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1 INTRODUCTION

This Guideline is an application of the document ERA 1172/002 V3.1 Sectorial scheme for accreditation and recognition of ECM certification bodies under Regulation (EU) 2019/779, dated 15.06.2020, which regulates the conditions for accreditation of certification bodies certifying products according to ISO / IEC 17065: 2012 - processes related to the maintenance of rail vehicles in accordance with Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No. Regulation (EC) No. 2019/779 (ECM), which, with effect from 16.06.2020, replaces Commission Regulation (EU) No. 445/2011 on the certification system of the entities in charge of the maintenance of freight wagons.

This methodological guideline regulates the scope of application of the above-mentioned sectoral accreditation scheme, which is binding for employees of the accreditation body and applicants for accreditation in the Slovak Republic.

2 ABBREVIATION USED

CP	Certification Body Certifying Products
ECM	Entity in Charge of Maintenance
EN	European Standard
ERA	European Union Agency for Railways
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
ISO	International Standardization Organization
MDV SR	Ministry for Transport and Building of the Slovak Republic
MSA	Methodical Guideline for Accreditation
ŽKV	Rail Vehicle

3 RELATED DOCUMENTS

ERA 1172/003 V1.1 Certification scheme for ECM and outsourced maintenance functions under Regulation (EU) 2019/779	Certification scheme for ECM and outsourced maintenance functions under Regulation (EU) 2019/779, version 1.1
ERA 1172/001 V2.0 Clarification note. Sectoral scheme for accreditation and recognition of ECM certification bodies under the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/779	Clarification note. Sectoral scheme for accreditation and recognition of ECM certification bodies under the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/779
ISO/IEC 17007: 2009	Conformity assessment. Guidance for drafting normative documents suitable for use for conformity assessment.
ISO/IEC 17021-1: 2015	Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems — Part 1: Requirements
ISO/IEC 17065: 2012	Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services
Regulation ECM	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/779 of 16. May 2019 laying down detailed provisions on a system of certification of entities in charge of maintenance of vehicles pursuant to Directive (EU) 2016/798 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Regulation (EU) No. 445/2011 with effect from 16. June 2020
MSA-04	Procedure for the accreditation
MSA-05	Requirements for SNAS assessors and experts
MSA-CP/01	Scope and scope specification of accreditation of certification bodies certifying products
MSA-CP/03	Witness assessment of certification bodies certifying products
Railways Act	Act No. 513/2009 Col. about railways and on amendments to certain acts, as amended
Ordinance on railway transport rules	Ordinance MDPT SR No. 351/2010 Col. on the railway transport regulations, as amended

4 APPLICATION

The article numbering in this MSA is the same as the article numbering of the ERA 1172/002 V3.1 Sectorial scheme for accreditation and recognition of ECM certification bodies under Regulation (EU) 2019/779. Articles not listed below apply in their entirety, in the original scope.

Chapter 3 Sectorial accreditation scheme

Clause 3.1.3.1 Assessment team

Clause shall be applied **by supplemented wording:**

Base training and professional experience

Each member of the assessment team shall comply with one of the four following requirements related to base training and professional experience:

- Professional experience minimum 9 years; or
- Secondary school degree in mechanical and professional experience minimum 7 years, **whereas if the secondary or higher education of the first degree also includes the acquisition of professional experience and experience during the study, the period of study is included in the professional experience;** or
- Bachelor I. degree in engineering and professional experience minimum 5 years, **whereas if the secondary or higher education of the first degree also includes the acquisition of professional experience and experience during the study, the period of study is included in the professional experience;** or
- Master II. degree in engineering, sciences or business management and professional experience minimum 3 years.

Required professional experience must be at least 3 years in a position concerning:

- maintenance of railway freight wagons or (other) railway vehicles in the development of maintenance, fleet maintenance management or provision of maintenance; or
- construction and production of railway vehicles; or
- assessment of the maintenance system, personnel or processes in other sectors such as automotive, aerospace, energy, building services, industrial machinery,...; or
- assessment or management of welding or non-destructive testing activities;

If the candidate for the evaluation team has gained professional experience directly in the railway sector (eg. working in a railway maintenance workshop or in the operation and maintenance of railway vehicles), the requirement for professional experience is considered to be sufficient for 2 years.

The remainder of Article 3.4.1 applies to its original extent.

Clause 3.1.3.2 Certification Committee

Clause shall be applied **by supplemented wording:**

3.4.2.2. Knowledge and skills addressing the maintenance of freight wagons

At least one member of the Certification Committee has a strong proven professional experience of 7 years in maintenance of railway vehicles (management or engineering), **with regard to the required scope of accreditation¹⁾, where in the case of secondary or higher education of the first degree also the acquisition of professional experience and experience during the study, the period of study is included in the professional experience.**

Note: Accreditation in the ECM may also be granted to a limited scope, eg. only for some kind of rolling stock (e.g. freight wagons).

The remainder of Article 3.1.3.2 applies to its original extent.

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