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## European foreword

This document (CLC/TS 50238-2:2020) has been prepared by CLC/SC 9XA “Communication, signalling and processing systems” of Technical Committee CLC/TC 9X, “Electrical and electronic applications for railways”.

This document supersedes CLC/TS 50238-2:2015 and its corrigendum of July 2016.

CLC/TS 50238-2:2020 includes the following significant technical changes with respect to CLC/TS 50238-2:2015:

The interference current limits for RST have been updated in the normative Annex A.

This Technical Specification is Part 2 of the EN 50238 series published under the title *Railway applications — Compatibility between rolling stock and train detection systems*. The series consists of:

- Part 1: General;
- Part 2: Compatibility with track circuits [this document];
- Part 3: Compatibility with axle counters.

## Introduction

This Technical Specification defines the interference limits and evaluation criteria for electromagnetic compatibility between rolling stock and track circuits.

The limits have been defined on the basis of national specifications described in NTRs.

This Part 2 of the series defines:

- a set of interference current limits for rolling stock based on defined track circuits,
- measurement and evaluation methods to verify rolling stock interference current emissions and demonstrate compatibility with the track circuits;
- traceability of compatibility requirements (types of track circuit and associated limits).

## 1 Scope

This document defines, for the purpose of ensuring compatibility between rolling stock and track circuits, the limits for interference current emissions from rolling stock. The measurement and evaluation methods for verifying conformity of rolling stock to these limits are presented in a dedicated annex.

The interference limits are only applicable to rolling stock that is intended to run on lines exclusively equipped with preferred track circuits listed in this document. The rolling stock test methodology (infrastructure conditions, test configurations, operational conditions, etc.) presented in this document is applicable to establish compatibility with any track circuits.

This document gives guidance on the derivation of interference current limits specified for rolling stock and defines measurement methods and evaluation criteria in a dedicated annex.

This document defines:

- a) a set of interference current limits for RST (Rolling Stock) applicable for each of the following types of traction system:
  - 1) DC (750 V, 1,5 kV and 3 kV);
  - 2) 16,7 Hz AC;
  - 3) 50 Hz AC;
- b) methodology for the demonstration of compatibility between rolling stock and track circuits;
- c) measurement method to verify interference current limits and evaluation criteria.

NOTE 1 The basic parameters of track circuits associated with the interference current limits for RST are not in the scope of this document.

NOTE 2 Any phenomena linked to traction power supply and associated protection (over voltage, short-circuit current, under- and over-voltage if regenerative brakes are used) is part of the track circuit design and outside the scope of this document.

## 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 50126 (all parts), *Railway applications — The specification and demonstration of Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and Safety (RAMS)*

EN 50128, *Railway applications - Communication, signalling and processing systems - Software for railway control and protection systems*

EN 50129, *Railway applications — Communication, signalling and processing systems — Safety related electronic systems for signalling*

EN 50238-1, *Railway applications — Compatibility between rolling stock and train detection systems — Part 1: General*

CLC/TS 50238-3, *Railway applications — Compatibility between rolling stock and train detection systems — Part 3: Compatibility with axle counters*

EN 50388, *Railway Applications - Power supply and rolling stock - Technical criteria for the coordination between power supply (substation) and rolling stock to achieve interoperability*

CLC/TR 50507, *Railway applications - Interference limits of existing track circuits used on European railways*