
  - This is not new! But we don't get them on-site?
  - Required (prior to works) for all exposed concrete
  - To demonstrate surface finish can be achieved by the methods proposed
- Curing of Concrete (1710.5)
  - Curing Class 3 (CI 8.5 of IS EN 13670 & Annex F) required
  - Duration – function of the development of 28 days compressive strength (50%)
  - Concrete must be protected against harmful effects of weather (rain, temperature etc)
- Geometrical Tolerances (1728)
  - Tolerances have been provided for road structures
  - Irrespective of geometrical tolerances used - Modified partial safety factors (IS EN 1992-1-1 / IS EN 13369) not permitted

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## Series 1700 - Structural Concrete

### Items of Note:

- CE Marking of Precast Products
  - IS EN 13670 considers precast elements to be products. The key standards are:
    - IS EN 15050 – Bridge Elements
    - IS EN 14844 – Box Culverts





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## Series 1800 (June 2014) -

### Structural Steelwork Overview

- Old Series 1800 based on BS 5400 Part 6 - now obsolete
- EuroCodes (IS EN 1993) based on assumption of executing to **IS EN 1090-2**
- New Series 1800 based on IS EN 1090-2 (Steel Execution Code)
- Based on new Highways Agency Series 1800 (rewritten for Ireland) which in turn is based on BSi PD 6705 (Recommendations for the execution of steel bridges to EN 1090-2)
- Provides general requirements to Designers compiling contract specific structural steelwork specifications in accordance with IS EN 1090-2
- Aim is to ensure technically sound choices are made, resulting in bridges being executed as economical as possible, whilst maintaining the level of reliability implicit of IS EN 1990 & IS EN 1993

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## Series 1800 - *Structural Steelwork*

### Main Differences between IS EN 1090-2 & BS 5400-6

- User Decision:
  - 200 NDPs within IS EN 1090-2 compared to 39 within BS 5400-6
- Scope of Application:
  - IS EN 1090-2 applies to all types of structural steelwork (BS 5400-6 specific to bridges)
- Reference Standards:
  - IS EN 1090-2 references over 100 new European standards many of which replace British Standards (referenced within BS 5400-6)
- Material Grades:
  - Range for plates & sections has increased from S460 (BS 5400-6) to S690 (IS EN 1090-2)

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 1800 - *Structural Steelwork*

### Main Differences between IS EN 1090-2 & BS 5400-6

- Product Forms:
  - IS EN 1090-2 covers high strength cables (BS 5400-6 did not)
- Execution Methods:
  - IS EN 1090-2 allows laser & plasma cut holes (not covered in BS 5400-6)
- Personnel Qualification:
  - IS EN 1090-2 has qualification requirements for welding co-ordinators, welders & weld inspectors. BS 5400-6 did not address this.
- Quality Management:
  - IS EN 1090-2 addresses the subject of quality documentation & quality plans in a more explicit manner.



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## Series 1800 - *Structural Steelwork*

### Main Differences between IS EN 1090-2 & BS 5400-6

- Quality Control:
  - IS EN 1090-2 is based on Factory Production Control (FPC) which is on-going and testing is not specific to any particular contract or structure. BS 5400-6 does not address FPC.
- Acceptance Levels:
  - As a result of FPC, target quality levels must be high enough to cover the most quality sensitive design situations. BS 5400-6 quality based on fitness for purpose.
- Geometrical Tolerances:
  - IS EN 1090-2 has more comprehensive requirements than BS 5400-6.
- Surface Treatment:
  - IS EN 1090-2 covers the application of surface coatings (BS 5400-6 did not)

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## Series 1800 - Structural Steelwork

### Items of Note:

- CE Marking of Products
  - Open Sections – IS EN 10025-1
  - Hollow Sections – IS EN 10210-1
  - Plates – IS EN 10025-1
- CE Marking of fabricated structural steelwork
  - Fabricated structural steelwork – IS EN 1090-1
- Execution Class
  - Consequence Class (CC) + Service Category (SC) + Production Category (PC) = Execution Class (EXC1, EXC2, EXC3 or EXC4)
  - For bridges **EXC3** shall generally (Cl. 1804.1.2) – i.e. EXC4 for long span bridges

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## Series 1800 - Structural Steelwork

### Items of Note:

- Responsibility of Main Contractor to carry out due diligence of Steelwork Contractor
- Steelwork Contractor appointed must have an Execution Class equal to that required for the project (EXC3 typically)
- Compliance with IS EN 1090-1 is no small task and places obligations on the steelwork contractor that are onerous and take significant time to put in place
- Steelwork Contractor must demonstrate compliance with the CPR and CE Marking:
  - Factory Production Control (FPC) Certificate – issued by a notified body
  - Welding Certificate – issued by a notified body
  - Declaration of Performance (DoP) – issued by steelwork contractor





# EC Certificate of Factory Production Control

2273 – CPR –

In compliance with Regulation 305/2011/EU of the European Parliament and Council (the Construction Products Regulation) it has been stated that the construction

## Structural Components for Steel

Harmonised	Type / Execution Class of the Construction Product
BS EN 1090-1: 2009 + A1:2011	Load bearing and welded structural steel to EXC 4 according to BS EN 1090-2:2009

placed on the market

## Thompson Project Management

and produced in the factory

Newacre, Athy Road, Co Carlow

This certificate is submitted by the manufacturer to the initial type-testing of the product and further testing of samples taken at the factory in accordance with the requirements of No. 2273 – Steel Construction Certification Scheme Ltd - has performed the factory production control and performs the continuous surveillance of the production control

**Attestation** This certificate attests that all production control described in BS EN 1090-1: 2009 + A1:2011

**Date of first issue** July 2014

**Date of this issue** 19 July 2014

**Date of next Surveillance** by 18 July 2015

**Validity Period** This certificate remains valid in reference to the harmonised standard in reference to the factory or the FPC itself are not modified

Chairman:  
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# Welding Certificate

2273 – WC –

In compliance with I.S. EN 1090-1:2009 This Welding Certificate is only valid in conjunction with the EC-Certificate of the Factory Production Control

**Manufacturer** Thompson

**Facilities of the Manufacturer:** Newacre, Co Carlow

**Standard** I.S. EN 1090-1:2009

**Execution Class** up to EXC 4

**Welding Process(es)** 135 – MAG  
111 – manual

**Base Material(s)** Up to S355  
Up to S355  
Up to S355  
Up to S355

**Responsible Welding Coordinator** Gerry McCann

**Alternate** Willie Doyle

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# Declaration of Performance

Job No. 8003 Newcastlewest Footbridge

**Type:** Welded steel components in accordance with Drawing Nos G1-G3 F1 M1-M35 and Volume A; Works requirement book 1 specification.

**Intended use/s:** Steel structures or composite steel and concrete structures where the components can be made from hot rolled, cold-formed steel. Steel material from which components are made can be in various shapes/profiles e.g. plates, sheet, strip, bars, castings or forgings.

**Manufacturer:** Thompson Project Management Ltd, Newacre, Athy Road, Co Carlow.

**System of assessment and verification of constancy of performance:** System 2+

**Notified Body:** Steel Construction Certification Scheme  
4, Whitehall Court, Westminster  
London, SW1A 2ES

**Notified Body No:** 2273

Steel Construction Certificate Scheme has performed (i) initial inspection of the manufacturing plant and factory product control and (ii) continuous surveillance, assessment and evaluation of factory production control and issued Factory Production Control certificate 2273-CPR-0255 and Welding certificate 2273-CPR-0255-WC.

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



**Series 1800** *(December 2014)* –

**Road Construction Details – Steelwork for Structures** *(RCD/1800/1 to RCD/1800/9)*

## Overview

- RCDs updated to reflect a revised sign clamping detail for each of the groups – ensures future versatility
- RCDs updated to take account of the EuroCodes (all BS references removed)
- RCDs updated to take account of the EuroNorms
- The purpose of the Family Groups is to ensure a consistency of structural form across the network

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 1800 –

### Road Construction Details – Steelwork for Structures (RCD/1800/1 to RCD/1800/9)

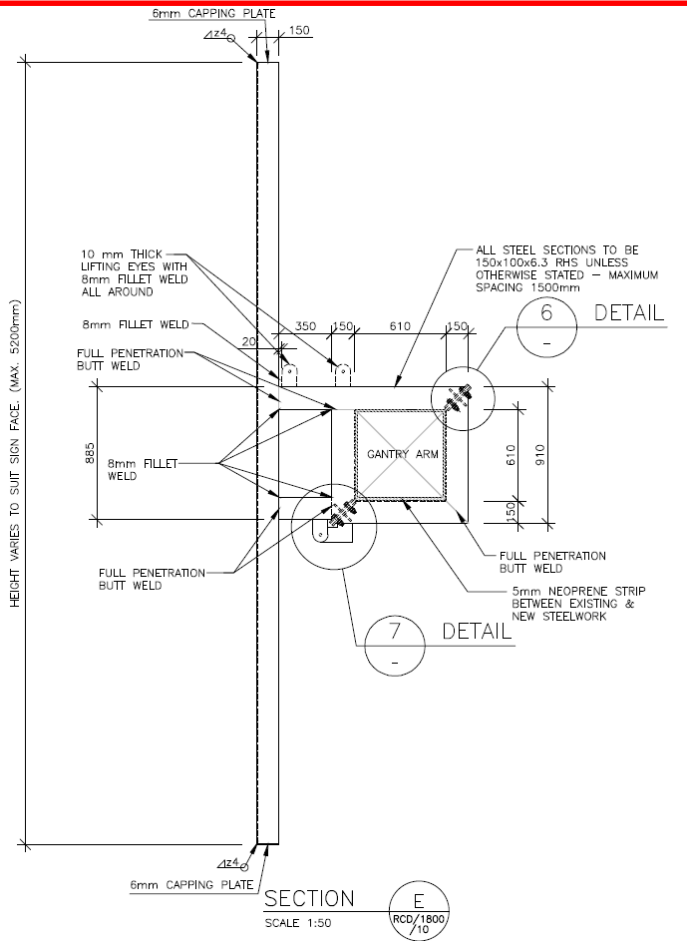
#### Items of Note

- All Gantry's require an independent Design & Check to be undertaken
- All Gantry legs < 4.5m from edge of carriageway shall be designed for impact (regardless of presence of vehicle restraint system)
- All section sizes and details are minimum indicative sizes only
- It is the responsibility of the Designer to avoid clashes of the clamps and steelwork
- A 750mm concrete plinth has been introduced for all Family Groups
- All splices and connections to be fully top coated after assembly - All gaps to be sealed



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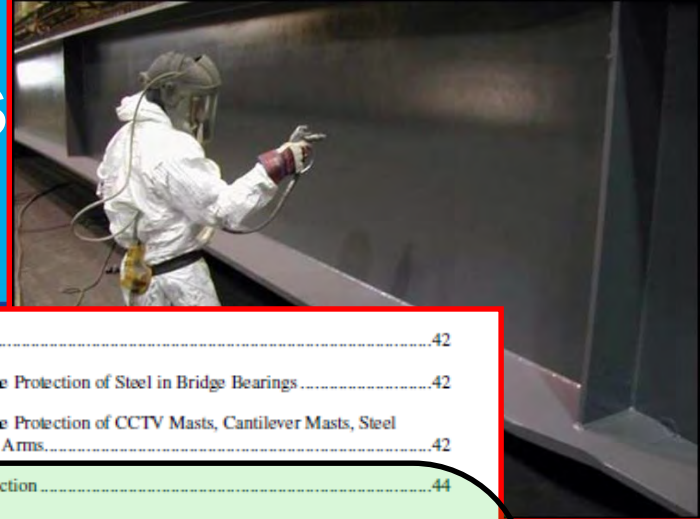
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## Series 1900 *(June 2014)* - *Protection of Steelwork against Corrosion* Overview

- Based on new Highways Agency Series 1900 (rewritten for Ireland)
- Takes account of updates made to NRA BD 35/14 (Quality Assurance Scheme for Paints)
- No changes to maintenance painting clauses (1970 to 1984)
- Compatible with IS EN 1090-2 – Execution of Steel Structures
- Provides guidance to Designers compiling contract specific specifications pertaining to surface preparation and corrosion protection
- Provides guidance to those undertaking the works
- Aim to provide economic safe working life from steel assets

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## PROTECTION OF STEELWORK AGAINST CORROSION

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Main Changes

Maintenance  
Painting  
Section  
Remains



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## Series 1900 - *Protection of Steelwork against Corrosion*

### Items of Note:

- Update of Table 19/1 (Permissible Paint Item Numbers)
  - 2 added / 16 deleted
- Update of Table 19/2B (System Requirements for Bridges)
  - Minimum dft for the system increased from 475 to 525 microns
- Paint Testing **is** Required - CREST is Testing Authority
  - has always been required but not typically undertaken!!
  - 'A' samples (quality assurance) – if >500 litres (previously 1000 litres)
  - 'B' samples (application control) – required in all cases

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 1900 - *Protection of Steelwork against Corrosion*

### Items of Note:

- Independent Painting Inspection Firm Required
  - Shall be employed by the Contractor
  - Inspect & Test all corrosion protection systems in-shop and on-site
  - Personnel – shall be certified painting inspectors (Level 2 Icorr Cert / CIP Level 2)
  - ER must review and approve CVs
  - Inspectors Report required to be submitted to ER within 5 days of inspection
- Thermally sprayed metal coating – excluded from general protection of bridges
- Aluminium – preferred thermally sprayed metal coating (where appropriate – bearings, CCTV masts, lighting columns)
- Zinc metal spray no longer permissible

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## Series 1900 -

II	Steelwork <b>Except</b> Bearings, CCTV Masts, Cantilever Masts, Steel Lighting Columns and Bracket Arms	Difficult Access	High build, quick drying Epoxy (two-pack) system or High Build Glass Flake Epoxy System with an epoxy acrylic, polyurethane or polysiloxane finish.
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Min dry film thickness per coat (µm)	50	125	50 or 100*				
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1. CONTRACT TITLE: M9 Kilcullen Services Area STRUCT Ref. ST02 and ST03				
GRID REF: Refer to Drawings				
2. DATE OF ISSUE OF DOCUMENTS TO TENDERERS: November 2014				
3. ENVIRONMENT AND ACCESSIBILITY		INLAND- DIFFICULT ACCESS		
4. REQUIRED DURABILITY OF SYSTEM <b>NO MAINTENANCE</b> up to 12 years <b>MINOR MAINTENANCE</b> from 12 years <b>MAJOR MAINTENANCE</b> after 20 years		5. COLOUR OF FINISH:  Grey BS 4800 00A09		
6. PAINT SYSTEM TO BE APPLIED OVER: AREA REF: A,D, E AREA DESCRIPTION: Structural Steelwork (for Contract Surface of HSGF. Bolted Joints see Area C) PROTECTIVE SYSTEM TYPE: II				
7. DETAILS	1 <sup>st</sup> Coat	2 <sup>nd</sup> Coat	3 <sup>rd</sup> Coat	
DTp Registered Description	Zinc Phosphate Blast Primer 2 pack	2 Pack Glass Flake Epoxy	2 Pack Polyurethane Finish	
Item No. & Colour	110 - 08 C 35	123 – 11480 (Grey)	169 - 55610	
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## Series 2400 *(December 2013)* - **Brickwork, Blockwork & Stonework**

### Items of Note

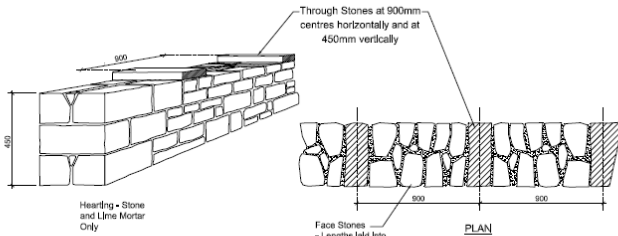
- New Clauses pertaining to the Masonry Repointing of Historic Structures have been added
  - (17) Clauses 2401 to 2416 pertain to brickwork, blockwork & stonework within new construction
  - (16) Clauses 2450 to 2465 pertain to historic structures
- A Lime Mortar shall be used for the repointing of all Historic Structures (and any other structure originally constructed using a lime mortar)
- Series 2400 has been updated to reflect the latest EuroNorms – All outdated British Standards have been removed (e.g. BS 4027 ~ IS EN 197-1)
- A new RCD (RCD/2400/7) pertaining to the Principles of Stonemasonry has been created

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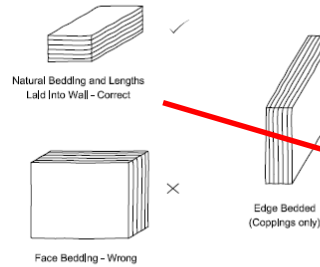
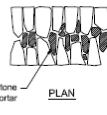


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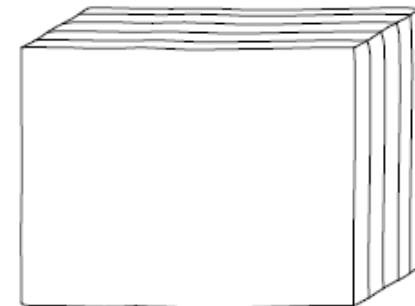
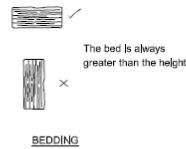
## Series 2400 (December 2013) - Road Construction Details – Walls (RCD/2400/7)



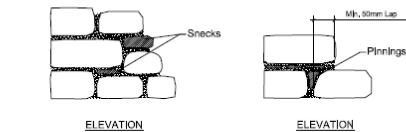
MASONRY WALL DETAIL



Natural Bedding and Lengths  
Laid Into Wall - Correct



Face Bedding - Wrong



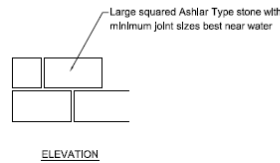
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Rubble Stone - Irregular shapes and sizes of stone with Sneck and Pinnings



ELEVATION



Running - Collar Joint



# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



**Series 2500** (June 2014) -

**Road Construction Details – Special Structures** (RCD/2500/1 to RCD/2500/3)

## Overview

- Concern about poor quality agricultural underpasses being constructed beneath the national road network
- These were typically one off developments and were constructed with little or no consideration to NRA standards (sub-standard)
- Aim to produce a set of RCDs that would inform all parties of key issues to be addressed (prior to any works being undertaken)
- Pulls together all NRA requirements into one location
- An extensive set of drawing notes have been included (RCD/2500/3)

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 2500 -

### Road Construction Details – Special Structures (*RCD/2500/1 to RCD/2500/3*)

#### Items of Note

- Design:
  - Chartered Engineer with previous National Road Design Experience required
  - Prior to Planning Application a TAR must be submitted to the NRA for approval
  - No gabions permitted as part of any earth retention system
  - Eurocodes / EuroNorms & NRA DMRB & NRA MCDRW
- Vehicle Restraint System:
  - In accordance with NRA TD 19 for approach / departure lengths, working widths
- Execution:
  - Road opening licence required from the relevant LA
  - Construction Sequence & Traffic Management to be agreed with LA (and addressed within TAR)

# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW



## Series 2500 -

### **Road Construction Details – Special Structures (RCD/2500/1 to RCD/2500/3)**

#### Items of Note

- Road Safety Audit:
  - Stage 2 & Stage 3 Road Safety Audits required (NRA HD 19)
- Road Reinstatement:
  - Proposals must be approved by the LA prior to any works taking place (condition of the road opening licence)
- Health and Safety:
  - PSDP, PSCS & Risk Assessments required in accordance with Safety, Health & Welfare (Construction) Regulations

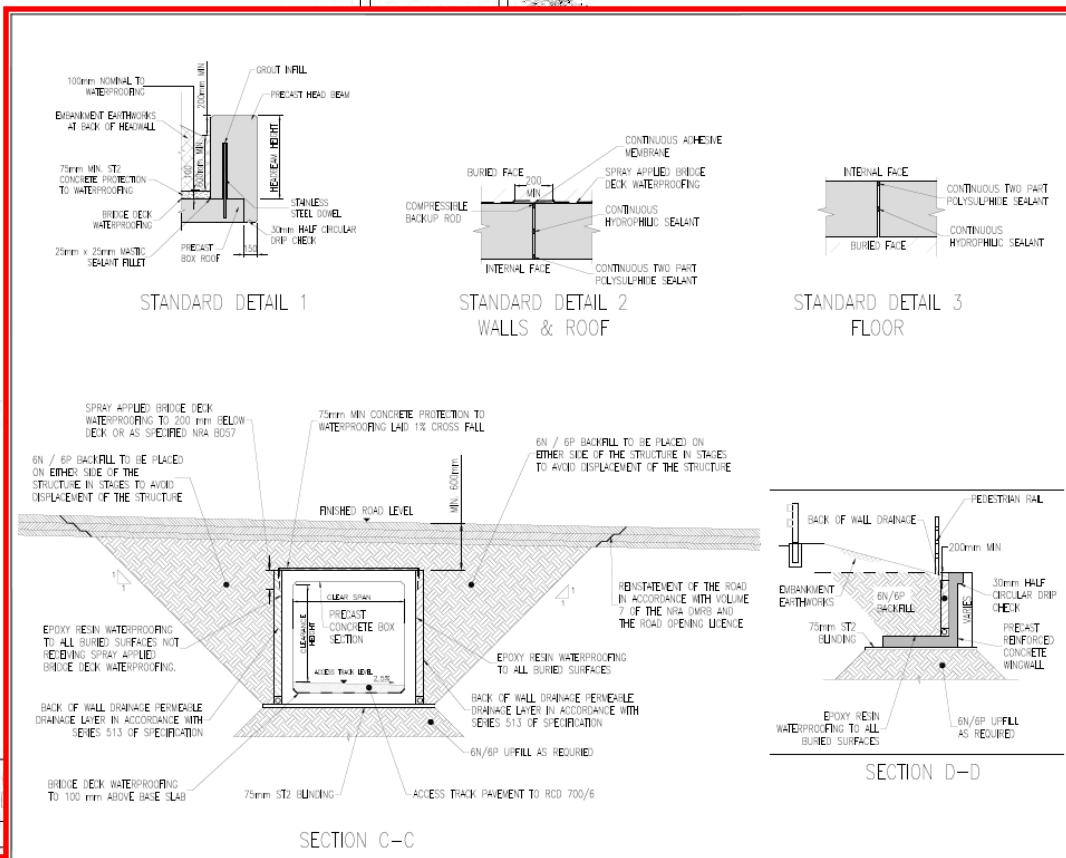


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- NOTE:**
1. REFER TO THE TOP OF THE WALL FOR THE WALL TO BE PROTECTED.
  2. PRECAST CONCRETE HEAD BEAM SHALL BE CAST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RELEVANT STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS.
  3. ALL THE POLYSULPHIDE SEALANT SHALL BE APPLIED TO THE BURIED SURFACES AND THE EXPOSED SURFACES OF THE WALL TO BE PROTECTED.
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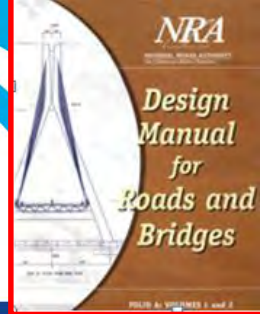
# Structures Specifications – NRA MCDRW

## Look Ahead (Future Work 2015) – 4 new documents planned for 2015

- **NRA Series 2000 Waterproofing for Concrete Structures:**
  - To be rewritten from scratch to suit the Irish market
  - To be reviewed in conjunction with planned update of BD47 & BA47
- **NRA Series 2100 Bridge Bearings:**
  - To be rewritten from scratch to suit the Irish market
  - To be reviewed in conjunction with planned update of BD20
- **NRA Series 2300 Bridge Expansion Joints & Sealing of Gaps:**
  - To be rewritten from scratch to suit the Irish market
  - To be reviewed in conjunction with planned update of BD33 & BA26
- **NRA Series 5500 Structural Concrete Repairs:**
  - No NRA specification pertaining to concrete repair to date
  - To be based upon draft HA Concrete Repair Specification
  - IS EN 1504 Products & Systems for the Protection/Repair of Concrete Structures



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## NRA DMRB

NRA Design Manual for Roads and Bridges

The Volume Contents and Alphanumeric Index document (Volume 0, Section 1, Part 1 of the NRA DMRB) provides a list, volume by volume, of the current documents of the Design and Construction for Roads and Bridges, as implemented in Ireland. It also provides an index in alpha-numeric order.

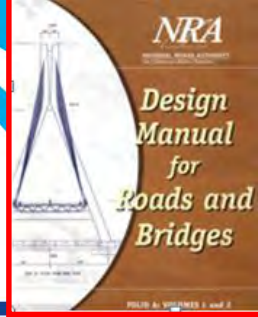
This document is updated regularly and may be used as a check of the current status of the NRA DMRB and the implementation documents.

Title	Folders/Files
<a href="#">Volume 0: Introduction and Contents</a>	(0/5)
<a href="#">Volume 1: Highway Structures: Approval procedures and general design</a>	(0/15)
<a href="#">Volume 2: Highway Structures: Design (Substructures and Special Structures) Materials</a>	(0/37)
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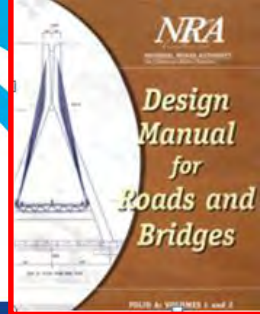
## NRA GD 02 – Volume Contents

### Volume 1 – Structures – Approval Procedures & General Design

#### 11 Documents Withdrawn

Section	Number	Title
1.2.1	BD 36	Evaluation of Maintenance Costs in Comparing Alternative Designs for Highway Structures
1.2.2	BA 28	Evaluation of Maintenance Costs in Comparing Alternative Designs for Highway Structures
1.3.4	BA 40	Tack Welding of Reinforcing Bars
1.3.13	BA 53	Bracing Systems and the Use of U-Frames in Steel Highway Bridges
1.3.14	BD 10	Design of Highway Structures in Areas of Mining Subsidence
1.3	BA 19	The Use of BS 5400: Part 3
1.3	BA 24	Early Thermal Cracking of Concrete
1.3.15	BA 84	Use of Stainless Steel Reinforcement in Highway Structures
1.3	BE 23	Shear Key Decks
1.3	BE 5	Rules for the Design and Use of Freyssinet Concrete Hinges in Highway Structures.
1.3.8	BA 57	Design for Durability

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



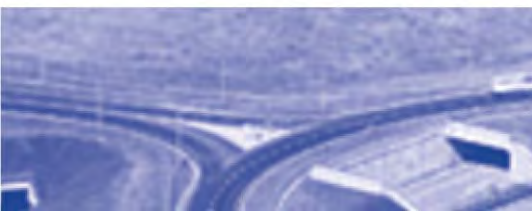
## NRA GD 02 Volume 1

9 documents retained

1 new document added

Standard or Advice Note			NRA Addendum or Standard Dated	UK DMRB Reference Document
DMRB Part	Number	Title		
Section 1: Approval Procedures				
1.1.1A	NRA BD 2*	Technical Approval of Road Structures on Motorways and Other National Roads	January 2009	N/A
Section 2: Other Procedural Documents				
1.2.3	NRA BD 95*	Treatment of Existing Structures on Highway Widening Schemes.	December 2014	N/A
Section 3: General Design				
1.3.5	NRA BD 60*	Use of I.S. EN 1991-1-7 for the Design of Accidental Actions	December 2010	N/A
1.3.6	BA 59	<i>Design of Highway Bridges for Hydraulic Action</i>	-	May 1994
1.3.7	NRA BD 57*	Design for Durability	December 2010	N/A
1.3.11	BA 41	<i>The Design and Appearance of Bridges</i>	-	February 1998
1.3.16	BD 84	Strengthening of Concrete Bridge Supports Using Fibre Reinforced Polymers	December 2002	August 2002
1.3.17	BD 90	<i>Design of FRP Bridges and Highways Structures</i>	-	May 2005
1.3.18	BD 85	<i>Strengthened Highway Structures Using Externally Bonded Fibre Reinforced Polymer</i>	-	November 2008

Table 1: Standards and Advice Notes Available for Use in Ireland





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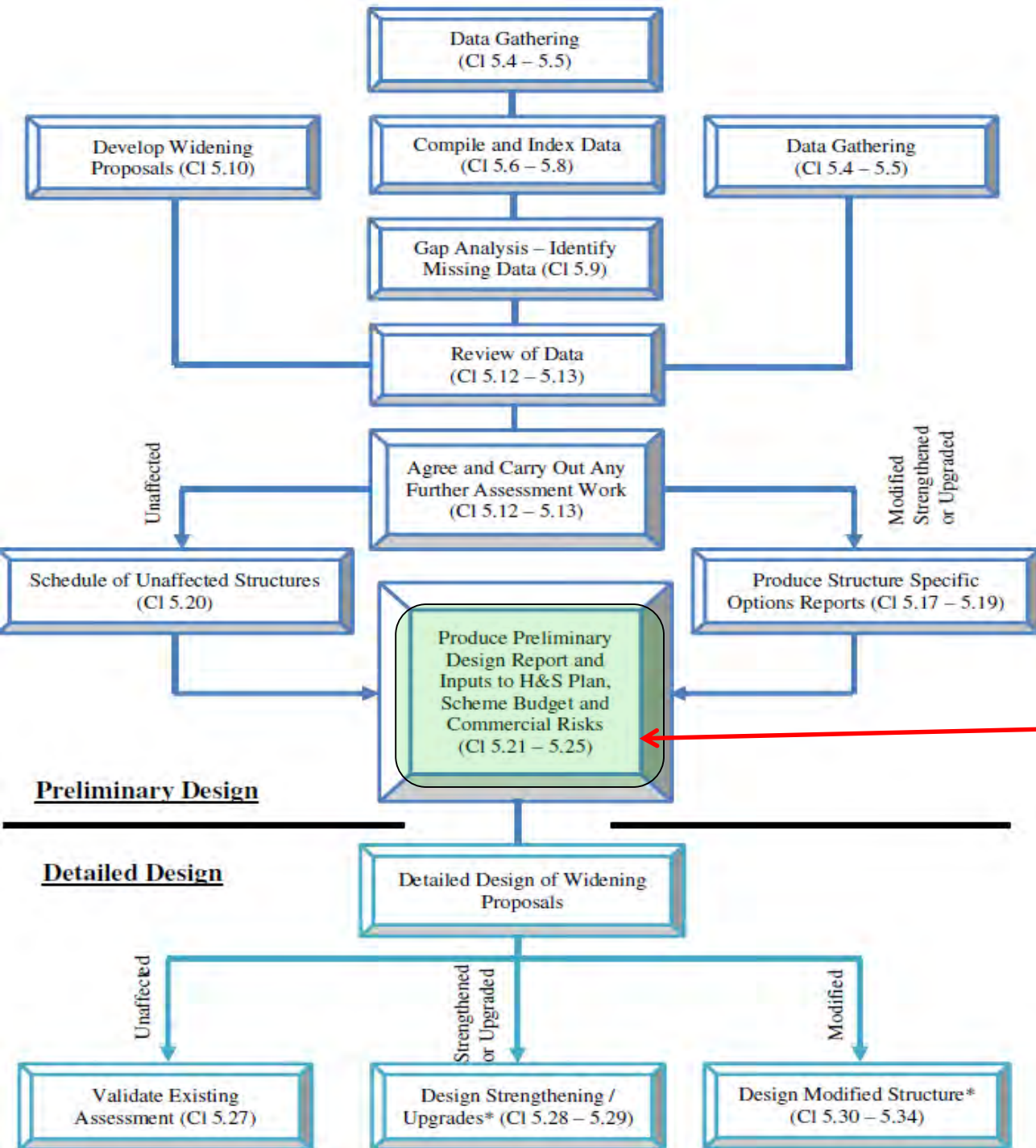


## **NRA BD 95/14** *(Dec 2014)* -

### ***Treatment of Existing Structures on Road Widening Schemes***

#### **Overview**

- Provides requirements for the treatment of existing structures affected by road widening schemes
- Based on HA BD 95/07 (rewritten for Ireland)
- Describes the process to be applied through preliminary & detailed design
- Provides advice to commonly encountered situations (typical current design standard requirements not met by existing structures) – Appendix B
- Reuse as much existing infrastructure as possible where economical to do so (e.g. Departures for existing non-compliances?)
- Clarifies the requirements for Assessment of Existing structures (Review of Existing Assessment Form – REAF – Appendix A)



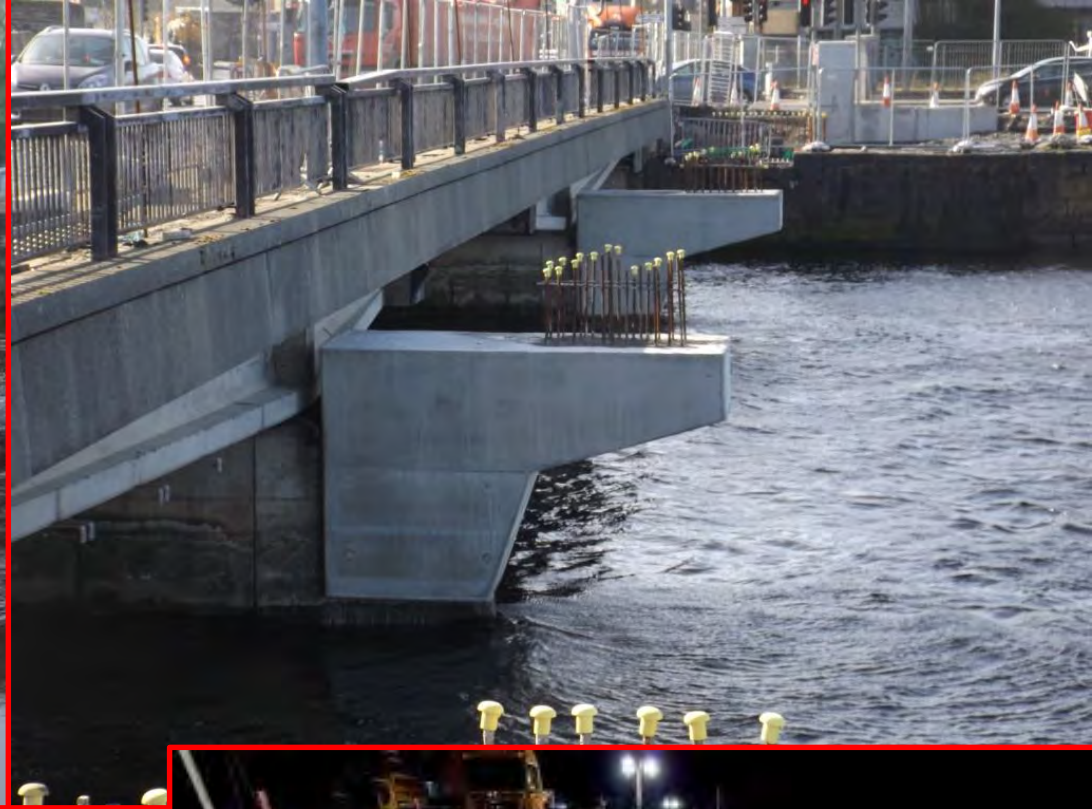
## The Procedure for Dealing with Existing Structures - Process Flow Chart

*Everything should combine to form the Preliminary Design Report (PDR) – this occurs within Phase 1 to 4 of a scheme*

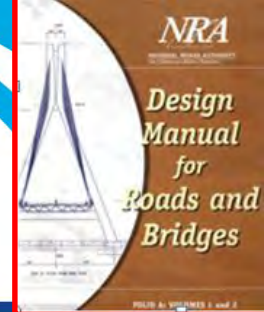
## A.1. Review of Existing Assessment Form (REAF)

1	<b>Structure Details</b>			
	Structure Name	<Structure Name>		
	Eirspan Structure Number	<e.g. KY-N86-021.00>		
	Northing : Easting			
	Date Commissioned	<Date that the structure came into service>		
	Bridge Spans	<Name of road, railway, river etc.>		
	Minimum Headroom	<Minimum headroom>		
	Bridge Carries	<Name of road, railway etc>		
	Brief Description of Structure			
	<i>Give a brief description of the structure including structural type (deck, substructure and foundations). Identify any unusual features or modifications since first constructed.</i>			
2	<b>Existing Assessment Details</b>			
	Inspection for Assessment Date	<Date>	Recorded Condition	<Condition Factor>
	Assessment Date	<Date>	Report Number	<Report Number>
	Assessing Engineer		Company	
	Current Assessed Capacity			
	HA	<eg 40te>	HB	<eg 30HB>
	Parapet	<eg N2 with mesh infill assessed as satisfactory>		
	Pier Impact	<eg Passes to NRA BD 48>		
	Certification	<Record if certificates exist>		
	Calculations	<Record if calculations exist>		
	As built drawings	<Record if as built drawings exist>		
	Comments on Assessment			
	<A brief summary of the assessment method and findings.>			





# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



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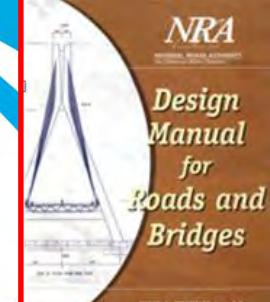
### Volume 2 – Structures – Design & Materials

#### 16 Documents Withdrawn

Section	Number	Title
2.1.1	BD 41	Reinforced Clay Brickwork Retaining Walls of Pocket-Type and Grouted-Cavity Type Construction
2.1.2	BD 42	Design of Embedded Retaining Walls and Bridge Abutments
2.1.3	BD 68	Crib Retaining Walls
2.1.4	BA 68	Crib Retaining Walls
2.1.5	BD 70	Strengthened/Reinforced Soils and Other Fills for Retaining Walls and Bridge Abutments
2.1	BD 30	Backfilled Retaining Walls and Bridge Abutments
2.1.7	BA 80	Use of Rockbolts
2.2.1	BD 26	Design of Lighting Columns
2.2.2	BA 48	Pedestrian Protection at Head Walls, Wing Walls and Retaining Walls
2.2.11	BD 83	Design of CCTV Masts
2.2.13	BD 88	Design of Cantilever Masts for Traffic Signals and/or Speed Cameras
2.3.2	BA 37	Priority Ranking of Existing Parapets
2.3.7	BA 82	Formation of Continuity Joints for Use in Bridge Decks
2.3.9	BA 92	The use of recycled Aggregates in Structural Concrete
2.4.2	BA 27	Quality Assurance Scheme for Paints and Similar Protective Coatings
2.2	BE 7	Departmental Standard (Interim) Motorway Sign/Signal Gantries



# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



Standard or Advice Note			NRA Addendum or Standard Dated	UK DMRB Reference Document
DMRB Part	Number	Title		
Section 2: Special Structures				
2.2.1	NRA BD 94*	Design of Minor Structures	December 2014	N/A
2.2.4	NRA BD 51*	Design Criteria for Portal and Cantilever Sign/Signal Gantries	December 2014	N/A
2.2.5	BD 65	Design Criteria for Collision Protection Beams	-	February 1997
2.2.6	BD 12	Design of Corrugated Steel Buried Structures with Spans Greater Than 0.9 Metres and up to 8 Metres (and Correction, February 2002)	December 2002	November 2001
2.2.7	BD 67	Enclosure of Bridges	December 2000	August 1996
2.2.8	BA 67	Enclosure of Bridges	-	August 1996
2.2.8	BD 29	Design Criteria for Footbridges	July 2004	August 2004
2.2.8A	NRA TD 19*	Safety Barriers (including Amendment No. 1, dated December 2014)	June 2014	N/A
2.2.9	BD 78	Design of Road Tunnels	December 2000	August 1999
2.2.10	BD 82	Design of Buried Rigid Pipes	December 2000	August 2000
2.2.14	BD 91	Unreinforced Masonry Arch Bridges	-	November 2004
Section 3: Materials and Components				
2.3.1	BD 20	Bridge Bearings. Use of BS 5400: Part 9: 1983	December 2000	October 1992
2.3.3	NRA BD 52*	The Design of Road Bridge Parapets	March 2013	N/A
2.3.4	BD 47	Waterproofing and Surfacing of Concrete Bridge Decks	December 2000	August 1999
2.3.5	BA 47	Waterproofing and Surfacing of Concrete Bridge Decks	-	August 1999
2.3.6	BD 33	Expansion Joints for Use in Highway Bridge Decks	December 2000	November 1994

Table 2: Standards and Advice Notes Available for Use in Ireland

Standard or Advice Note			NRA Addendum or Standard Dated	UK DMRB Reference Document
DMRB Part	Number	Title		
2.3.7	BA 26	Expansion Joints for Use in Highway Bridge Decks	-	November 1994
2.3	BA 36	The Use of Permeated Formwork	-	February 1991
2.3.8	BD 7	Weathering Steel for Highway Structures	December 2002	November 2001
Section 4: Paints and Other Protective Coatings				
2.4.1	NRA BD 35*	Quality Assurance Scheme for Paints and Similar Protective Coatings (and Errata Sheet, February 2000)	June 2014	-
2.4	BD 43	Criteria and Materials for the Impregnation of Concrete Highway Structures <i>[Note: BD 4390 has been superseded in the UK by BD 4303, but BD 4390 is still valid in Ireland.]</i>	December 2000	April 1990
2.4.3	BA 85	Coatings for Concrete Highway Structures and Ancillary Structures	-	May 2004

Table 2 Continued: Standards and Advice Notes Available for Use in Ireland

## NRA GD 02 Volume 2

19 documents retained  
3 new documents added



# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## **NRA BD 94/14** *(Dec 2014)* - *Design of Support Structures for Roadside Furniture*

### Overview

- Replaces NRA Addendums to BD26 (Design of Lighting Columns); BD83 (Design of CCTV Masts); & BD88 (Design of Cantilever Masts for Traffic Signals and/or Speed Cameras)
- Standalone NRA BD - Covers the design of support structures for roadside furniture (Lighting Columns; Masts to support CCTV, Traffic Signals, Speed Cameras; Traffic Signs)
- It incorporates the provisions of IS EN 40 (Lighting Columns) & IS EN 12899 (Fixed Vertical Road Traffic Signs)
- To be used when designing a support structure from first principles (typically these support structures are supplied as proprietary products – off the shelf)
- All proprietary products should be checked for compliance with this standard

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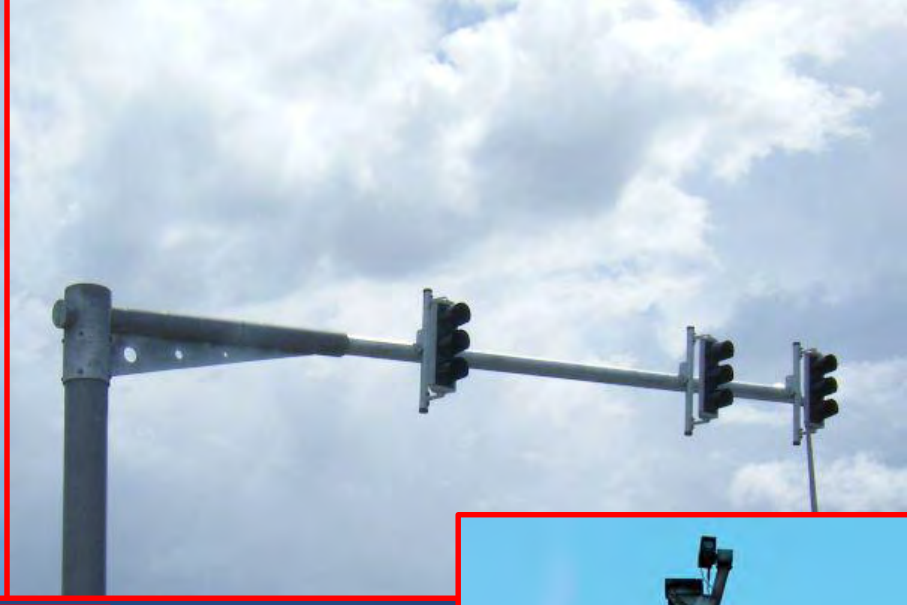


## **NRA BD 94/14** *(Dec 2014)* -

### ***Design of Support Structures for Roadside Furniture***

#### **Items of Note:**

- Foundations (Chapter 11) – Support Structures typically off the shelf but foundations responsibility of Design Engineer
- A TAR is required for certain minor structures (e.g. High Masts for lighting or cameras) in accordance with NRA BD2 (CAT 1)
- All design shall be in accordance with the Eurocodes
- Design Working Life (Cl 5.2) shall be in compliance with IS EN 1990 – Working Life Category 3 (up to 50 years for masts supporting lighting columns / traffic signals) & Working Life Category 4 (50-120 years for high mast lighting)
- Fatigue Criteria (Cl 5.10 – 5.16) – dependent on geometrical configuration & fabrication





# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## **NRA BD 51/14** *(Dec 2014)* - **Portal and Cantilever Sign / Signal Gantries** **Overview**

- Replaces NRA Addendum to HA BD51/98 (17 years old)
- Based on new Highways Agency BD51/14 (rewritten for Ireland)
- Sets out the structural design requirements for Gantries (in terms of the EuroCodes)
- Updated to comply with the EuroCodes & EuroNorms (removal of obsolete references)
- Linked to the Series 1800 RCDs (Gantry groups 1 to 5) – all plate sizes are minimum sizes (prohibited to reduce plate / weld sizes)
- Relevant to any sign structure that cantilevers out over the carriageway / hard shoulder
- Identification Plates shall be attached to each new structure

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## NRA BD 51/14 -

### *Portal and Cantilever Sign / Signal Gantries*

#### Items of Note

- 60 year design life for gantry structures
- 5.8m vertical clearance required
- The limiting Structural Deformations (serviceability limit state) for gantries (Table 3.1) specified within BD51/98 have been retained
- Vehicle impact loading specified is similar to that stated within the NA to IS EN 1991-1-7
- The combined effects of axial compression / tension; torsion & biaxial bending must be checked
- Must check if a gantry is dynamically sensitive
- Supports within 4.5m of carriageway – must design for impact (regardless of VRS)

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## **NRA BD 35/14** (June 2014) - **Quality Assurance Scheme for Paints and similar Protective Coatings**

BD 35/14

### QUALITY ASSURANCE SCHEME FOR PAINTS AND SIMILAR PROTECTIVE COATINGS

#### Contents

#### Chapter

1. Introduction
2. Quality Assurance Scheme
3. Description of Manual of Paints
4. Testing of Contract Paint Samples
5. References
6. Enquiries

Appendix A - Manual of Paints for Structural Steelwork

Appendix B - Additional Test Clauses to BS 3900

Appendix C - Standards Referenced in Appendix A

- Provides details of the quality assurance scheme for paints
- Provides Specifiers; Designers; & Supervisors of works guidance on the operation of the quality assurance scheme for paints
- Provides Manufacturers; Certifiers; & Testers of paints with paint material requirements



# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## **NRA BD 35/14 - *Quality Assurance Scheme for Paints and similar Protective Coatings***

- Replaces NRA addendum to BD 35/99 – completely outdated (16 years old)
- Based on Highways Agency BD35/14 (rewritten for Ireland)
- Updated Appendix A – Manual of Paints for Structural Steelwork
- Provides data on paints permitted for use on NRA painting contracts
- 2 items added (Item No. 109, 167)
- 16 items deleted (Item No. 14, 32, 35, 47, 50, 70, 74, 124, 132, 133, 134, 135, 141, 150, 151, 156)
- Changes based on extensive research programme conducted in UK
- Developed in conjunction with industry
- Balance of performance v cost v traffic disruption on national roads
- For maintenance painting – refer to NRA BD 87 & contract specific requirements

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## **NRA BD 35/14 - Quality Assurance Scheme for Paints and similar Protective Coatings**

### Quality Assurance Scheme

#### 1. Certification of Paints

- BBA HAPAS (or equivalent) required for all paint systems ([www.bbacerts.co.uk](http://www.bbacerts.co.uk))
- Ensures required level of corrosion protection
- Certification must be submitted to ER for approval

#### 2. Testing of 'A' and 'B' samples

- Requirements specified in Series 1900
- Independent Testing Authority – CREST (or equivalent)







HAPAS Certificate  
**07/H124**  
Product Sheet 7

**PAINTS FOR CORROSION PROTECTION OF STRUCTURAL STEELWORK IN HIGHWAY APPLICATIONS**

**SIGMADUR 540 – TO HA ITEM NO. 167**

This HAPAS Certificate is issued by the British Board of Agrément (BBA), supported by the Highways Agency (HA) (acting on behalf of the overseeing organisations of the Department for Transport, Transport Scotland; the Welsh Assembly Government and the Department for Regional Development, Northern Ireland), the Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport (ADEPT), the Local Government Technical Advisers' Group and industry bodies. HAPAS Agrément Certificates are normally each subject to a review every five years.

**PRODUCT SCOPE AND SUMMARY OF CERTIFICATE**

This Certificate relates to SigmaDur 540, a two-pack, glass, epoxy acrylic topcoat for use as an anti-corrosion coating as part of a specification for the corrosion protection of structural steelwork in Highway Applications, in accordance with the Manual of Contract Documents for Highway Works, Volumes 1 and 2, where Item No. 167 is specified.

**HAPAS CERTIFICATION INCLUDES:**

- factors relating to compliance with HAPAS requirements
- factors relating to compliance with Regulations where applicable
- independently verified technical specification
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- design considerations
- installation guidance
- regular surveillance of production
- formal five-yearly review



**KEY FACTORS ASSESSED**

**Corrosion resistance** – a complete paint system incorporating the product, when applied in accordance with this Certificate, will provide satisfactory resistance to corrosion of the substrate steel (see section 6).

**Durability** – a complete paint system, based on the product described in this Certificate, can be expected to perform satisfactorily for a period greater than 15 years before its first major maintenance (see section 8).

The BBA has awarded this HAPAS Certificate to the company named above for the product described herein. This product has been assessed by the BBA as being fit for its intended use provided it is installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate.

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

Simon Wroe  
Head of Approvals – Materials

Greg Cooper  
Chief Executive

Date of First Issue: 31 May 2012

The BBA is a UKAS accredited certification body – Number 112. The schedule of the current scope of accreditation for product certification is available in pdf format via the UKAS link on the BBA website at [www.bba.org.uk](http://www.bba.org.uk)

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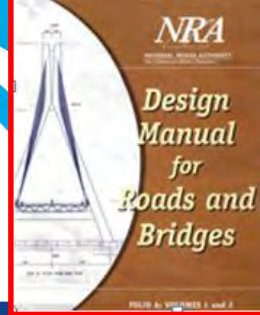
**and similar Protective Coatings**

<b>Item No. 167</b>	
<b>REGISTERED DESCRIPTION:</b>	Epoxy Acrylic Finish (two-pack)
<b>COLOURS:</b>	As the manufacturer's declared colour given with reference to BS 4800 and/or BS 381C where appropriate
<b>E:</b>	As a decorative semi-gloss finish for new works or maintenance
<b>DFT FILM THICKNESS (dft in µm):</b>	Dft range: As described in the manufacturer's data sheet.
<b>INSTALLATION AND METHOD OF APPLICATION:</b>	NB / AS or B*
<b>COMPOSITION:</b>	
<b>Pigment Volume Concentration (%):</b>	As described in manufacturer's declared formulation
<b>Pigment:</b>	Rutile Titanium Dioxide (IS EN ISO 591-1:2000) and tinting pigments as described in the manufacturer's declared formulation
<b>Medium:</b>	Carboxy functional styrene acrylic with separately packed liquid epoxy resin cure agent, as described in the manufacturer's declared formulation
<b>Volatile:</b>	As described in manufacturer's declared formulation.
<b>Mixing Properties</b>	As described in manufacturer's declared formulation.

\* May be brush applied to small areas only



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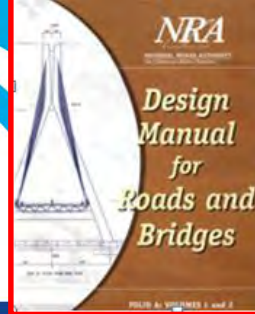


## NRA DMRB Volume 2 – Structures: Design & Materials

**Look Ahead (Future Work 2015)** – 4 new documents planned

1. New NRA BD - Expansion Joints
  - **BD33 *Expansion Joints for Use in Highway Bridge Decks* + BA47 *Expansion Joints for Use in Highway Bridge Decks***
2. New NRA BD – Hydrophobic Pore Liner / Coatings
  - **BD43 *Criteria and Materials for the Impregnation of Concrete Highway Structures* + BA 85 *Coatings for Concrete Highways Structures & Ancillary Structures***
3. New NRA BD – Waterproofing & Surfacing
  - **BD47 *Waterproofing & Surfacing of Concrete Bridge Decks* + BA47 *Waterproofing & Surfacing of Concrete Bridge Decks***
4. New NRA BD – Bridge Bearings
  - **BD20 *Bridge Bearings: Use of BS 5400 Part 9 (1983)***

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



Standard or Advice Note			NRA Addendum or Standard Dated	UK DMRB Reference Document
DMRB Part	Number	Title		
Section 1: Inspection				
3.1.1	NRA BD 54*	Management of Post Tensioned Concrete Bridges	June 2014	-
3.1.2	NRA BA 50*	Post-tensioned Concrete Bridges - Planning, Organisation and Methods for Carrying Out Special Inspections	June 2014	-
3.1.3	NRA BA 93*	Structural Assessment of Bridges with Deck Hinges	June 2014	-
3.1.4	NRA BA 86*	Advice Notes on the Non-destructive Testing of Road Structures	June 2014	-
Section 2: Maintenance				
3.2.1	NRA BD 87*	Maintenance Painting of Steelwork	June 2014	-
3.2.4	BD 89	<i>The Conservation of Highways Structures</i>		November 2003
Section 3: Repair				
3.3.1	NRA BA 43*	Strengthening, Repair and Monitoring of Post-tensioned Concrete Bridge Decks	June 2014	-
3.3.2	BD 27	<i>Materials for the Repair of Concrete Highway Structures</i>		November 1986
3.3.3	NRA BA 35*	Inspection and Repair of Concrete Road Structures	June 2014	-
3.3.4	NRA BA 83*	Cathodic Protection for Use in Reinforced Concrete Road Structures	June 2014	-
3.3.5	NRA BA 87*	Management of Corrugated Steel Buried Structures	June 2014	-
3.3.6	NRA BA 88*	Management of Buried Concrete Box Structures	June 2014	-

Table 3: Standards and Advice Notes Available for Use in Ireland

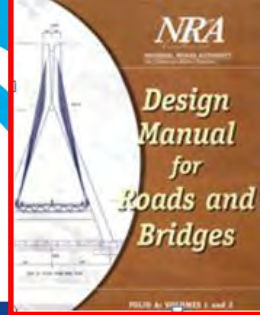
## NRA GD 02 Volume Contents Volume 3 Structures – Inspection & Maintenance

*Until recently Volume 3 was not formally implemented – background reading only*

### 41 Documents Added:

- Section 1 Inspection – 4
- Section 3 Repair - 5

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



Standard or Advice Note			NRA Addendum or Standard Dated	UK DMRB Reference Document
DMRB Part	Number	Title		
Section 4: Assessment				
3.4.1	NRA BD 21*	The Assessment of Road Bridges and Structures (including Erratum No. 1, dated December 2014)	June 2014	-
3.4.2	NRA BA 16*	The Assessment of Road Bridges and Structures.	June 2014	-
3.4.3	NRA BA 38*	Assessment of the Fatigue Life of Corroded or Damaged Reinforcing Bars	June 2014	-
3.4.4	NRA BA 39*	Assessment of Reinforced Concrete Half-joints	June 2014	-
3.4.5	NRA BD 48*	The Assessment and Strengthening of Road Bridge Supports	June 2014	-
3.4.6	NRA BA 54*	Load Testing for Bridge Assessment	June 2014	-
3.4.7	NRA BA 55*	The Assessment of Bridge Substructures and Foundations, Retaining Walls and Buried Structures	June 2014	-
3.4.8	NRA BA 52*	The Assessment of Concrete Road Structures Affected by Alkali Silica Reaction	June 2014	-
3.4.9	NRA BD 56*	The Assessment of Steel Road Bridges and Structures	June 2014	-
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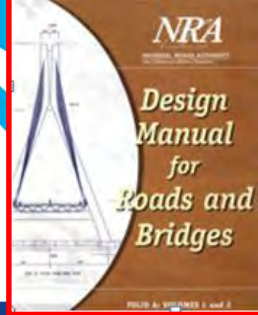
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**41 Documents Added:**

• **Section 4 Assessment – 16**



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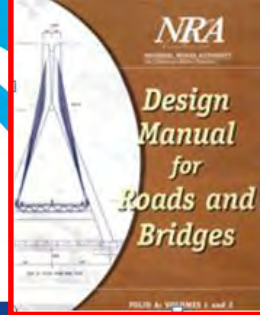
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3.5.7	NRA BD 28*	Early Thermal Cracking of Concrete [and Amendment No. 1, 1989]	June 2014	-
3.5.8	NRA BD 31*	The design of buried concrete box and portal frame structures	June 2014	-
3.5.9	NRA BD 37*	Loads for highway bridges	June 2014	-
3.5.10	NRA BA 42*	The Design of Integral Bridges	June 2014	-
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3.5.16	NRA BA 24*	Early Thermal Cracking of Concrete	December 2014	-

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### 41 Documents Added:

•Section 5 Standards & Advice Notes superseded by Eurocodes but required for assessment – **16**

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## NRA DMRB Volume 3 – Structures: Inspection & Maintenance

Look Ahead (Future Work 2015) – 9 new documents planned

1. NRA BD 300 *EIRSPAN – Inventory Manual*
2. NRA BD 301 *EIRSPAN – Principle Inspection*
3. NRA BD 302 *EIRSPAN – Routine Inspection*
4. NRA BD 303 *The Stage I Structural Assessment of Road Structures*
5. NRA BD 304 *The Stage II Structural Assessment of Road Structures*
6. NRA BD 89 *The Conservation of Road Structures*
7. NRA BD 27 *The Protection and Repair of Concrete Road Structures*
8. NRA BD 97 *The Assessment of Scour and other Hydraulic Actions at Road Structures*
9. NRA BD 86 *The Assessment of Road Bridges & Structures for the Effects of Abnormal & Exceptional Abnormal Load Vehicles using SV & SOV Load Models*

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



**NRA BD 86/15** (March 2015) -

***The Assessment of Road Bridges & Structures for the Effects of Abnormal & Exceptional Abnormal Load Vehicles using SV & SOV Load Models***

## ***What is it?:***

- A standard to assess bridges for the effects of abnormal vehicles (in combination with the effects of C&U vehicles and permanent loads)
- Provides requirements on how to determine the “Vehicle Rating” and “Reserve Factor” for a particular structure

## ***When would you use it?:***

- As directed by NRA BD 101 (significant deterioration)
- In the management of Abnormal Vehicle movements
- And as agreed with the structures section of the NRA



# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## NRA BD 86/15 -

*The Assessment of Road Bridges & Structures for the Effects of Abnormal & Exceptional Abnormal Load Vehicles using SV & SOV Load Models*

**What benefits does it provide?**

- More realistic abnormal load models (v HB Load Model)
- Attainment of higher load capacity ratings (particularly for spans < 10m)
- Flexibility to modify Overload Factor & Dynamic Amplification Factor







**Exceptional Abnormal Loads**  
~ SOV 250 to SOV 600



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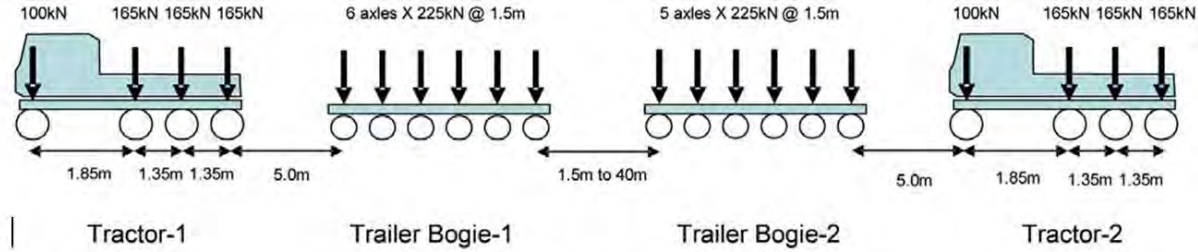


**Abnormal Loads**  
~ SV 80 to 196

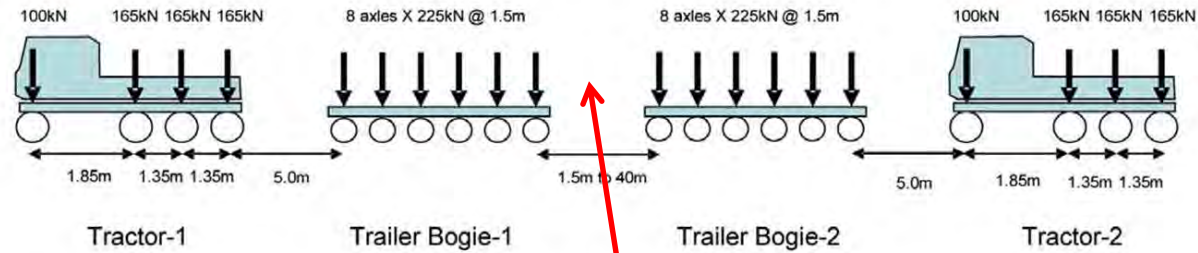




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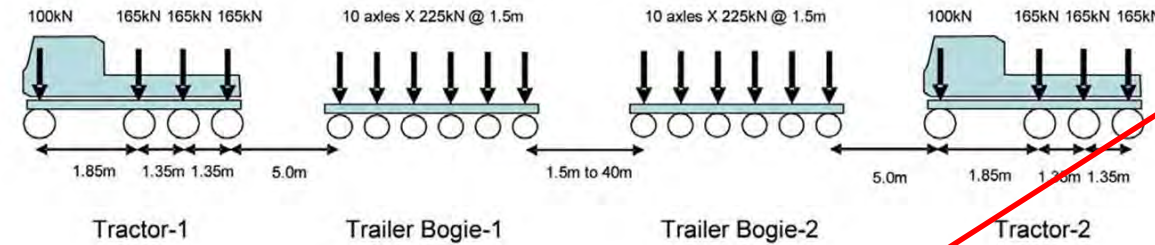
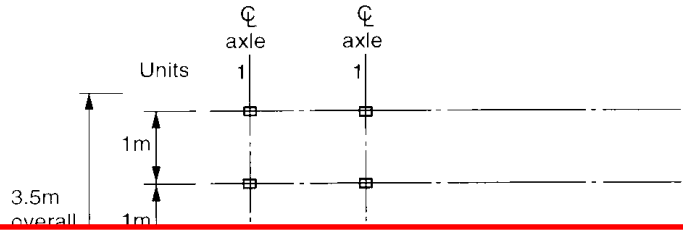
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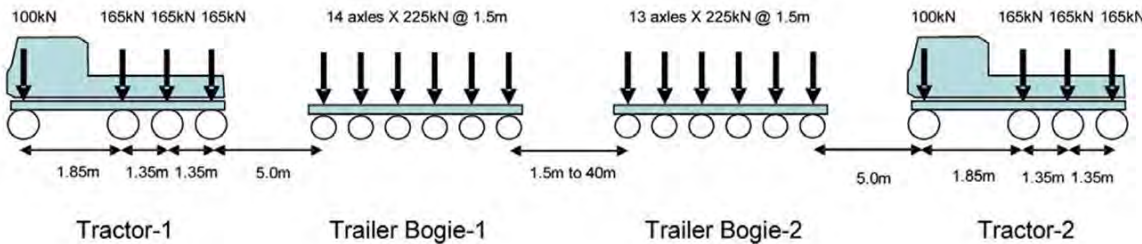
(b) SOV-350 Load Model

**SOV Load Models**  
**SV196 Load Model**

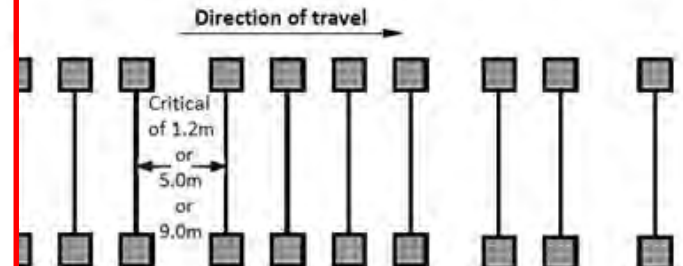
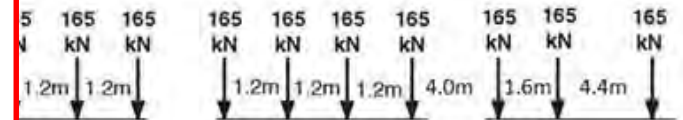
## NRA BD 86/15 Abnormal & Exceptional Ab



(c) SOV-450 Load Model



(d) SOV-600 Load Model



Vehicle width = overall track width

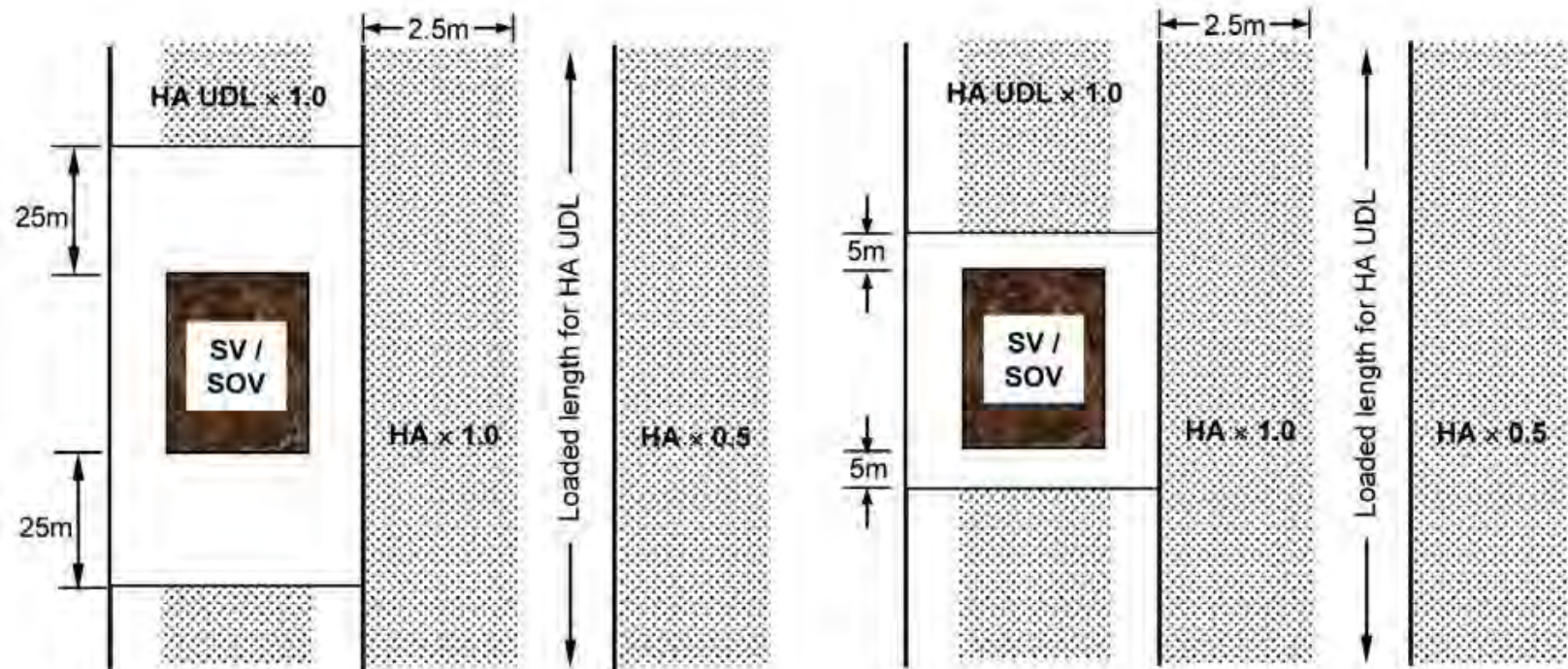


# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## NRA BD 86/15 -

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(a) Vehicle at 'normal' speed

(b) Vehicle at 'low' speed

# Structures Standards – NRA DMRB



## NRA BD 86/15

**-Reserve Factors – ability of a bridge to carry an abnormal load model**

**-Capacity/Demand Ratio > 1.0**

### Vehicle Assessment

Structure Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Structure Key: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Type+: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Speed+: Normal / Low

Method of assessment: (Line Beam / Grillage / FEM / Other (state)) \_\_\_\_\_

Limit State+: SLS / ULS

+ Delete as appropriate

Element	Location of Structure	Load Effect	$R_A^*$	$S^*$	$S_D^*$	$S_{HA}^*$	$\Psi_{SV}$	$\Psi_{SOV}$	$\Psi^*_{SV}$	$\Psi^*_{SOV}$

$$\Psi_{SV} \text{ or } \Psi_{SOV} = \frac{R_A^* - (S_D^* + S_{HA}^*)}{S^*}$$

Table 3.2: Reserve Factors

# The Evolving EuroCodes



## History

- 10 EuroCode standards (58 individual parts)
  - developed between late 1970s and 2010
  - so took about 30 years to develop
- Introduced in 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010
  - design to Eurocodes becomes mandatory (CEN)
  - withdrawal of conflicting national codes
- Now 2015 (5 year review) - need to evolution to ensure:
  - remain current
  - fit for purpose





# The Evolving EuroCodes



## History

- European Commission (Dec 2012) – Mandate M/515
  - request CEN to develop a detailed work programme for the future activities of CEN/TC250
- CEN/TC250 respond to EC:
  - May 2013 – 138 page document
  - Over 1000 experts across Europe involved in response
  - 77 discrete tasks (evolving)
  - **“Towards a second generation of EN Eurocodes”**
  - 5 year Programme (2015 – 2020)
  - €10 Million Budget

# The Evolving EuroCodes



## Towards a second generation of EN EuroCodes

1. Improve the existing codes (make them easier to use)
  - Feedback from practitioners – systematic reviews
  - Improve the clarity - Enhance User friendliness
  - Simply routes through the codes
  - Reduce the amount of national variation (NDPs)
  - Reduce number of alternate design methods
  - Remove rules of little practical use
  - Substantial additions required
  - Incorporate new state of the art
  - Needs of the market



## Towards a second generation of EN EuroCodes

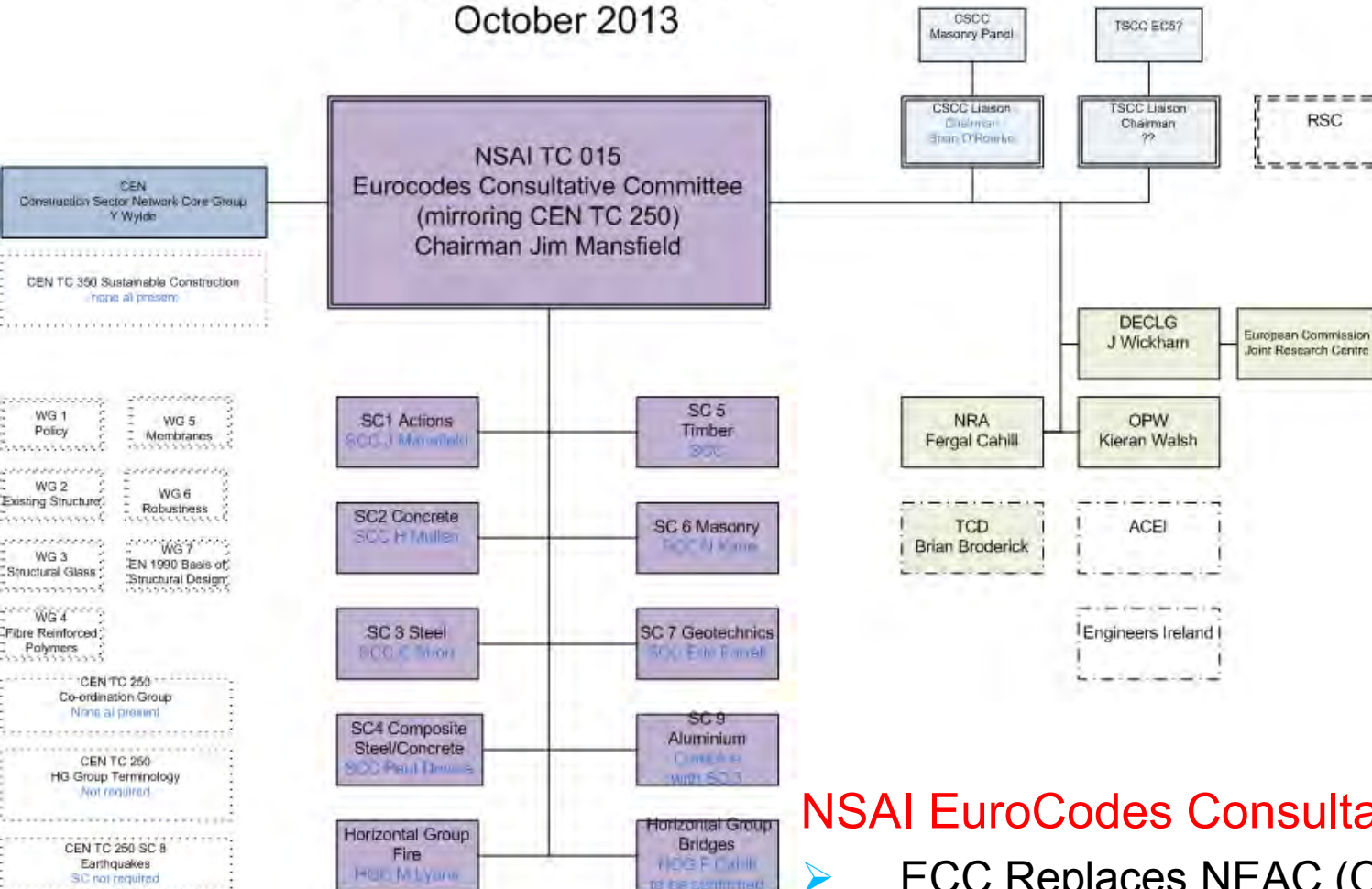
### 2. Develop new codes

- Existing Structures & Assessment (WG2)
  - JRC Policy Report – “New European Technical Rules for the Assessment & Retrofitting of Existing Structures”
  - <http://eurocodes.jrc.ec.europa.eu/showpublication.php?id=535>
  - Purpose is to stimulate debate – NOT for use
  - Comments required by 9<sup>th</sup> September 2015
- Structural Glass (WG3)
- Fibre Reinforced Polymers (WG4)
- Membrane Structures (WG5)
- Robustness (WG6)



# Eurocodes Consultative Committee Structure and Membership October 2013

**EUROCODES**  
BUILDING THE FUTURE



## NSAI EuroCodes Consultative Committee

- ECC Replaces NEAC (Oct 2013)
- NSAI TC 015 – mirrors CEN/TC250
- ECC Advises NSAI on all things EuroCodes

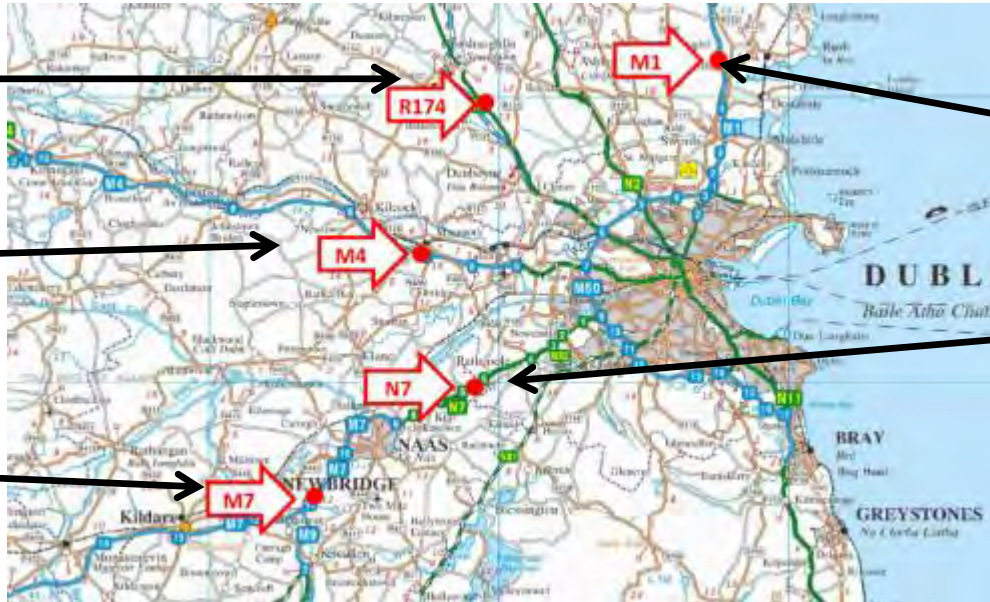
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Site #2  
Black Bull,  
Meath

Site #3  
Maynooth,  
Kildare

Site #4  
Lewinstown,  
Kildare



Site #1  
Donabate, Dublin

Site #6  
Citywest South,  
Dublin



Site #5  
Gorey, Wexford





# NRA Weigh-In-Motion (WIM)



Camera's

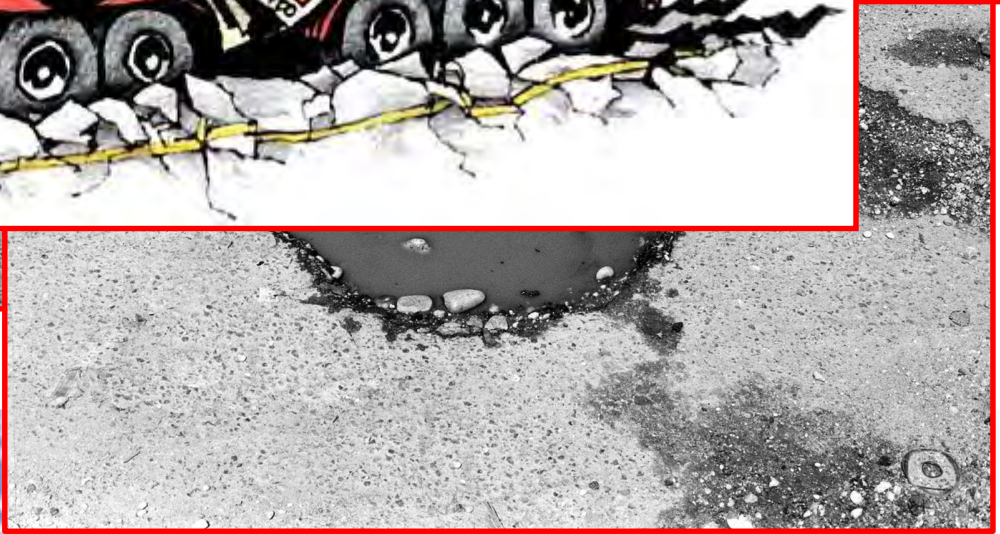
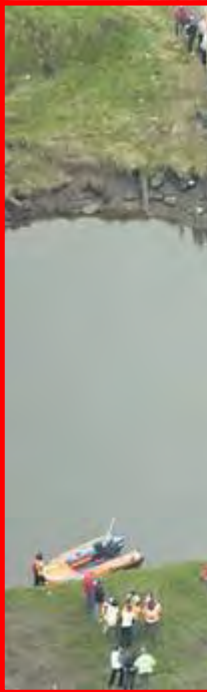
Traffic Loops

WIM Sensors

Control Cabinet



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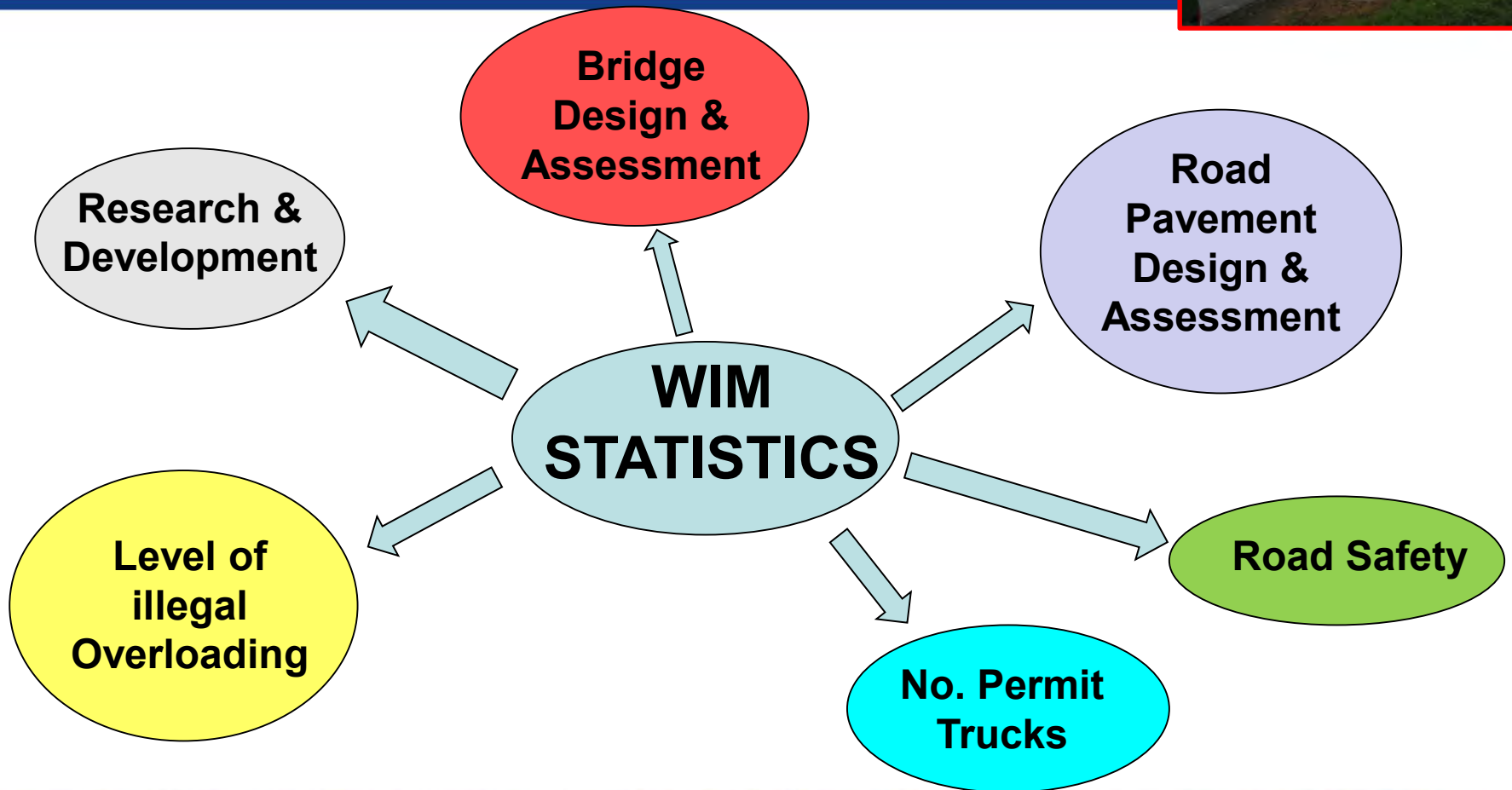
# NRA Weigh-In-Motion (WIM)



- **We're blind** – The NRA have no HCV loading / overload Network Indicators
- Overloaded Trucks / Axles cause a lot of damage to Roads & Bridges
- The relationship between axle weight & pavement damage is not linear
- 4<sup>th</sup> Power Law - Overloaded Axles cause exponential damage to pavements
- Initial NRA focus – determine the state of truck loading on National Primary's
- Knowledge facilitates more efficient management & maintenance
- Need a couple of years of good data prior to any detailed analysis being conducted (.....12 months so far)

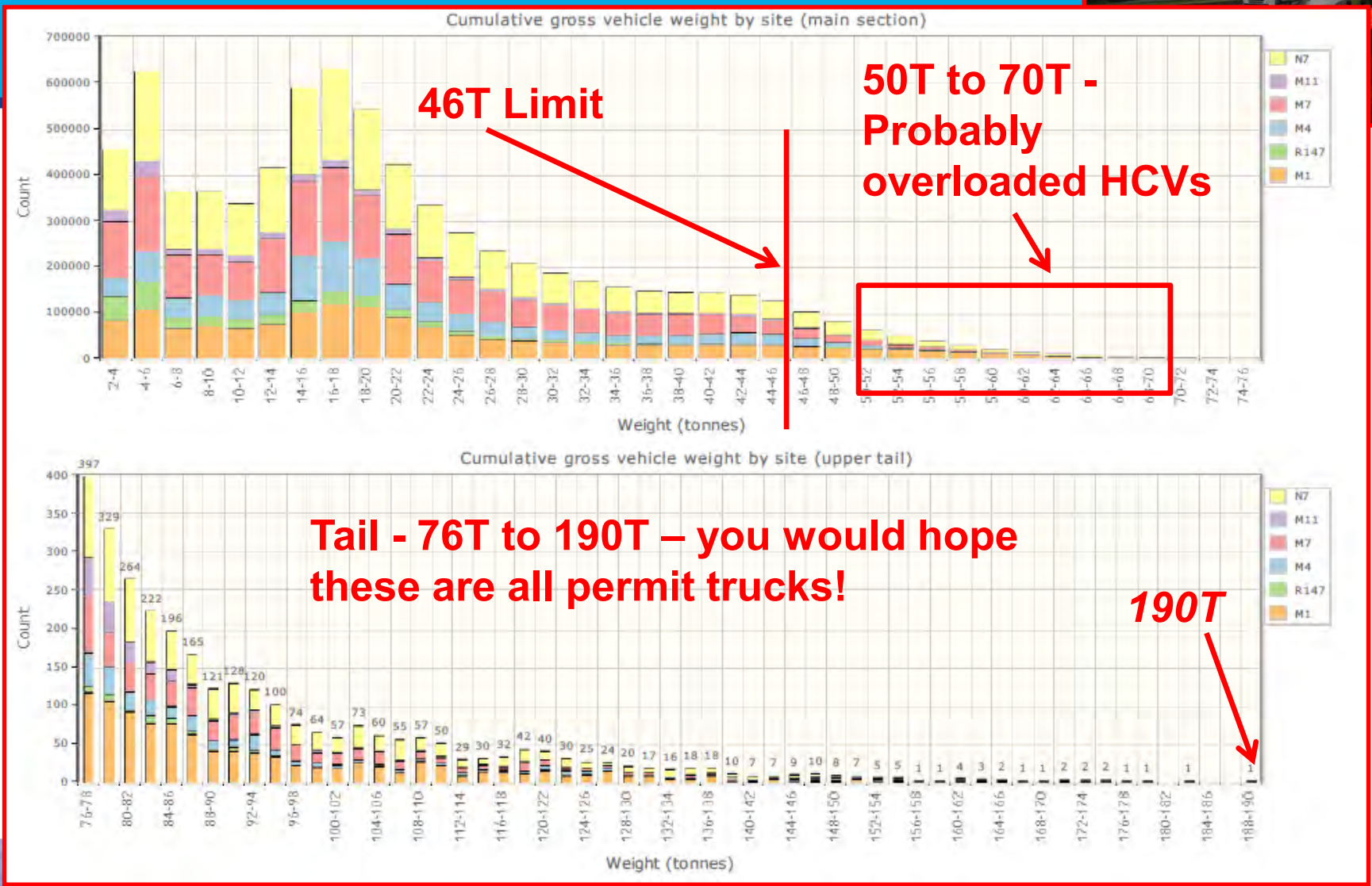


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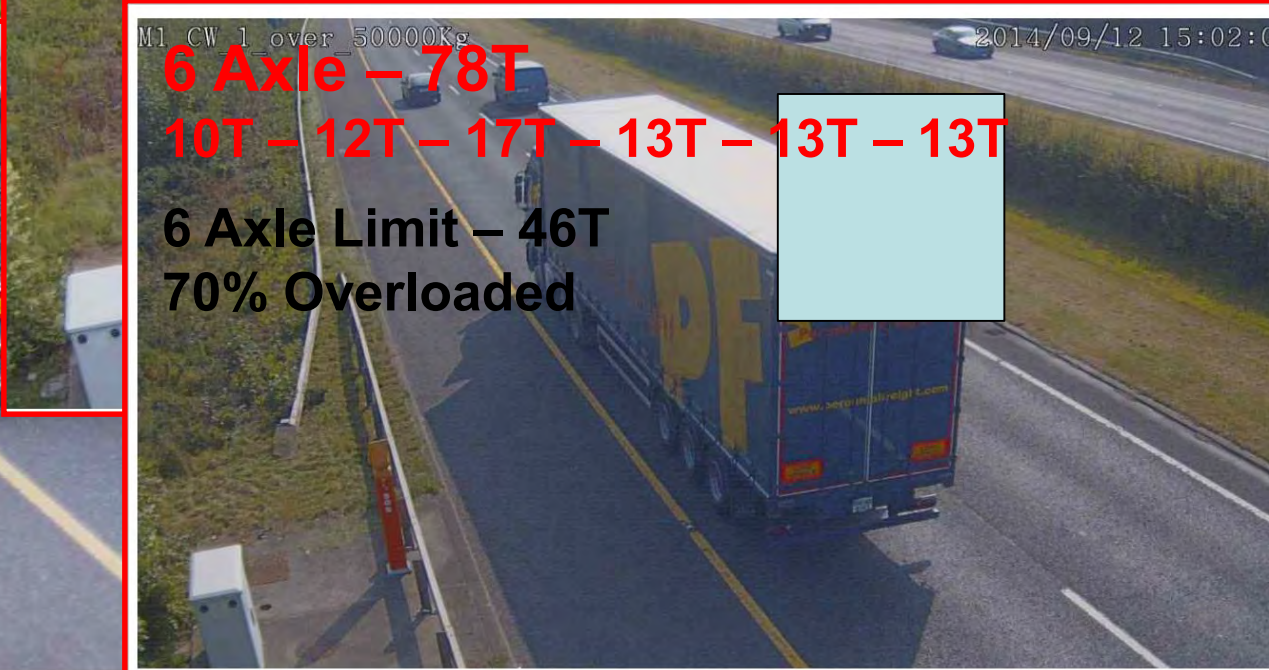


# NRA Weigh-In-Motion (WIM)



## SECTION 3 - Cumulative GVW Histogram One Year of Data (2014) - Across all 6 Sites





# NRA Weigh-In-Motion (WIM)



## Engineers Ireland Presentation

- <http://www.engineersireland.ie/Communications/Engineer-TV-Archive.aspx>
- Communications / Engineers TV Archive
- “Traffic Monitoring Systems across the National Road Network” - (11/02/15)







**Many Thanks  
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