

AMUSEMENT RIDES SAFETY Information Bulletin

STANDATA

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Amusement Rides Standards Regulation 223/2001 and Amendment AR 32/2005;
Elevating Devices, Passenger Ropeways and Amusement Rides Permit Regulation
AR 286/2002

SUBJECT: Designation of Miniature (Hobby) Trains as an Amusement Ride

Background

The Amusement Rides Technical Council and Alberta Municipal Affairs have developed this information bulletin to clarify that miniature (hobby) trains used for education and operated for the sole purpose of demonstration are **not** classified as an amusement ride under the *Safety Codes Act (SCA)*. Operators of the trains must follow the guidelines outlined in the policy requirement of this STANDATA.

Policy

Miniature (hobby) trains are not classified as amusement rides under the *SCA* as long as an individual or organization provides written confirmation to the Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association (AEDARSA) that their trains meet the following criteria:

1. The trains are only operated for education and demonstration purposes,
2. There will be verbal education or a hands-on demonstration component provided with each train ride,
3. There is a sign posted at the loading areas stating "*The trains are not an amusement ride; they are only operated for education and demonstration purposes*".
4. No monies are collected for solely riding the trains or their carriages,
5. The track gauge is less than 12 inches,
6. The maximum speed of trains are less than 8 kilometres/hour,



Issue of this STANDATA is authorized by
the Technical Administrator

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7. That AEDARSA will be notified immediately of any change in the operation or use of the train as outlined in the original written confirmation plan that was provided to AEDARSA, and
8. This STANDATA does not waive any other regulation that may apply to the operation of the trains.

Additional Information:

If any one or more of the items outlined in the above criteria is changed, please contact AEDARSA at:

(780) 448-0184 in Edmonton

(403) 216-5750 in Calgary