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Part 9: Impact tests and test methods for removable barrier sections

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## European foreword

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This document partially supersedes ENV 1317-4:2001.

This document, fully dedicated to removable barrier sections (RBS) will partly supersede ENV 1317-4:2001 in which RBS are addressed only in subclause 6.2, in which they are treated as special transitions for lengths up to 40 m, and safety barriers for higher lengths.

In comparison with ENV 1317-4, the following technical modifications have been made:

- emergency passage: considered in 3.7,
- deformation of the RBS (5.4): specification of Dynamic Deflection, Working Width and System intrusion. Reporting of completely detached parts,
- connection force (5.5): reporting of the longitudinal forces acting under impact on the connections with the two barriers,
- impact points (6.3): different definition of the location and of the number of impact points,
- length of test installation (8): minimum length of the connected barriers,
- modular RBS of different length (9): reduced test matrix for products derived from a parent RBS, by assembling a different number of the same modules.

This document is read in conjunction with EN 1317-1:2010 and EN 1317-2:2010 and EN 1317-5:2007+A2:2012 and CEN/TS 1317-10.

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## Introduction

In order to improve safety, the design of roads might require the installation of road safety barriers. Provisions are sometimes necessary for sections of barrier that can be temporarily opened whilst maintaining the capacity to contain errant vehicles in the closed configuration.

This document partially replaces the ENV 1317-4:2001 regarding the assessment of performance and test methods for Removable Barrier Sections. In the afore-mentioned document, these Removable Barrier Sections were considered to be special transitions and were assessed as such.

The performance of any required transition elements or assemblies that connect the removable barrier section to a standard road safety barrier may be assessed according to CEN/TR 1317-10.

## 1 Scope

This document specifies performance categories and test methods for the assessment of removable barrier sections.

The transitions between the Removable Barrier Section and the two connected safety barriers are outside the scope of this document and are assessed using CEN/TR 1317-10

The transitions between the Removable Barrier Section and the two connected safety barriers are outside the scope of this document.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 1317-1:2010, *Road restraint systems - Part 1: Terminology and general criteria for test methods*

EN 1317-2:2010, *Road restraint systems - Part 2: Performance classes, impact test acceptance criteria and test methods for safety barriers including vehicle parapets*

CEN/TR 1317-10, *Road restraint systems — Part 10: Assessment methods and design guidelines for transitions, terminals and crash cushion connection - transition.*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 1317-1:2010, EN1317-2:2010 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

### 3.1

#### **removable barrier section**

section of barrier, connected at both ends to sections of standard safety barrier, which allows for removal and reinstallation for temporary openings, mainly used during maintenance of the road or for the passage of emergency vehicles, and which, in the closed position, offers containment performances

Note 1 to entry: The width of the RBS may be different from the width of the barriers.

Note 2 to entry: Although these products are called “removable” they are nevertheless permanent products. “Removable” indicates only that they can be opened.

Note 3 to entry: RBS shorter than or equal to 4,0 m should be considered as barriers interruptions.

Note 4 to entry: Figure 1 shows schematically the location of an RBS between two barriers.