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 - 2.2 Energy: The electrification system, overhead lines and current collectors.
 - 2.3 Control and command and signalling: All the equipment necessary to...
 - 2.4 Traffic operation and management: The procedures and related equipment enabling...
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SCHEDULE 5 — (This Schedule reproduces Annex III to the High-Speed Directive)

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1. ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS
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 - 1.1.1 The design, construction or assembly, maintenance and monitoring of safety-critical...

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- 1.1.2 The parameters involved in the wheel/rail contact must meet the...
- 1.1.3 The components used must withstand any normal or exceptional stresses...
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 - 1.3.2 Those materials must be selected, deployed and used in such...
- 1.4 Environmental protection
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 - 2.4.3 Technical compatibility The electrical equipment must be compatible with the...
 - 2.4.4 Controls Trains must be equipped with a recording device. The...
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 - 2.5.2 Environmental protection The technical installations and the procedures used in...
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 - 2.7.2 Reliability and availability The operation and maintenance periods, the training...
 - 2.7.3 Technical compatibility The alignment of the operating rules of the...

SCHEDULE 6 — (This Schedule reproduces Annex III to the Conventional Directive)

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 - 1.1 Safety
 - 1.1.1 The design, construction or assembly, maintenance and monitoring of safety-critical...
 - 1.1.2 The parameters involved in the wheel/rail contact must meet the...
 - 1.1.3 The components used must withstand any normal or exceptional stresses...
 - 1.1.4 The design of fixed installations and rolling stock and the...
 - 1.1.5 Any devices intended to be handled by users must be...
 - 1.2 Reliability and availability The monitoring and maintenance of fixed or...
 - 1.3 Health
 - 1.3.1 Materials likely, by virtue of the way they are used,...
 - 1.3.2 Those materials must be selected, deployed and used in such...
 - 1.4 Environmental protection
 - 1.4.1 The environmental impact of establishment and operation of the trans-European...
 - 1.4.2 The materials used in the trains and infrastructure must prevent...
 - 1.4.3 The rolling stock and energy-supply systems must be designed and...
 - 1.4.4 Operation of the trans-European conventional rail system must respect existing...
 - 1.4.5 Operation of the trans-European conventional rail system must not give...
 - 1.5 Technical compatibility The technical characteristics of the infrastructure and fixed...
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 - 2.2 Energy
 - 2.2.1 Safety Operation of the energy-supply systems must not impair the...
 - 2.2.2 Environmental protection The functioning of the electrical or thermal energy-supply...
 - 2.2.3 Technical compatibility The electricity/thermal energy supply systems used must: enable...
 - 2.3 Control and command and signalling
 - 2.3.1 Safety The control and command and signalling installations and procedures...
 - 2.3.2 Technical Compatibility All new infrastructure and all new rolling stock...
 - 2.4 Rolling stock
 - 2.4.1 Safety The structure of the rolling stock and of the...
 - 2.4.2 Reliability and availability The design of the vital equipment, of...
 - 2.4.3 Technical compatibility The electrical equipment must be compatible with the...
 - 2.4.4 Controls Trains must be equipped with a recording device. The...
 - 2.5 Maintenance
 - 2.5.1 Health and safety The technical installations and the procedures used...
 - 2.5.2 Environmental protection The technical installations and the procedures used in...
 - 2.5.3 Technical compatibility The maintenance installations for conventional rolling stock must...
 - 2.6 Operation and traffic management
 - 2.6.1 Safety Alignment of the network operating rules and the qualifications...
 - 2.6.2 Reliability and availability The maintenance operations and periods, the training...

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- 2.6.3 Technical compatibility Alignment of the network operating rules and the...
- 2.7 Telematics applications for freight and passengers
- 2.7.1 Technical compatibility The essential requirements for telematics applications guarantee a...
- 2.7.2 Reliability and availability The methods of use, management, updating and...
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- 2.7.4 Safety Suitable levels of integrity and dependability must be provided...

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SCHEDULE 10 — (This Schedule substantially reproduces the provisions of Annex VII to the High-Speed Directive and to the Conventional Directive)

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*MINIMUM CRITERIA WHICH MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT
BY THE MEMBER STATES WHEN NOTIFYING BODIES*

1. The body, its Director and the staff responsible for carrying...
2. The body and the staff responsible for the checks must...
3. The body must employ staff and possess the means required...
4. The staff responsible for the checks must possess: proper technical...
5. The independence of the staff responsible for the checks must...
6. The body must take out civil liability insurance unless that...
7. The staff of the body are bound by professional secrecy...

SCHEDULE 11 — HIGH-SPEED RAIL SYSTEM

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