

Andrzej Kowalski: Railway Research Institute as a Designated Body to Carry out Technical Tests and Conformity Assessment of Specific Types of Railway Structures, Equipment and Vehicles

The article presents the bases and significance of acquiring the status of a Designated Body (DeBo) for the Railway Research Institute. Pursuant to Art. 22 item 1 of the Rail Transport Law of 28 March 2003, the Institute is designated to carry out activities defined in the Regulation of the Minister of Infrastructure and Development of 13 May 2014 relating to placing into service of specific kinds of railway structures, equipment and vehicles. Designated Body's pursuit of activities has been outlined, consisting of performing technical tests and studies necessary to obtain certificates of placing into service of a type, stating conformity with a type, as well as issuing type attestations and certificates of conformity with type for railway structures, equipment and vehicles.

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