

## Consultation comments and responses

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### 1. Responders to consultation

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### 2. Summary of comments

Code	Description	Total
-	Consulted	621
CE	Critical errors	
ED	Editorial errors	
TY	Typographical errors	
OB	Observations	
-	Total comments returned	

Classification codes for a way forward:

- DC – Document change
- NC – No change

### 3. Collated consultation comments and responses

No	Page	Clause	Comment	Suggestion	By	Way forward	Page	Clause	Response
1	57	7.1	When I first read the reference to Acceleration Indicators, I misinterpreted it as meaning PSIs would ALWAYS be fitted with an Acceleration Indicator so I wonder if that's just me or if a slight reword may help. Current wording is: "Acceleration indicators are always used in conjunction with a permissible speed indicator. They allow acceleration of the train to the new permissible speed when the front of the train is at the position of the sign".	Replace current wording with: "Acceleration indicators must only be provided in conjunction with a permissible speed indicator. They allow acceleration of the train to the new permissible speed when the front of the train is at the position of the sign"	1	DC	57	7.1	Wording changed to reflect possible misunderstanding of the application of the board.
2			We will also need an equivalent sign for metric acceleration signs as we have metric speed signage in use on the GB mainline railway.	Add into RS521 a metric equivalent of a speed accelerator indicator to complement use of metric speed signage on the GB mainline railway.	2	DC	57	7.1	Additional sign included in revised drawing.
3	65		<b>Acceleration indicator</b> <i>The acceleration indicator shows the end of the speed restriction and allows acceleration of the train back to the permissible speed when the front of the train is at the position of the sign.</i> The wording can be improved by removing 'back' regarding "allows acceleration of the train back to the permissible speed when the front of the train is at the position of the sign".	The description of the PSR in conjunction with the acceleration indicator on page 57 is written better. Which states "They allow acceleration of the train to the new permissible speed when the front of the train is at the position of the sign."  Maybe the reword description on page 65 to "Allows acceleration up to the permissible speed when the train is at the position of the sign".	3	DC	65	8.1	Have simplified the wording as suggested but have kept "...the front of the train..." to make sure the separation between this and a T-board is obvious.