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#### **Foreword**

This document (EN 13232-3:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 256 "Railway applications", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by February 2004, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by February 2004.

This series of European Standards "Railway Applications – Track – Switches and Crossings" covers the design and quality of switches and crossings in flat bottomed rail. The list of parts is as follows:

- Part 1 : Definitions
- Part 2 : Requirements for geometric design
- Part 3 : Requirements for wheel/rail interaction
- Part 4 : Actuation, locking and detection
- Part 5 : Switches
- Part 6 : Fixed common and obtuse crossings
- Part 7 : Crossings with movable parts
- Part 8 : Expansion devices
- Part 9 : Layouts

Part 1 contains terminology used throughout all parts of this series. Parts 2 to 4 contain basic design guides and are applicable to all switch and crossing assemblies. Parts 5 to 8 deal with particular types of equipment, including their tolerances. Part 9 defines the functional and geometric dimensions and tolerances for layout assemblies. These use Parts 1 to 4 as a basis.

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#### 1 Scope

This part of this European Standard specifies:

- characterisation of wheel and track dimensions;
- geometric design principles for wheel guidance;
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- switches;
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#### 2 Normative references

Not applicable.

#### 3 Presentation

#### 3.1 General

The motion of wheels and transfer of wheel loads is a complex subject, involving the accumulation of extensive data and an understanding of dynamic effects.

By making certain assumptions it is feasible to define rules which are simple yet rigorous enough for design of all types of switches and crossings. Some of these rules assume a 2-axle bogie or vehicle. The need for other special requirements such as those posed by 3-axle or other vehicles must be stated by the Customer.

#### 3.2 Wheel and track dimensions

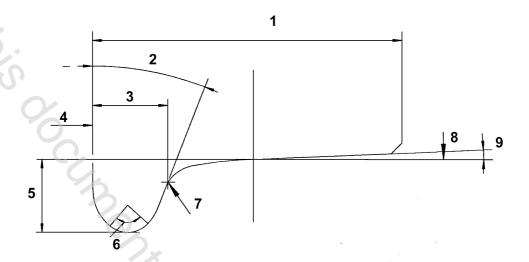
This clause deals with the key dimensions needed for the analysis of the interaction between wheels and the track, either for guidance calculations or load transfer calculations.

Wheel and track dimensions are defined below.

#### 3.3 Wheel profiles

Sufficient dimensions of the cross-section or profile of a wheel are required for switch and crossing design. As a minimum, a dimensioned profile drawing shall be provided by the customer, with the following key dimensions as defined in Figure 1:

- flange width, height and flange angle;
- tyre width and tread angle;
- wheel diameter or radius.



#### Key

- 1 Tyre width
- 2 Flange angle
- 3 Flange width
- 4 Wheel back to back
- 5 Flange depth

- 6 Danger zone
- 7 Contact point
- 8 Wheel diameter
  - Tread angle

Figure 1 — Key wheel dimensions (in addition to profile details)

#### 3.4 Wheelsets

Additional parameters related to the wheelsets are required for calculations for wheelset guidance. The Customer shall provide the following parameter values:

- wheel back-to-back (see Figure 1);
- axle spacing;
- number of axles;
- clearance of middle axles, if applicable;
- bogie spacing and minimum curve radius for vehicles.

#### 3.5 Rail and track

The key parameters related to the track geometry which are used in calculations for wheelset guidance are shown in Figure 2 and listed below:

- centreline radius (R);
- track gauge (G);
- dimension for nose protection (check gauge) (F);
- wing flangeway (D).