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*Fixed Installations –*

*Electrical protective measures for working on or near an overhead contact line system and/or its associated return circuit*

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## Railway applications - Fixed installations - Electrical protective measures for working on or near an overhead contact line system and/or its associated return circuit

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## **European foreword**

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## Introduction

This document provides railway specific requirements for electrical protective measures for working on or near an overhead contact line system and/or its associated return circuit.

When developing this document, EN 50110-1, *Operation of electrical installations – Part 1: General requirements*, was used as a guide. EN 50110-1 was not developed specifically to apply to the electric traction system which have different characteristics than those commonly found in other electrical installations.

Due to the numerous variations of organization, this document does not give any recommendations concerning organisational structure.

Because of numerous variations in overhead contact lines with nominal voltage lower than 1,5 kV, this document does not deal with work activities on or near these overhead contact lines and/or their associated return circuit.

The trend in Europe is that “dead working” is more common than “live working”. In the countries where live working on the overhead contact lines is allowed, the national regulation should state the necessary safety rules.

## **1 Scope**

This document provides requirements for electrical safety for:

- dead working on an overhead contact line system;
- working activities near an overhead contact line system when it is live.

It applies to all work activities in relation to electrical hazards only.

This document is applicable to overhead contact line systems with the following nominal voltages and configurations:

- 1,5 kV and 3 kV DC;
- 15 kV, 2x15 kV, 25 kV and 2x25 kV AC.

It also provides requirements for work activities that can give rise to electrical hazards from the return circuit.

This document does not cover electrical risk arising from:

- live working on overhead contact line systems (live working can be carried out according to national requirements, regulations and practices);
- working on or near other electrical sources or electrical systems connected to or close to the OCL system and its return circuit.

If there are no other rules or procedures, the principles described in this document can be applied to overhead contact line systems with other nominal voltages.

## **2 Normative references**

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 50122-1:2011, *Railway applications - Fixed installations - Electrical safety, earthing and the return circuit - Part 1: Protective provisions against electric shock*