

Study Group WAGON USERS

Amendments and additions to the GCU: proposal sheet Appendix 10, point 3.6 GCU Revision

1. Present the problem (with examples and, if possible, figures giving a measure of the scope of the problem):	2. Show why and where the GCU is lacking in this respect:
With regard to point 3.6 of Appendix 10, it is not stated how protruding blocks should be dealt with.	No description of the method to be used to get rid of the problem of protruding blocks.
3. Explain why the problem described can only be resolved through the GCU:	4. Outline why the problem should be solved as it is envisaged in the proposed amendment / addition:
Point 3.6 indicates that protruding blocks must be dealt with as specified in Annex 9. This only specifies 'the labelling' and 'isolate the brake. No action is specified during the time in works.	The supplement proposed shows how the wagons should be dealt with in works.
5. Describe how the proposed amendment or addition will help to solve the problem:	6. Evaluate the possible positive and negative impacts (operational, costs, administrative, interoperability, safety, competitiveness, etc.), using a scale from 1 (very low) to 5 (very high):
This proposal describes the solution aiming to remedy the problem (for the moment there is only a reference to Appendix 9 with 'action to be taken': label and isolate the brake).	Positive effects, repair of the defect and description of the action to be taken during the time it is in works.
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3.6 If wagons have protruding blocks, it is necessary to eliminate the cause of the protrusion after consultation with the keeper and after he has given instructions. If it is not possible to remedy the cause the wagon must be dealt with as specified in Appendix 9. A brake block is considered as protruding if, when it is applied, its external face reaches the external face of the rim.