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## **Regulation of the Minister of Economic Affairs and Infrastructure** 'Standards for the Design of Roads'

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## Message

Message 002

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu -Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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5. Regulation of the Minister of Economic Affairs and Infrastructure 'Standards for the Design of Roads'

6. Road design.

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8. The regulation regulates the design of rural roads, which is provided for in the road construction project as well as other documents. Other document may include, for example, technical specifications which replace the complete road construction project if the road construction project is not required. This means that it does not matter which documents the construction of a public road is planned on — the requirements established by the regulation must be complied with



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in any case. Every design should aim for creating safe, accessible, convenient, and environment-friendly mobility conditions. This means that, depending on the possibilities and economic feasibility, a solution of the highest possible quality should always be aimed for when drafting a design, instead of merely satisfying the minimum requirements set out in the regulation.

The content of the regulation is divided into the following parts: general provisions, main elements of the cross-section of a carriageway, road geometry, intersections and junctions, road construction, (road) installation, light traffic track and cycle lane, bus stop, traffic management, road railing system, landscaping and noise barrier, and utility network.

9. The draft will establish a new consolidated text of the 'Standards for the Design of Roads' regulation. The longstanding and largely outdated regulation has been revised and aligned with recent methods and techniques, as well as with the developments in road construction, together with many stakeholders. The new regulation excludes all issues that are regulated by other legal acts and do not comply with the authorisation of the regulation.

The drafting was based on the principle that the regulation as a legal act must contain the most important requirements, encouraging as much as possible application of the best practical methods and techniques, as well as innovation.

One of the most important changes is that in most cases the draft has abandoned the in-depth nature of the instructions and is restricted to the most important basic requirements that ensure the safety and quality of the planned road.

10. References to related legislation: Regulation No 12 of the Minister of Economic Affairs and Infrastructure of 19 February 2015 'The Conditions of and Procedure for Increasing the Speed Limit'

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15. The adoption of the new consolidated text of the regulation will affect the design and construction of Estonian roads, as the roads and thereafter the traffic conditions will become safer, more accessible, more convenient, and more environment-friendly.

16. TBT aspect

NO - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS aspect

NO - the draft is neither a sanitary nor a phytosanitary measure

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