

ANNEX VI

PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE CERTIFICATE Matters relating to infrastructure

3. KNOWLEDGE OF THE LINE

Drivers must be able to anticipate problems and react appropriately in terms of safety and other performances, such as punctuality and economic aspects. They must therefore have a thorough knowledge of the railway lines and installations on their route and of any alternative routes agreed on.

The following aspects are important:

- operational conditions (changes of track, one-way running, etc.),
- perform a route check and consult the relevant documents,
- identification of tracks that can be used for a given type of running,
- the applicable traffic rules and the meaning of the signalling system,
- the operations regime,
- the block system and associated regulations,
- station names and the position, and distance-sighting of stations and signal boxes to adapt driving accordingly,
- transition signalling between different operating or power supply systems,
- speed limits for the different train categories driven,
- topographical profiles,
- particular braking conditions, for example on lines with a steep downward gradient,
- particular operating features: special signals, signs, departure conditions, etc.