

Rules for use of lines or sections of lines for which a timetable is not prepared

- 1. The use of lines/line sections, for which, timetable is not prepared due to technical condition of the line, is executed according to the principles included in par. 2-7.
- The railway undertaking applies to relevant PLK's Regional Department for use of sections of lines listed in Annex 1.3 to <u>The Statute of PLK's Railway Network</u>, and this Department is obliged to consider application within period no longer than 5 calendar days from the submission date, provided that applicant meets requirements described in par. 3.
 - A written application which does not meet the requirements referred to in par. 3, gives no right to any claims to PLK concerning journeys preparation on lines/line section listed in the application.
- 3. The railway undertaking's application for use of lines/line sections referred to in par. 1 must include in particular:
 - indication of the PLK Regional Department to which the line/line section belongs; when the line/line section belongs to two or more PLK's Regional Department, the application can be submitted to any of them:
 - 2) the name, headquarters and address of the applicant (railway undertaking);
 - 3) the date of preparing the application;
 - 4) the specification of lines/line sections requested by the railway undertaking to be used;
 - 5) the time period of use of lines/line sections for train journeys;
 - 6) a description of type of goods;
 - 7) a declaration of volume of operational performance in gross-tonne-kilometres (btkm) and trainkilometres (pockm) on the line/line section requested by the railway undertaking;
 - 8) indication of the parameters of the railway undertaking's trains, in particular: train type, traction, expected parameters i.e. average gross weight, number of wagons and train length, axle load, maximum speed;
 - 9) suggestion of traffic schedule, allowing execution of journeys at the requested lines/line sections or on adjacent line sections.
- 4. After processing of technical, organisational, operational and economic aspects in agreement with the railway undertaking on technical and operational conditions and coverage of expenses connected with it the relevant PLK Regional Department, prepares regulations concerning traffic management on the line/line section for which timetable is not prepared. The above-mentioned regulations will be prepared in accordance with rules and conditions of railway traffic management specified in Decree of the Minister of Infrastructure of 18 July 2005 on general conditions concerning railway traffic management and signalling, as well as PLK's internal regulations indicated in **Annexes 3.1** and **3.2**.
- 5. Preparation costs of regulations concerning traffic management on the line/line section for which timetable is not prepared are borne by the railway undertaking.
- Regulations concerning traffic management on line/line section for which a timetable is not prepared –
 developed in a way described above and approved according to PLK's internal regulations

 are the basis for preparing access contract for use of the line/line section for which a timetable is not
 prepared.
- 7. In the contract referred to in par. 6, an access charge for use of the line/line section for which a timetable is not prepared, is determined on the basis of separate calculation, including:
 - 1) the necessary costs of adaptation of the line/line section to traffic operations;
 - 2) operational and maintenance costs of the line/line section in the part that is recognised as a direct result of a particular train journey.

In the case of later use of these sections in the duration of a given train timetable by other railway undertakings, part of these costs will be proportionally reimbursed to the first one who paid for the whole preparation of the line/section.

In the case of a line/line section where timetable preparation was possible during the last timetable period, the unit rates of basic charge for minimum access to railway infrastructure are applied.

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