

Directive 2007/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
of 23 October 2007 on the certification of train drivers operating
locomotives and trains on the railway system in the Community

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There must be a good balance between theoretical training
(classroom...
Computer-aided training must be accepted for individual learning
of the...
The use of simulators, although not obligatory, may be useful...
Concerning the acquisition of route knowledge, the approach to
be...

ANNEX IV

GENERAL PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND
REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE LICENCE

The general training has the following objectives:
acquiring the knowledge and procedures regarding of railway
technologies, including...

In particular, drivers must be able to:
understand the specific requirements for working in the
profession of...

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The minimum frequency of the periodic checks shall be as...
linguistic knowledge (only for non-native speakers): every three
years or...

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- (1) [OJ C 221, 8.9.2005, p. 64.](#)
- (2) [OJ C 71, 22.3.2005, p. 26.](#)
- (3) Opinion of the European Parliament of 28 September 2005 ([OJ C 227 E, 21.9.2006, p. 464](#)), Council Common Position of 14 September 2006 ([OJ C 289 E, 28.11.2006, p. 42](#)), Position of the European Parliament of 18 January 2007 (not yet published in the Official Journal), Legislative Resolution of the European Parliament of 25 September 2007 and Council Decision of 26 September 2007.
- (4) [OJ L 164, 30.4.2004, p. 44.](#) Corrected version in [OJ L 220, 21.6.2004, p. 16.](#)
- (5) [OJ L 237, 24.8.1991, p. 25.](#) Directive as last amended by Directive 2006/103/EC ([OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 344](#)).
- (6) [OJ L 195, 27.7.2005, p. 18.](#)
- (7) [OJ L 235, 17.9.1996, p. 6.](#) Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/32/EC ([OJ L 141, 2.6.2007, p. 63](#)).
- (8) [OJ L 110, 20.4.2001, p. 1.](#) Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/32/EC.
- (9) [OJ L 281, 23.11.1995, p. 31.](#) Directive as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 ([OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1](#)).
- (10) [OJ L 8, 12.1.2001, p. 1.](#)
- (11) [OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 22.](#) Directive as last amended by Council Directive 2006/100/EC ([OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 141](#)).
- (12) [OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.](#) Decision as amended by Decision 2006/512/EC ([OJ L 200, 22.7.2006, p. 11](#)).
- (13) [OJ C 321, 31.12.2003, p. 1.](#)