

Railfuture Document Reference Scheme

The objective is to ensure that every document, whether internal or external, historic or future, hard copy or electronic, created by Railfuture or received by Railfuture, is provided with a unique identifier so that it can be logged and retrieved, without creating additional administrative effort. Therefore the document reference scheme must:

- be easy to understand
- not require anyone to allocate references in advance eg from a register
- enable allocation by the author
- work with PODIO
- make it easy to file, archive and retrieve electronic documents

Every document should carry a reference in the following format:

AAA-BBB-20140302-C

where:

- AAA represents the business function responsible for the document. This would be either part of the organisation, eg BRD = Board, LSE = London and South East branch, PAS = Passenger Group; or a business activity eg SUB = Submission, CNF = Conference. See full list below.
- BBB represents the originator of the document. This would be an individual for a document created by Railfuture, eg RWB = Roger Blake; or an organisation for a document created externally, eg ORR = Office of Rail Regulation.
- 20130302 is the date in ISO format (ie reversed). It should be the operative date for the document, eg the date of the meeting rather than the date the document was produced - in this case 2nd March 2013, the date of the board meeting when this proposal should be considered.
- C is an optional suffix letter to distinguish documents created by the same originator relating to the same business function on the same day, eg Board papers.

The reference should form the first part of the filename for all electronic documents, and should be shown in the header or footer on each page.

The list of business functions identified so far is:

ADV	Advice and Guidance
AGM	AGM
ANN	Annual Reports
ART	Article
AVT	Advert
BRD	Board
BKS	Books
BRF	Briefings
BUL	Bulletin
CAM	Campaigns
COM	Company documents
CON	Contact details
CNF	Conferences
DNC	Devon and Cornwall
EAA	East Anglia
EAS	Eastern

ELN	Elections
EMI	East Midlands
EVT	Events
EXP	Expenses
FGF	Fighting Fund
FIN	Finance
FCG	Finance and Corporate Governance
FRT	Freight
GOV	Governance
HNB	Herts and Beds
ING	Infrastructure & Networks
INT	International
KNT	Kent
LEA	Lea Bridge
LOB	Lobbying
LRT	Light Rail and Trams
LIN	Lincolnshire
LOG	Logos and graphics
MET	London Metro
MEM	Membership
MMC	Marketing, Media and Communications
LON	London and South East
NEA	North East
NIR	Northern Ireland
NWE	North West
NWK	Network
OXC	Ox-Cam
OPS	Operations
PAS	Passenger
POL	Policy
PRC	Press coverage
PRL	Press releases
PRO	Procedures
RAD	Radio interviews
RAF	Railfuture Application forms
PUB	Railfuture publicity leaflets
RCD	Rail company documents
ROL	Rolling stock
RSH	Research
RLA	Rail Action
RWH	Railwatch
RWE	Railwatch Editorial
RUA	RUG Awards
RUG	Rail User Group Liaison
RUX	Rail User Express
SAL	Sales
SCO	Scotland
SEV	Sevenside
SPG	Special Projects Group
SSX	Sussex and Coastway
SUB	Submissions
SVF	Surveys
SRY	Surrey
TMP	Templates
TVA	Thames Valley
UCK	Uckfield - Lewes

WAC Wales Cambrian
WAN Wales North
WAS Wales South
WLS Wales
WMI West Midlands
WIS Wisbech
WES Wessex
YOR Yorkshire