

Digital MCHW

Training for authoring

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Agenda

- Introduction
- Refresh of key aspects from pre-reading material
- Detailed drafting rules
- Closing remarks





Health safety and wellbeing moment

Starting your day



Whether on your way to the office or turning on your laptop at home:

- Ask yourself: How do I feel today? What are the positives in my life? What am I thankful for? Is anything making me feel down?
- Take five minutes to journal your thoughts, aspirations or goals.
- Take three big deep breaths to start your day feeling calm.

Setting up your working day



- Set your working days and hours in your calendar, be sure to carve out specific work slots to get things done.
- Schedule your lunch breaks and protect them at all costs.
- Avoid scheduling back to back meetings and try to save five minutes at the end of each meeting for a screen rest and movement break. (Outlook tip: you can automate this)
- Fill up a glass or bottle of water.

Throughout your day

- Q: Have I spoken to anyone today?
- Q: Have I taken a screen break recently?
- Q: Have I moved enough today?

If you need flex during your working day then schedule you 'My Hour' – it gives you an hour each day when you make up the time earlier or later in the day.



Wellbeing Tip

If you need someone to talk to remember the Employee Assistance Programme is there 24/7. There is also a network of over 100 Mental Health First Aiders across the business ready to take your call or email.

Wellbeing tip

Ensure you take regular movement and screen breaks. Use these one minute exercises for inspiration.



Supporting others



Check-in with your team and ask how they are. Why not start meetings off with a chat?

Recognise the work of your colleagues and show your appreciation for their efforts.

Delay send emails when you know your colleague is away from work or if you are working unusual hours.

Ending your day



Set yourself a list for the next day.

Take a moment to reflect on your day:

- Q: How are you feeling?
- Q: What went well today? Consider 3 things that you are pleased with.

Q: Acknowledge one difficult thing that happened and make a plan to address it (if not already) and then let it go.

Go 'home'



- Turn off your laptop and work phone (if you have one.)
- Clear your workspace and tidy away your belongings - whether you're in the office or at home.
- Switch your attention to home think about your hobbies and interests and how you're going to rest and recharge.



Resources and more information

Check out the Thrive SharePoint hub for everything Wellbeing related.

Introduction

Objectives for today

- Provide training on the new approach to drafting MCHW Volumes 1 and 2, including exercises.
- Explain support that will be provided throughout the drafting process.
- Collect questions from the audience.

Outcomes from today

- Understand the necessity for compliance with the new structure and style of Volumes 1 and 2.
- Understand the high-level principles behind the update of Volumes 1 and 2.
- Understand the specific drafting rules for Volumes 1 and 2.
- Be ready to start drafting.

The project team

National Highways

- Steve Davy, Project sponsor
- Gareth Smith, Project manager
- Simon Hartshorne, content specialist, EU legislation advisor
- Kate Albon, content specialist, advisor on contractual aspects
- Maurice Jones, content specialist

WSP

- Mariapia Angelino, trainer
- Mungo Stacy, trainer
- Content reviewers

Approach to online course delivery

- Training structured around discrete modules linked to high-level drafting rules.
- Combination of presentations and questions using Menti.
 - Please provide your answers to the questions asked during the presentation using Menti.
- Please post any questions or comments in the Teams chat box during the presentation.
- 10 min break every hour.

Participants

Please go to Menti www.menti.com for testing

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Feedback

<https://survey.alchemer.eu/s3/90418976/MCHW-training-11-01-2022>

Course programme

Session 1	Introduction
	Refresh of key aspects from pre-reading material
	Drafting objectives and specific drafting rules
	break
Session 2	Setting clear requirements to the constructor in the SHW
	break
Session 3	Setting clear requirements to the constructor in the SHW
	break
Session 4	Setting clear instructions to the specifier in the IfS documents and links with the WSI
	Setting contract neutral requirements to the constructor in the SHW
	Present national variations clearly and consistently
	Supporting decarbonisation
	Closing remarks

Slides colour coding

Menti
questions

Link to CARS
training

Key
takeaways

MCHW work programme

- SHW standard format requirements
- SI standard format
- Format for national variations

Functionality to validate construction requirements

Functionality to create sample schedules for WSI



Key CARS updates



Tool to create sample schedules for WSI

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End of RIS 2

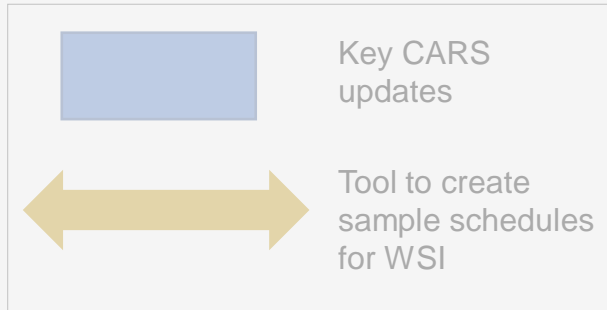
Big bang publication

Monthly MCHW progress calls with the Devolved Administrations' Heads of Standards

Impact on the DMRB work programme

- When updating Volumes 1 and 2, the impact on the DMRB needs to be assessed.
- The following activities will need to be undertaken:
 1. Preliminary screening / filtering exercise to categorise the content and identify content that needs to migrate to the DMRB **(by March 2022)**
 2. Updating of (about 85%) SHW and NfG and identification of further design content to be migrated to the DMRB **(by December 2022)**
 3. Development of clauses for existing DMRB documents / creation of new DMRB documents **(by April 2023)**
- We will provide more details on this matter in Session A8.

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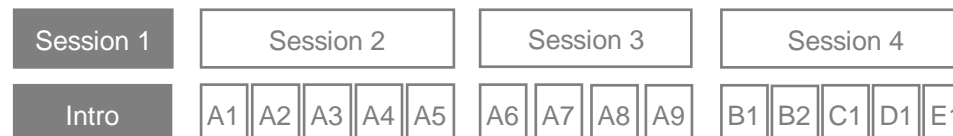
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Refresh of key aspects from pre-reading material

Items covered

1. Vision and recommendations guiding the future MCHW
2. Link between future MCHW and contract documents
3. Structure of the future MCHW
4. Content and presentation of the future MCHW
5. New terminology



Vision

The future MCHW will provide
clear and unambiguous requirements and instructions,
compatible with modern contract forms and
future construction practices

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Intro	A1 A2 A3 A4 A5	A6 A7 A8 A9	B1 B2 C1 D1 E1

The future MCHW will...

PURPOSE, SCOPE AND CONTENT

1. ...continue to set out the requirements to be used for the United Kingdom **motorway and all-purpose trunk road network**.
2. ...be **compatible** with the future DMRB.
3. ...have content related to **conditions of contract removed**.
4. ...be and remain up-to-date.
5. ...**clearly define requirements** to be fulfilled by constructors.

FORMAT

6. ...will provide **clear and easier to use instructions** to contract compilers.
7. ...enable **national variation** of MCHW clauses by Devolved Administrations or Highways England by introducing clauses in the main text.
8. ...have a **consistent style and format**, and be intuitive to use.
9. ...be **future-proofed** for advances in information technology.

ENABLING FUTURE (LONGER TERM) EFFICIENCIES

10. ...be compatible with **future asset information strategies** and digital design, construction, operation and maintenance of roads.
11. ...seek to implement more content developed in **partnership with others** and to refer to content published by other reputable bodies.
12. ...not inhibit and will seek to **support trends in construction**.
13. ...be **contract neutral** and compatible with conditions of contract used by Devolved Administrations and Highways England.

PROGRAMME DELIVERY

14. The **timing of work** on the update of the future MCHW will not overlap work on the DMRB update, whilst seeking to achieve efficiencies available from continuity of resourcing.
15. Create a community of document owners, supported by content specialists, to **strengthen collective commitment** to programme, derive efficiencies and ensure high quality drafting.

Structure of the future MCHW

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Current matrix of technical requirements

		Discipline							
		G	L	C (Civil Engineering)				T (Technology)	
		General Principles & Scheme Governance	Sustainability & Environment	Road Layout	Pavement	Highway Structures & Bridges	Drainage	Geotechnics	Control & Communications Technology
Life-cycle stage		100 - 999	100 - 999	100 - 199	200 - 299	300 - 499	500 - 599	600 - 699	100 - 499
General Information	G	DMRB review programme – RIS 1							
Appraisal	A								
Design	D								
Construction ⁽¹⁾	C								
Maintenance & Operation ⁽²⁾	M	DMRB review programme – RIS 1							
Inspection & Assessment	S								
Disposal	Z								

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Appraisal	A								
Design	D								
Contract preparation	P	Instruction for specifiers documents – RIS 2							
<u>Construction</u> ⁽¹⁾	C	Specification for Highways Works documents – RIS 2							
Maintenance & Operation ⁽²⁾	M	DMRB review programme – RIS 1							
Inspection & Assessment	S								
Disposal	Z								

Current MCHW

Volume 0

Manual
Contract
Document for
Major Works
and
Implementation
Requirements

Volume 1

Specification for
Highways Works

Volume 2

Notes for
guidance

Volume 3

Highway
Construction
Details

Volume 4

Bill of
quantities

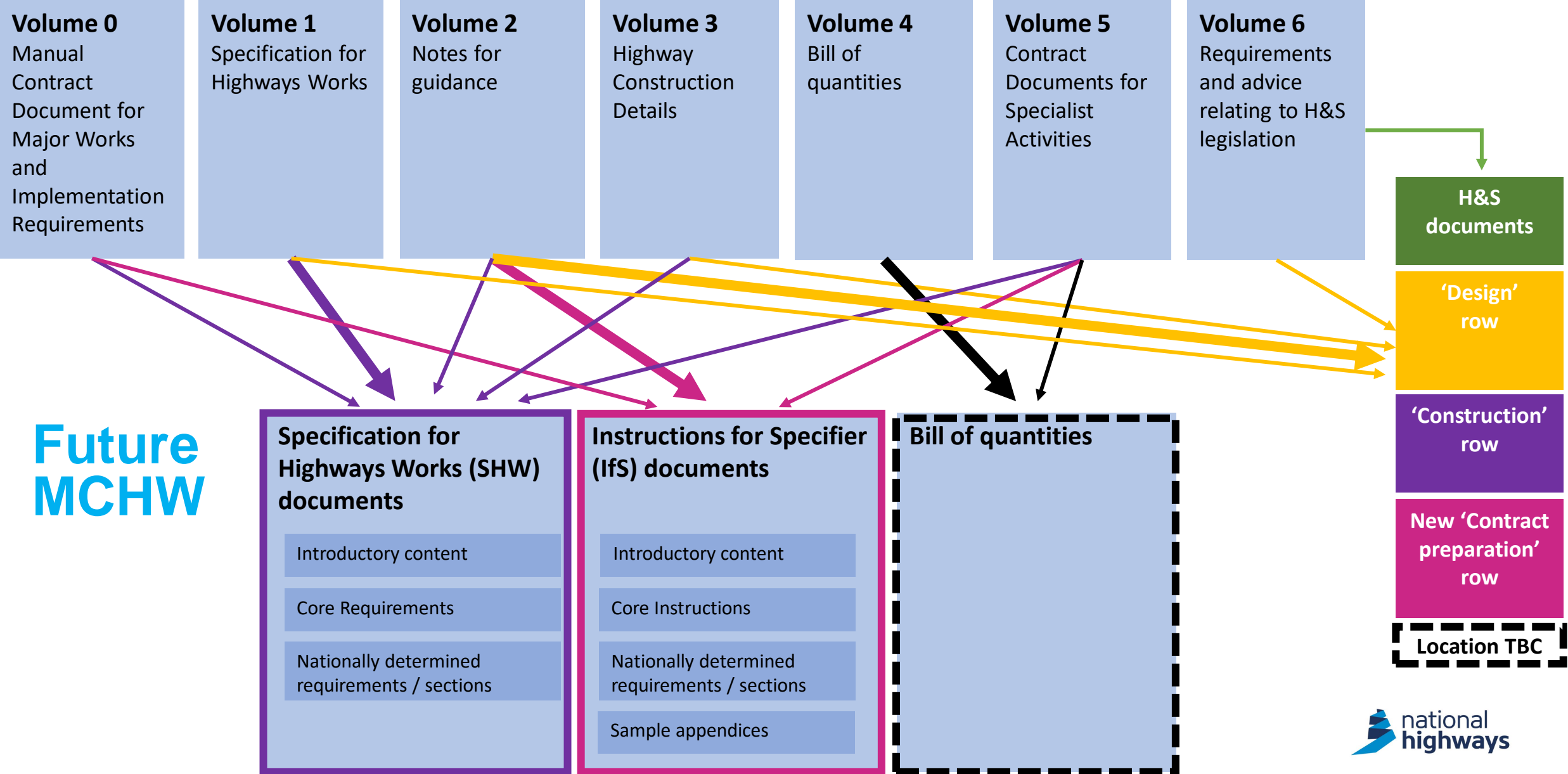
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Contract
Documents for
Specialist
Activities

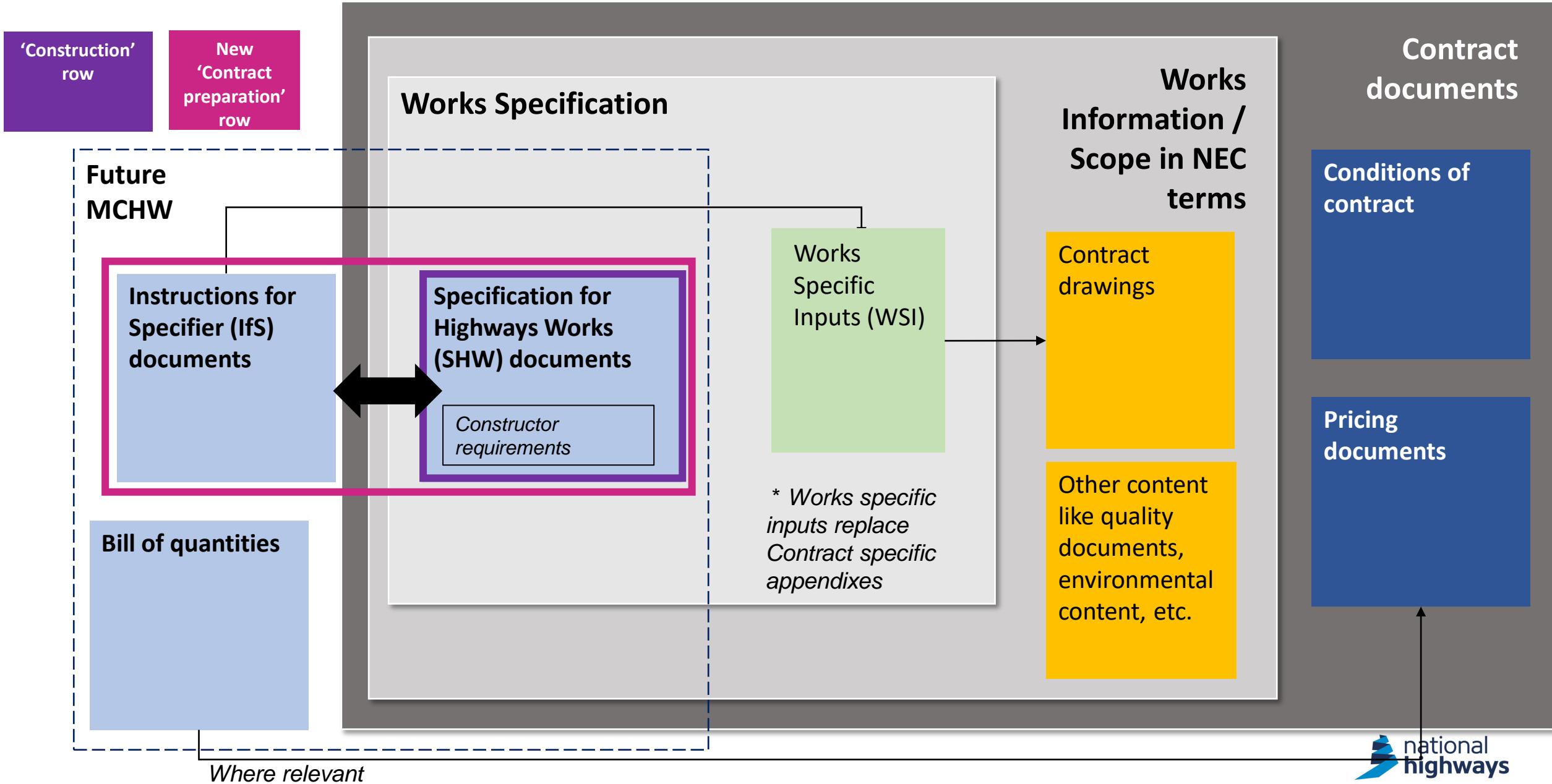
Volume 6

Requirements
and advice
relating to H&S
legislation

Current MCHW



Future MCHW and contract documents



Content and presentation of the future MCHW

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New content and presentation of SHW

4	Element
4.1	Elements shall be compliant with BS 2210.
4.2	The class shall be as stated in the works specific inputs.
4.3	The height of the element shall be a minimum of 500mm.

- SHW requirements will be split out.
- SHW requirements will only cover:
 1. products;
 2. materials;
 3. activities related to products and materials

New content and presentation of NfG (now IfS)

1	Element	
1.1	Elements shall be compliant with BS 2210.	Constructor requirements
1.2	The class shall be as stated in the works specific inputs.	
SI 1.2	Insert X , Y or Z to represent the class	Specifier instruction
1.3	The height of the element shall be a minimum of 500mm.	

- For ease of use by technical authors, SIs and SHW will be authored as one document
- For ease of use by specifiers, IfS documents shall be published with both:
 - the default set of constructor requirements of the SHW and,
 - the specifier instructions on providing the required works specific inputs related to the constructor requirements.

New content and presentation of contract specific appendices (now works specific inputs WSI)

- The works specific inputs (WSI) will replace the contract-specific appendices and will be aligned with the Specifier Instructions.
- Work will start soon in TAGG to explore features of a tool that can generate the WSI schedules automatically (called '*specifier tool*').

Document layout

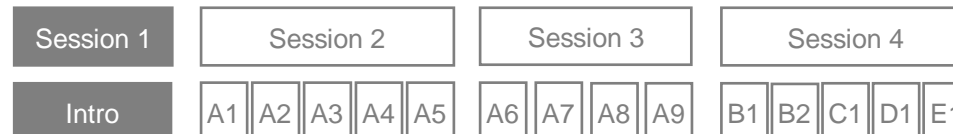
These sections do not contain requirements, only general advisory information without the MCHW numbering layout.

Number format	Name	Permitted Content	Type of element
Not numbered	Title Page [1]	Text	Preliminary Informative
Not numbered	Content page	Generated content	
Not numbered	Release notes [1]	Text	
Not numbered	Foreword	Text	
Not numbered	Introduction	Text	
Section 1, 2, 3	<title as relevant>[2]	Text, figures, tables	Technical Normative
Appendix A, B etc. to SHW [TBC]	<title as relevant>	Text, Tables	Normative
Sample schedules for IfS	<title as relevant>	Text, Tables	Informative [TBC]

These sections contain the clause numbering system to present requirements.

New terminology

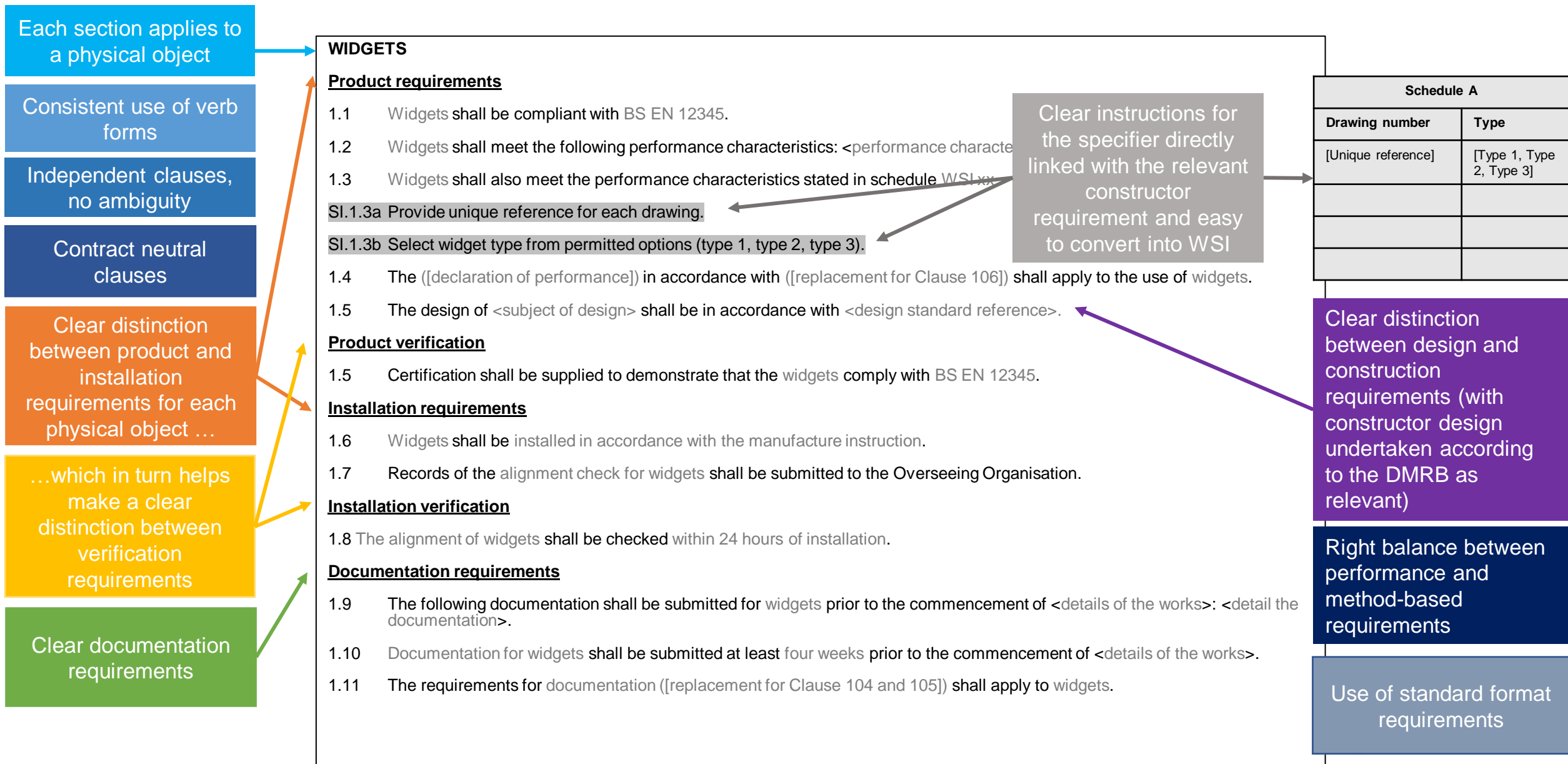
Current MCHW	Future MCHW
'Specification for Highway Works' (SHW) series	'Specification for Highway Works' (SHW) documents
Requirements for constructors (in SHW)	Constructor requirements (in SHW)
'Notes for Guidance' (NfG) documents	'Instructions for Specifier' (IfS) documents
Guidance for contract compiler (in NfG)	As relevant: Design requirements / advice (in DMRB) Specifier instructions (in IfS) Constructor requirements (in SHW)
Contract specific appendixes (in NfG)	Works specific inputs (WSI)



Q1 to Q6 on Menti

Drafting objectives and specific drafting rules

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High-level drafting objectives

- A. Setting **clear requirements** to the constructor in the SHW, including clear links with the DMRB
- B. Setting **clear instructions** to the specifier in the IfS documents and clear links with the work specific inputs (WSI)
- C. Setting **contract neutral requirements** to the constructor in the SHW
- D. Present **national variations** consistently for the four Overseeing Organisations
- E. Supporting **decarbonisation** (*will be covered in separate training*)

High-level drafting objectives	Specific drafting rules	
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	A6: Verification and documentation requirements A7: Other types of constructor requirements A8: Construction vs design requirements A9: Performance and method requirements	3
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Present national variations clearly and consistently	D1: Nationally Determined Requirements and sections	
Supporting decarbonisation	<i>Specific rules will be provided in a separate module</i>	

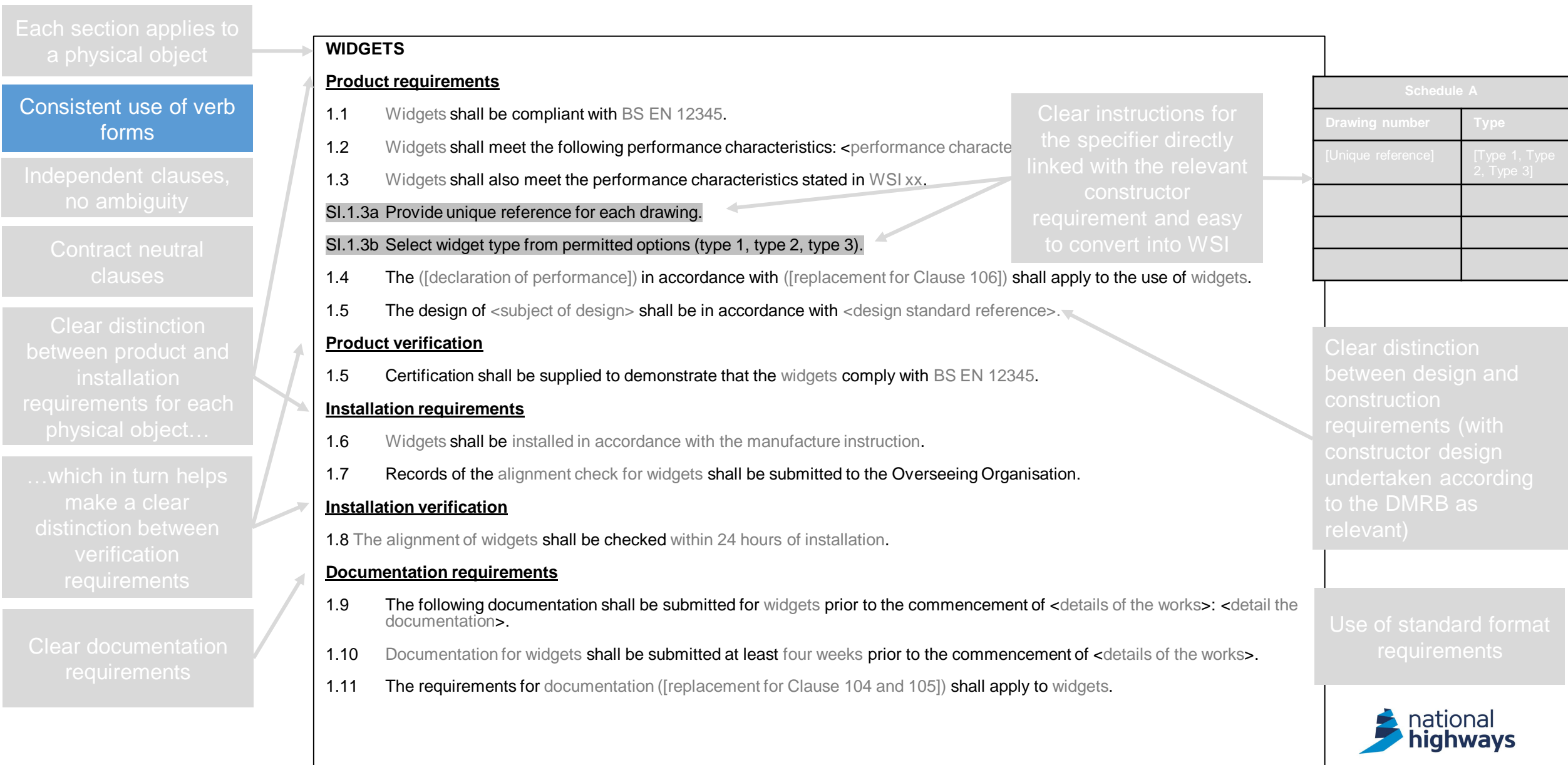
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A1 Verb forms

- Verb forms for SHW requirements
- Advice in SHW

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Verb forms for SHW requirements

A requirement is a statement which either:

- reflects a legislative/statutory obligation which must be fulfilled in all cases;
- reflects a need of the Overseeing Organisation and requires a departure should there be a desire not to fulfil it.

Sub-category	Verb form
Legislative requirement Mandatory requirement set out in regulations at international / European / national level	Must
Overseeing Organisations' requirements	Shall

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Verb forms for SHW requirements

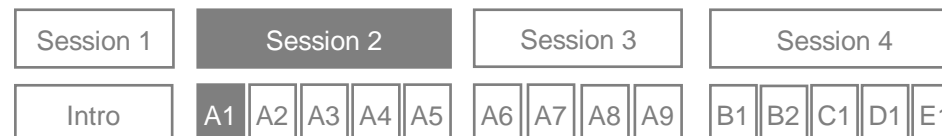
In most cases the use of the word "shall" is applied consistently within the SHW

7 (11/03) Excavation around chambers, except those described in sub-Clause 5 of this Clause, shall be backfilled with general fill material as described in Table 6/1 and compacted in compliance with Clause 612. Where mechanical compaction is impracticable, the excavation shall be backfilled with ST2 concrete. Where there are precast concrete access shafts to precast concrete chambers, the shafts shall be surrounded by a minimum thickness of 150 mm of ST4 concrete, and the remaining excavation backfilled with general fill material as described in Table 6/1 compacted in compliance with Clause 612.

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Advice in the SHW

- The SHW shall not provide advice, only requirements using ‘shall’ and ‘must’ as relevant, i.e. no ‘should’, ‘may’ and ‘can’ in the SHW.
- This is different from the DMRB, where advice is also allowed through ‘should’ and ‘may’ clauses to provide methods/options to fulfil a requirement and detail best practice.
 - ‘Can’ clauses are typically notes, which provide statements of facts.



Q7 to Q9 on Menti

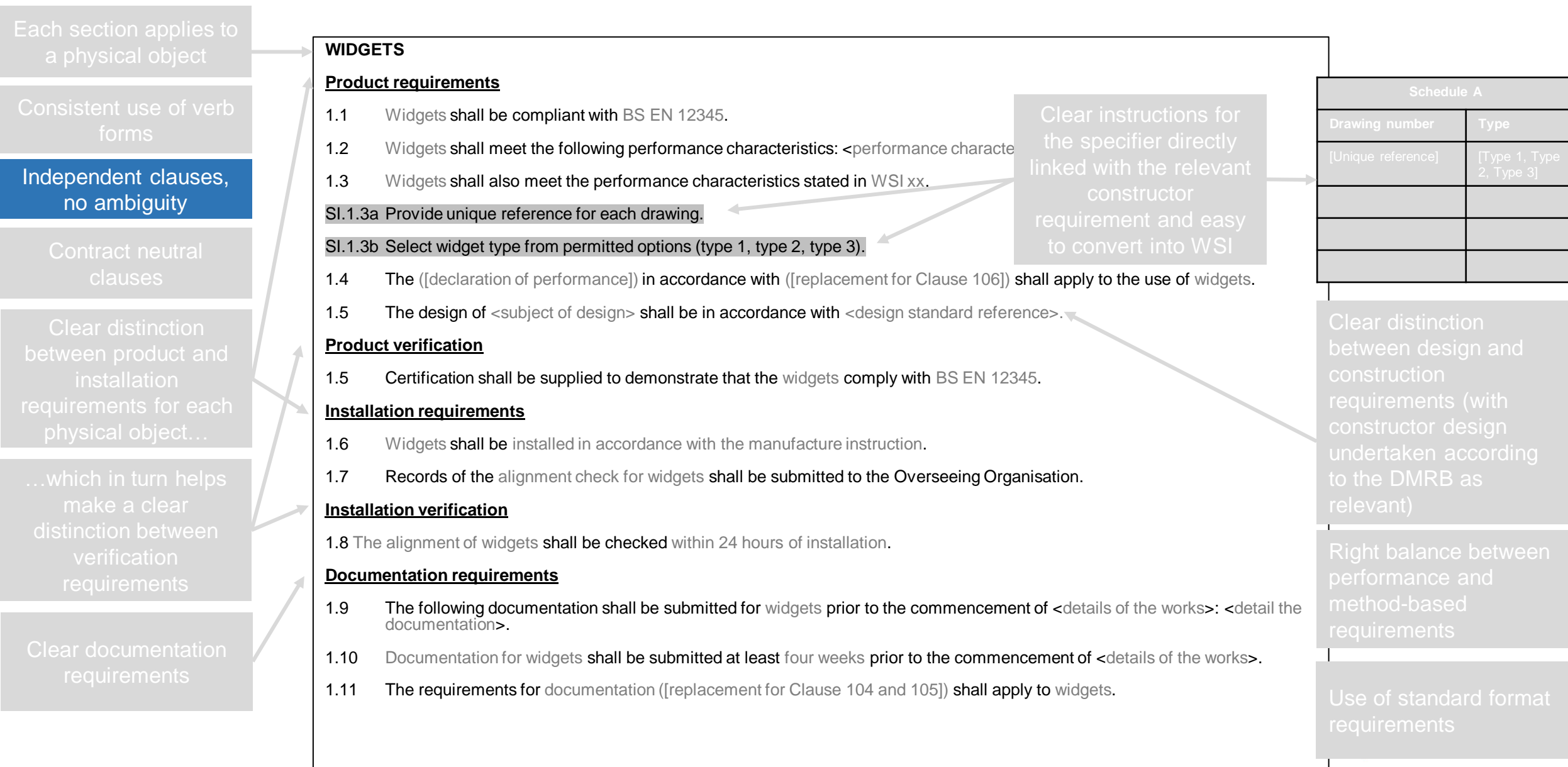
Key takeaways on verb forms in the SHW

- Set out SHW requirements on construction using:
 - “must” for legislative requirements
 - “shall” for requirements of the Overseeing Organisations
- Other verb forms to express requirements (like “is required” or similar) are not allowed.
- Do not include “should” or “may” clauses and notes in the SHW.

A2 Clarity of constructor requirements

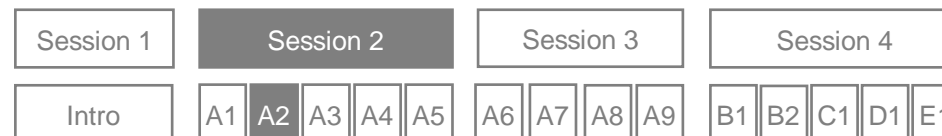
- Making clauses independent
- Personnel-function approach
- Vague expressions
- Verifiable content

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Making clauses independent

- **Each clause shall only contain one verb form.**
- Current clauses may need to be split. It is important to make clauses independent in order to future-proof the clauses. This means:
 - Avoid linking adverbs (such as however, yet, in addition, etc.) and demonstrative pronouns (e.g. this, that, etc.)
 - Some words may need to be repeated for clarity (e.g. the subject of a sentence)



Example

Reinforcement for precast reinforced and prestressed concrete piles

6 (11/03) Steel reinforcement shall be as described in Appendix 16/2 and in accordance with Series 1700.

The main longitudinal reinforcing bars in piles not exceeding 12 m in length shall be in one continuous length. In piles more than 12 m long, joints will be permitted in main longitudinal bars so that the number of joints is minimised. Joints in reinforcement shall be such that the full strength of the bar is effective across the joint.

Lap or splice joints shall be provided with link bars designed to resist eccentric forces. Reinforcement shall be incorporated for lifting and handling purposes.

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3.3 In piles more than 12 m long, joints shall be minimised.

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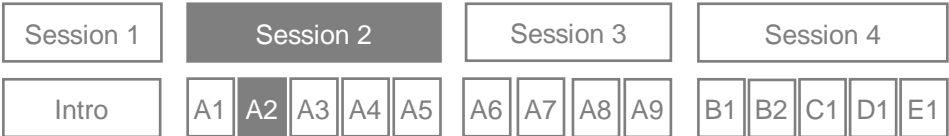
3.6 Reinforcement shall be incorporated for lifting and handling purposes.

Personnel-function approach

- Do not refer to the ‘Contractor’
- All SHW clauses will be under the responsibility of the constructor – this will be clarified in the new front end documents.

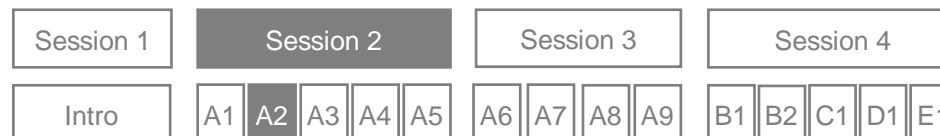
(12/14) **Cover to Reinforcement**

8 (12/14) The Contractor shall provide certificates of compliance with respect to cover to reinforcement and detailed records of measured covers to the Overseeing Organisation before concrete is placed.



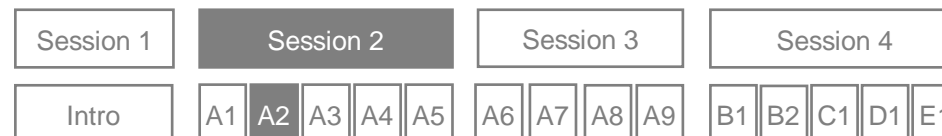
Vague expressions

- **Do not use qualitative and subjective terms**
 - *Adequate*
 - *As appropriate*
 - *As soon as possible*
 - *Practicable / Reasonably practical*
- **Do not use expressions that are difficult to price**
 - *To the satisfaction of the Overseeing Organisation*
- **Do not use ambiguous words**
 - *Care / account / consideration / attention / preference*
- **Do not use expressions that say what the specifier should have done rather than what the constructor should be doing**
 - *The works are detailed in the WSI → you should say: The work shall be carried out in accordance with the WSI*



Verifiable content

- **Do not include content that cannot be verified** – each constructor requirement needs to be capable of verification.
- Typical means for verification:
 - Documentation requirements, including certification
 - Testing
 - Inspection and test plan



CARS functionality

- Error where not using appropriate verb form
- Error when referring to specific roles
- Warning when introducing vague expressions
- Improved Help pages: <https://help.futuredmrb.co.uk/>

See separate training on CARS

Q10 on Menti

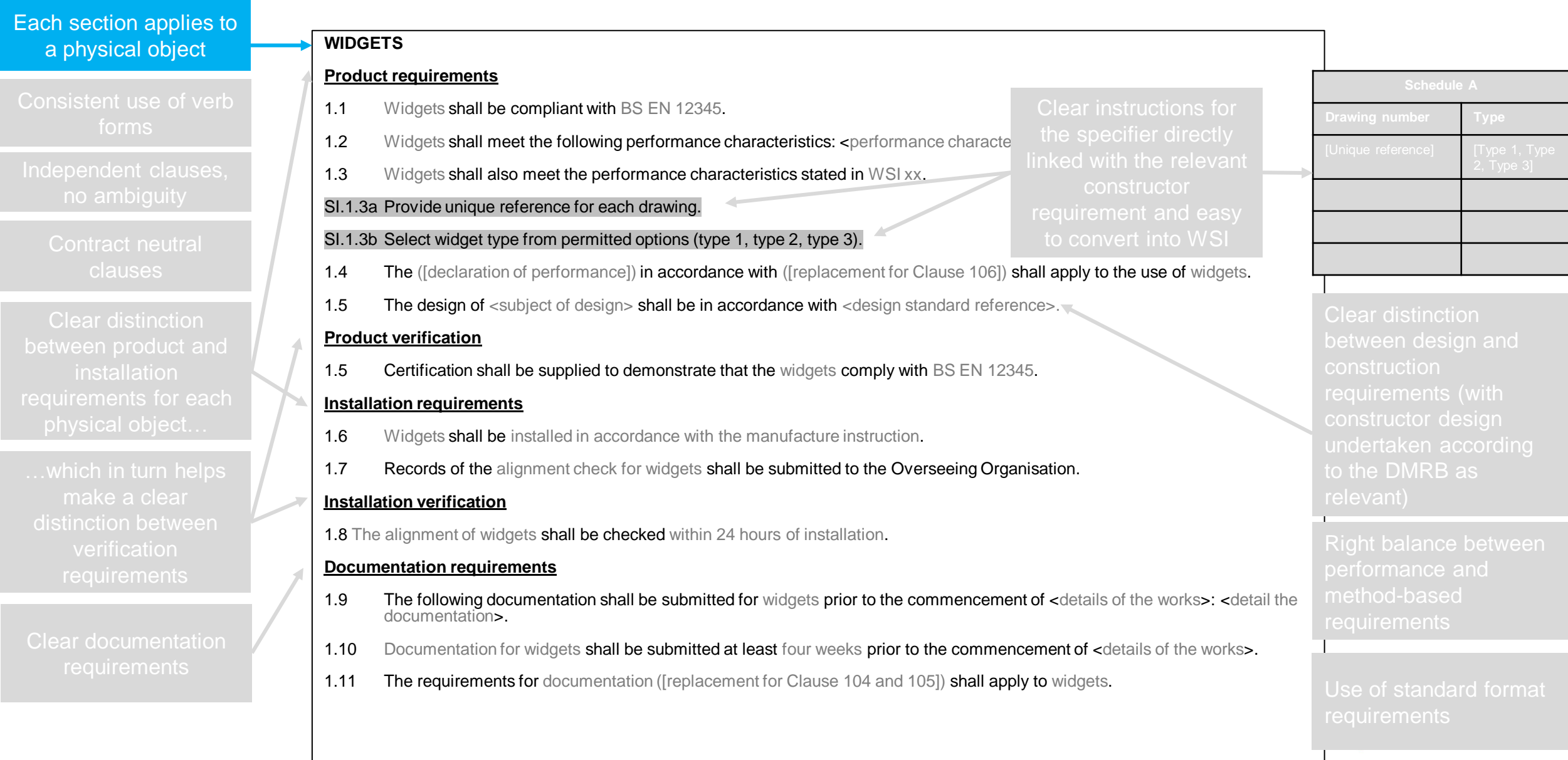
Key takeaways on clarity of constructor requirements

- Each clause shall only contain one verb form.
- Do not refer to the 'Contractor'
- Do not use qualitative and subjective terms
- Do not use expressions that are difficult to price
- Do not use ambiguous words
- Do not use expressions that say what the specifier should have done rather than what the constructor should be doing
- Do not include content that cannot be verified
- MDD rules embedded into CARS

A3 Section title and cross references

- Appropriate titles to support cross referencing
- Mapping to drawings/models

What a good spec looks like



Section title

- **All requirements within a section shall apply to the physical object, material, activity or collective term that is the subject of the title.**
- The title of a section shall either refer to:
 - a physical object, material, defined area of the site or activity; or
 - a collective term for objects, materials, defined areas of the site or activities.
- Need to introduce appropriate titles to support cross referencing as well as to map to drawings / models – see following slides

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Appropriate titles to support cross referencing (1/2)

1. Set of requirements common to more than one section.

2 Road restraint systems

2.1 ...

2.2 ...

3 Vehicle restraint systems

3.1 The requirements of **Road restrain systems (2)** shall apply.

3.2 ...

4 Pedestrian restraint systems

4.1 The requirements of **Road restrain systems (2)** shall apply.

4.2 ...

Appropriate titles to support cross referencing (2/2)

2. Set of requirements on a particular activity, material or product associated with another section

2 Bituminous pavement mixtures

2.1 Bituminous pavement mixture shall be placed and compacted in accordance with **Placing and compaction of bituminous mixtures (3)**.

2.2 ...

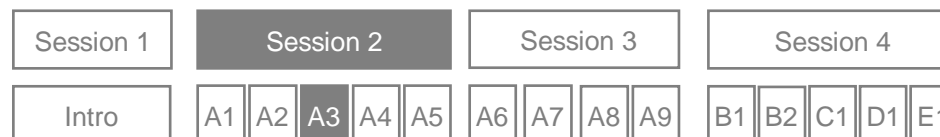
3 Placing and compaction of bituminous pavement mixtures

3.1 The compaction of bituminous pavement mixtures shall be in accordance with BS 594987

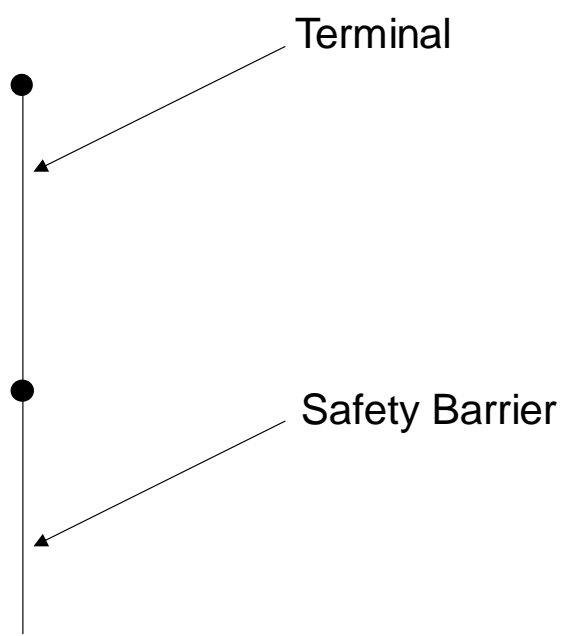
3.2 ...

Mapping to drawings/models

- The design drawings/models detail what materials and products have been specified and where they are to be placed.
- We want to enable direct mapping between design drawings/models and the specification.



How the updated SHW will interact with drawings/models (1/3)



SERIES 400 ROAD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS (VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN)

Want to avoid this

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VEHICLE RESTRAINT SYSTEMS

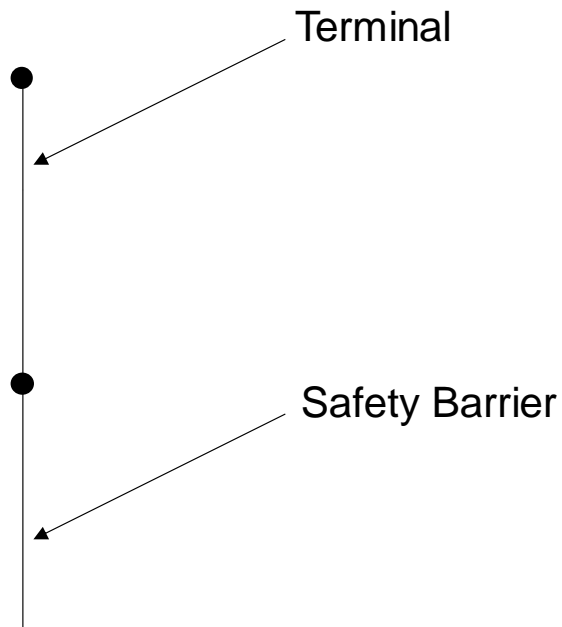
General Requirements

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Safety Barriers, Terminals, Transitions, Removable Barrier Sections and Crash Cushions

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How the updated SHW will interact with drawings/models (2/3)

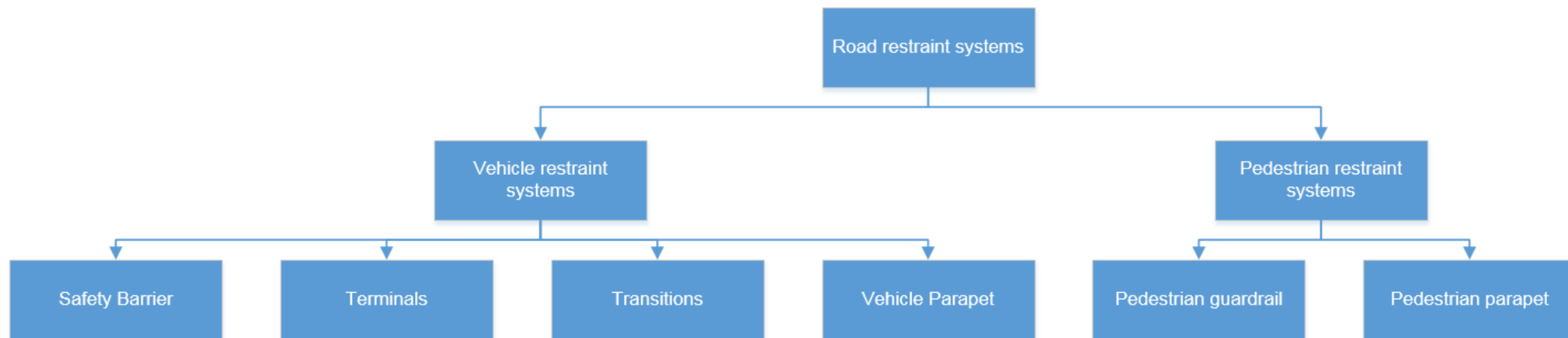


Align titles with objects and materials which are likely to be shown and referred to on a drawing/model

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How the updated SHW will interact with drawings/models (3/3)



- Think about what the bottom level is
- List of all relevant materials or objects
- Consider also installation, verifications, documentation requirements as relevant

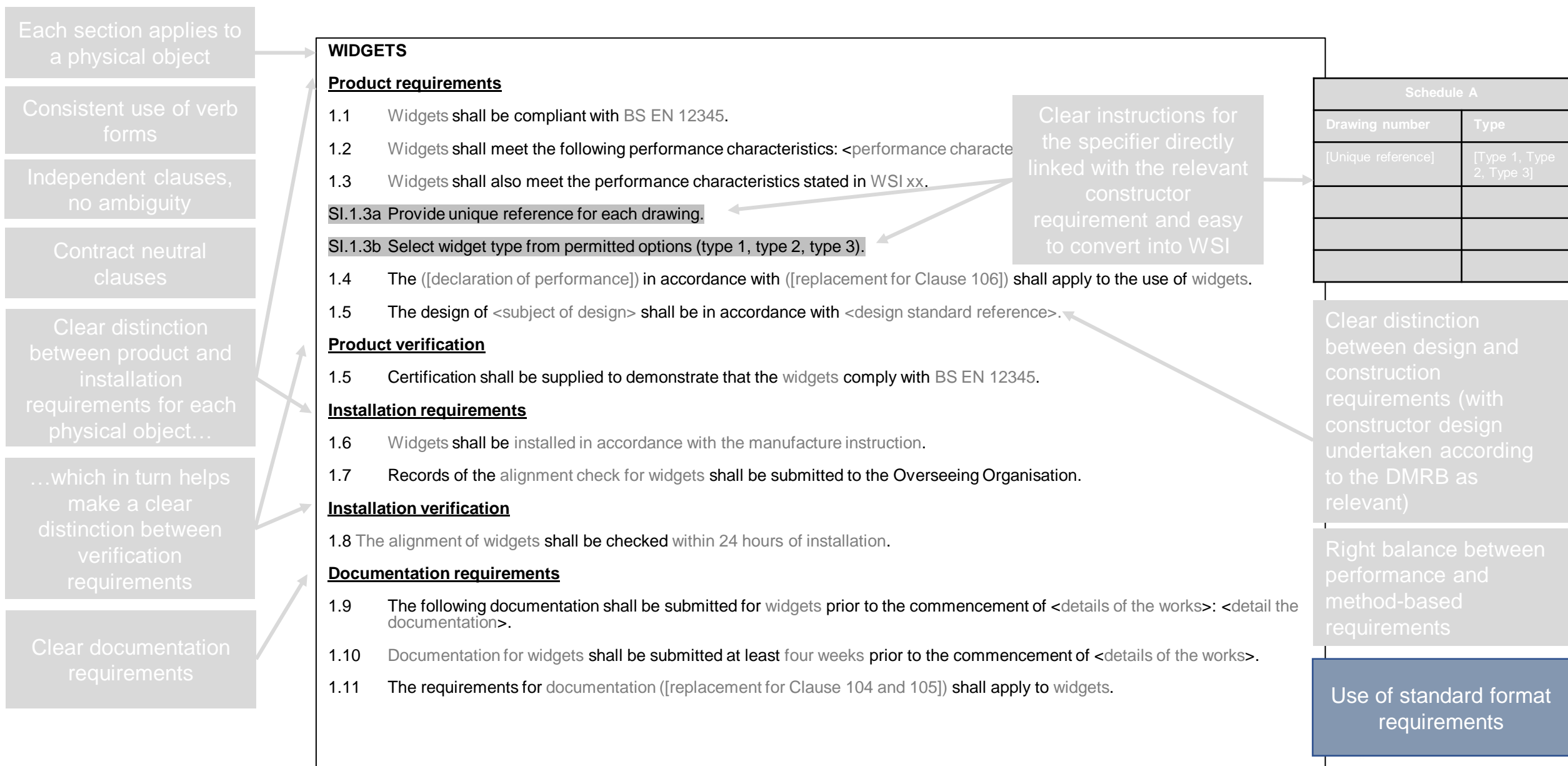
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Key takeaways on section title and cross references

- All requirements within a section shall apply to the physical object, material, activity or collective term that is the subject of the title
- Need to introduce appropriate titles to support cross referencing as well as to map to drawings / models
- When reviewing the sections in your documents, go step by step down in terms of level of detail, from systems to specific products and materials



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








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Standard format requirements list

- ☒ Harmonised Standard (list)
- ☐ Harmonised Standard (table)
- ☐ Harmonised Standard (list + included in the works specific inputs)
- ☐ Harmonised Standard (table + included in the works specific inputs)
- ☐ Products covered by Product Certification Schemes (list)

Example

X.X <Subject of standard> shall be compliant with <reference to standard>.

X.X+1 The <subject of standard> shall meet the following performance characteristics: <list performance characteristics>.

X.X+2 The ([declaration of performance]) in accordance with ([replacement for Clause 106]) shall apply to the use of <subject of declaration of performance>.

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Key takeaways on SFR (1/2)

- The following standard format requirements (SFR) shall be used to introduce the requirements contained in the SHW:
 - General requirements in SHW
 - WSI-related requirements
 - Single instruction for the WSI
 - Schedule for the WSI
 - Constructor requirement that can be changed in the WSI
 - Verification requirements
 - Documentation requirements
 - Constructor design requirements
 - Requirements on products covered by:
 - Designated / Harmonised Standards
 - Non-designated / non-harmonised standards
 - Product certification schemes
 - Requirements on products not covered by standards (Product acceptance schemes)
 - NHSS
 - Weather restrictions

Key takeaways on SFR (2/2)

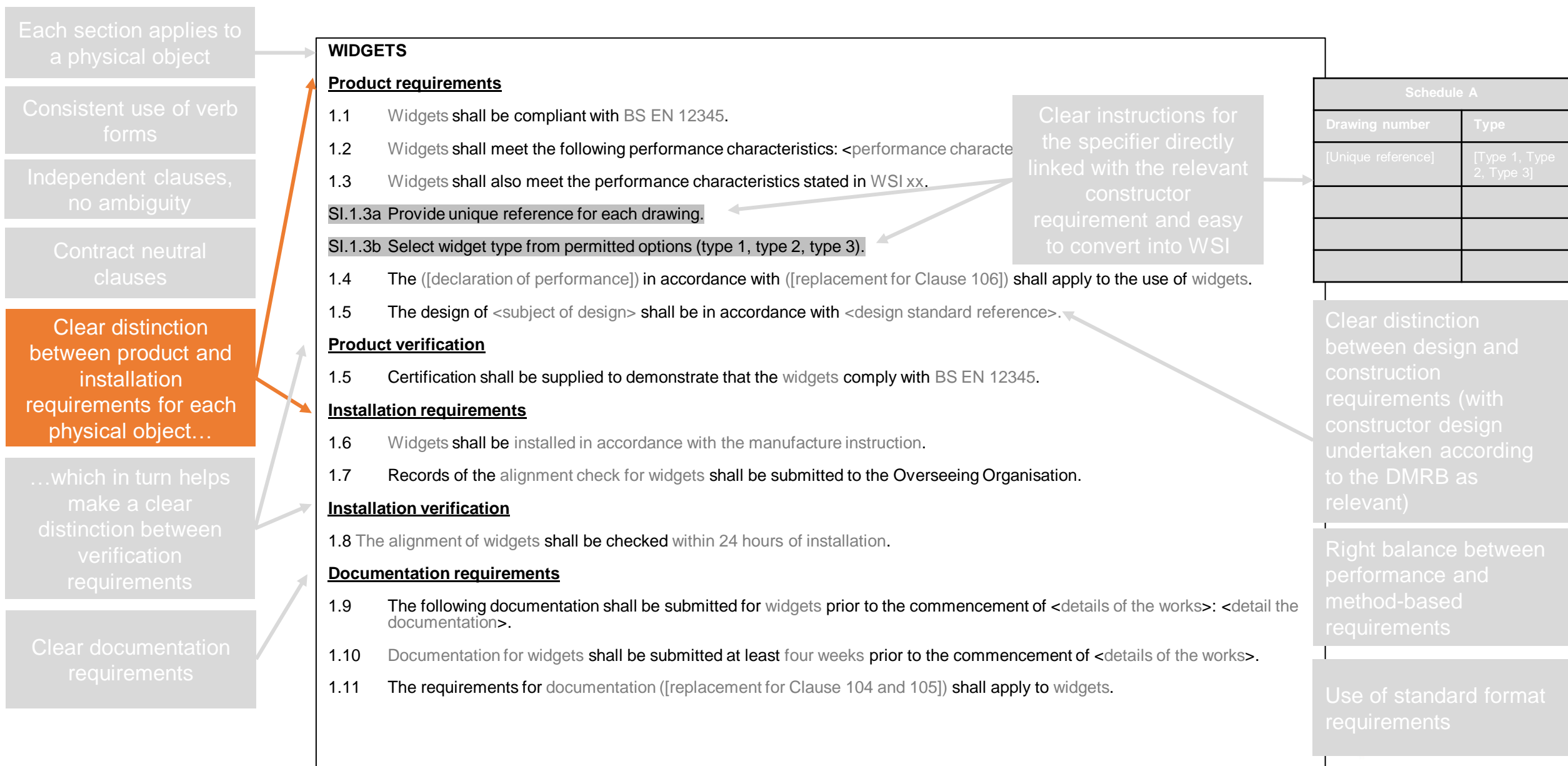
Please discuss with your content specialist about opportunities to develop additional SFR including the following.

- Installation requirements
- UK / European Assessment Documents
- Temporary objects and materials
- Existing objects and materials
- Tolerances

A5 Product and installation requirements

- Specifying product requirements
- Specifying installation requirements

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Detangling existing clauses

3 (02/20) Brickwork shall comply with Series 2400 and be built with mortar designation (i) in English bond. The joints of brickwork where exposed shall be finished as specified for unpointed joints in Clause 2412. The ends of all pipes shall be neatly built into the brickwork and finished flush with mortar designation (i). Where precast concrete adjusting units are used they shall conform to BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3. Benching width for chambers detailed on HCD drawing numbers F25 to F27 shall be 300mm for branch connection.

4 (02/20) Precast concrete chambers shall comply with BS 5911-3 and BS EN 1917 and the particular requirements described in contract specific Appendix 5/1. Cast in situ concrete chambers shall be constructed of ST4 concrete complying with Clause 2602 and the particular requirements described in contract specific Appendix 5/1.

5 (02/20) Corrugated galvanized steel chambers shall comply with Clause 501 with in situ ST4 concrete inverts and precast concrete cover slabs complying with BS 5911-3 and BS EN 1917 and the particular requirements described in contract specific Appendix 5/1. They shall be surrounded with well graded granular material Class 6M as described in Table 6/1 compacted in accordance with Clause 612.

6 (02/20) Where the depth of invert of chambers, excluding inspection chambers, exceeds 900mm below the finished surface of the carriageway or the adjacent ground, chamber steps complying with BS EN 13101 shall be built in accordance with relevant Series F-HCD Drawings. The steps shall have a declaration of performance for their intended use within the permanent works. Threaded components shall be galvanised in compliance with Clause 1909.

7 (02/20) Excavation around chambers, except those described in sub-Clause 5 of this Clause, shall be backfilled with general fill material as described in Table 6/1 and compacted in compliance with Clause 612. Where mechanical compaction is impracticable, the excavation shall be backfilled with ST2 concrete. Where there are precast concrete access shafts to precast concrete chambers, the shafts shall be surrounded by a minimum thickness of 150mm of ST4 concrete, and the remaining excavation backfilled with general fill material as described in Table 6/1 compacted in compliance with Clause 612.

8 (02/20) Chambers for foul drains shall be tested for watertightness in accordance with Clause 509 and where required in contract specific Appendix 5/1.

9 (02/20) Chamber covers, gratings and frames shall be as described in contract specific Appendix 5/1 and shall comply with BS EN 124: 1994 and sub-Clauses 11 and 20 of this Clause. The cover shall be of suitable material, design and construction to achieve the required in-service skid resistance potential determined by the accelerated polish test method described in BS 9124. The Polished Skid Resistance Value (PSRV) shall be as stated in contract specific Appendix 5/1. The Unpolished Skid Resistance Value (USRV) is not an acceptable alternative to demonstrate in-service skid resistance.

10 (02/20) Class D 400 units and above shall incorporate a permanent non-rock feature either triangular point suspension or machined faces. Where a cover is required to be seated in a frame the design life of the seating shall match that of the frame. The seating shall not reduce the performance characteristics of the frame and cover.

11 (02/20) Bolts supplied for loosely coupling separate sections of covers and gratings shall be steel hexagon headed, complying with the requirements of BS EN ISO 4016, BS EN ISO 4018 and BS EN ISO 4034 and be galvanised in compliance with Clause 1909. They shall not be less than size M16 complete with hexagon nut and shall be provided with means to prevent undue tightening of unit sections.

12 (02/20) Unless otherwise specified in contract specific Appendix 5/1, all covers, gratings and frames shall be supplied in a fine cast (uncoated) condition. Where a coating is specified in contract specific Appendix 5/1, the coating shall only be applied when the surfaces of the casting are clean, free from rust and dry.

13 (02/20) Requirements for special duty covers for use in carriageways shall be as described in contract specific Appendix 5/1.

14 (02/20) Gratings for catchpit chambers shall have a minimum waterway area as described in contract specific Appendix 5/1.

15 (02/20) Two sets of lifting keys shall be delivered to the Overseeing Organisation for each type of cover supplied. At least two keyways, as detailed on HCD Drawing No. F17, shall be provided in each complete cover, one in each segment for segmental covers. A recess for a prising bar shall be incorporated in manhole covers unless other means of loosening the cover from the frame are provided.

16 (02/20) Frames for chamber covers and gratings shall be set in cement mortar designation (i) complying with Clause 2404 or a quick setting mortar of equivalent strength with a declaration of performance for its intended use. The declaration of performance shall be submitted to the Overseeing Organisation.

17 (02/20) For all pipelines except those constructed with corrugated pipes the nearest joint to any chamber shall be not more than 500mm from the inner face of the wall and shall not be restricted by any concrete. Between this and the next joint, the length of the articulated pipe shall be in accordance with Table 5/6.

TABLE 5/6: (02/20) Length of Articulated Pipe

Nominal Pipe Diameter (mm)	Length of Pipe (mm)
450 and less	500 to 750
Greater than 450	750 to 1000

18 (02/20) Where the adjustment or replacement of existing frames and covers or gratings is required, the units shall be taken up and re-fixed or removed and replaced with new units complying with sub-Clauses 9 to 15 of this Clause, or as described in contract specific Appendix 5/1. On taking up or removal of the unit, any concrete or mortar bedding shall be broken out and the surface prepared. Where existing frames and covers or gratings are to be adjusted, the Contractor shall take up the unit and clean it so it is free from existing mortar, any debris, rust and is dry before re-use. The adjusted or replaced units shall be laid on a mortar bed complying with sub-Clause 16 of this Clause. The finished thickness of the mortar bed shall be between 10mm and 25mm. Where required in contract specific Appendix 5/1, covers and gratings shall be bedded using a quick setting high strength mortar with a declaration of performance for its intended use. The declaration of performance shall be provided to the Overseeing Organisation before use. Unless otherwise described in contract specific Appendix 5/1, adjusted or replaced frames and covers or gratings shall be set flush with the new or reinstated surface. Any additional adjustments shall be by modifying the brickwork, or adjusting units in accordance with BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3, in compliance with sub-Clause 507.3 or by using a frame of a suitable depth. On completion of the works, each cover shall be lifted and the frame and seating cleaned.

19 (02/20) Unless otherwise specified in contract specific Appendix 5/1, chamber covers shall have the following minimum clear opening requirements:

- (i) rectangular frame 600mm, with a minimum diagonal measurement of 700mm;
- (ii) circular frame minimum diameter of 700mm.

20 (02/20) Vents are not required in chamber covers unless otherwise stated in contract specific Appendix 5/1.

21 (02/20) Where stated in contract specific Appendix 5/1 the sealing of a cover within the frame is required.

22 (02/20) Access covers with a clear opening of greater than 1m shall comply with BS 9124.

23 (02/20) Where pins or circlips are used as part of the securing device these shall be of equal cross-sectional area.

24 (02/20) Chamber tops and gully tops shall be bedded upon material which has the following properties:

- (i) non-shrinkable;
- (ii) a minimum workable life of 15 minutes;
- (iii) a compression strength that exceeds 30N/mm² within 3 hours of placing; and,
- (iv) a tensile strength that exceeds 5N/mm² within three hours of placing.

25 (02/20) The bedding beneath the chamber top or gully top frame shall be free of voids.

26 (02/20) Packing materials shall not be used in the bedding of chamber tops and gully tops.

27 (02/20) Seatings of covers within frames shall have been manufactured to ensure that, when trafficked, stability and quietness are achieved in accordance with BS EN 124: 1994.

28 (02/20) The frame bearing area shall have the following properties:

- (i) the nominal bearing pressure in relation to the test load in BS EN 124:1994;
- (ii) frames have an overall minimum bedding width of 50mm of metal and a maximum overall bedding width of 120mm of metal; and,
- (iii) for openings with corners, the external corners of the frame are solid (unless test data are provided that demonstrate the inclusion of holes does not reduce the structural integrity of the system) and may be square, curved or chamfered but at no point shall the width be less than the minimum bedding width.

29 (02/20) The bedding flange shall have a minimum thickness of 5mm.

30 (02/20) Where vertical frame stiffening webs/gussets are provided, they shall be located adjacent to seatings.

31 (02/20) The tops of such triangular webs/ gussets shall be in accordance with BS 7903.

32 (02/20) There shall be no holes within the seating areas of the bedding flanges beneath the cover seatings.

33 (02/20) Any holes within flanges within the bedding area of the frame shall be minimal and not reduce the specified bearing area of the frame.

(02/20) **Placing of Frames and Covers**

34 (02/20) The frame of chamber tops and gully tops shall be placed on the bedding material so that all webs of the frame are fully supported by the frame supporting structure.

35 (02/20) The bedding surface shall permit a bedding thickness of between 10mm and 75mm.

36 (02/20) The webs of the frame shall not overhang the internal faces of the frame supporting structure.

37 (02/20) Any holes within the frame shall be infilled with bedding material and the flanges of the frame enveloped by a minimum thickness of 10mm of the same material.

38 (02/20) Exposed surfaces of the bedding material around the outside of the chamber or gully top frame shall be floated to fill any voids and remove loose fragments.

39 (02/20) The exposed surface of the bedding material inside the chamber shall be pointed to a smooth finish.

40 (02/20) Surround materials shall only be placed in contact with the frame once the bedding material has set.

(02/20) **Placement of Cover Surround Materials**

41 (02/20) Where a self-setting fill material is used this shall be placed no higher than 40mm below the finished surface level.

(02/20) **Securing Chamber Covers and Frames**

42 (02/20) Chamber covers and frames shall be secured to ensure that they are not dislodged by a vehicle.

(02/20) **Reinstatement Works**

(02/20) **Frame Supporting Structure**

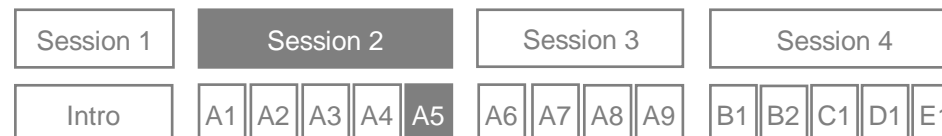
43 (02/20) Where rebuilding involves more than one course of brickwork or precast concrete cover frame seating ring, an adjusting course shall be used to meet the specified finished surface level.

44 (02/20) Frame supporting structure reconstruction shall be engineering bricks in compliance with Clause 2400 (without holes or frogs) or adjusting units in accordance with BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3, bedded on mortar that achieves a compressive strength exceeding 20N/mm² Class Md in accordance with BS EN 998 and Clause 2404 before loading.

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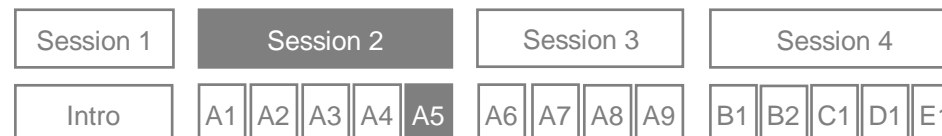
Product and installation requirements

- **Make a clear distinction between product and installation (workmanship) requirements.**
 - With a few exceptions, product legislation, product standards, product certification and acceptance do not apply to the installed product, only to the product as it arrives on site.
 - Making a clear distinction between installation (workmanship) and product requirements allows a clear specification of verification requirements.
- Few changes to established practice.

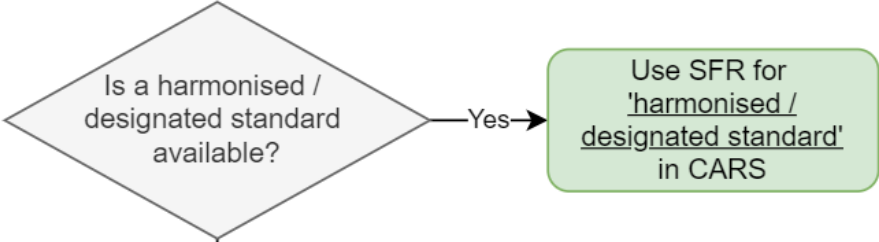


Specifying product requirements (1/6)

- For each object and material to be specified in the SHW, **determine whether an external standard is available.**
- External standards include:
 - Harmonised / designated standards
 - Non-harmonised / non-designated standards
 - European Assessment Documents (EADs)



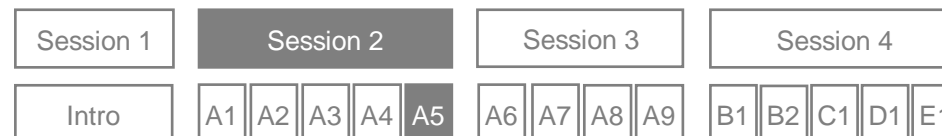
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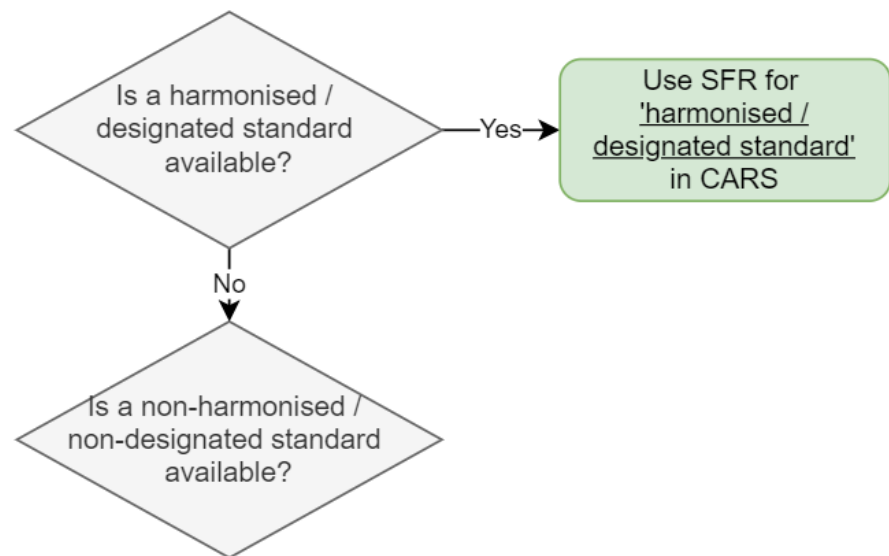
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Additional information on specifying product requirements covered by harmonised / designated standards

- **Do not specify additional requirements on the object or material beyond Annex ZA**, which covers the essential characteristics or the purchaser options permitted by the standard.

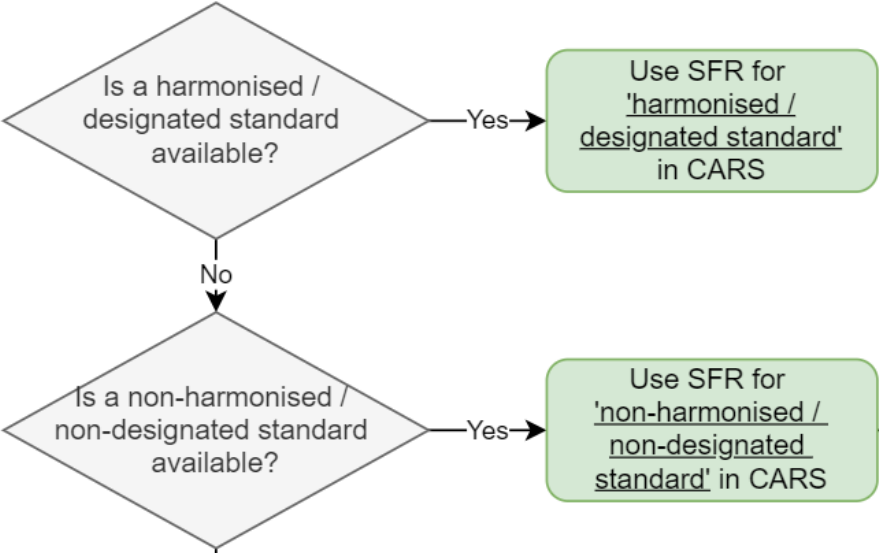


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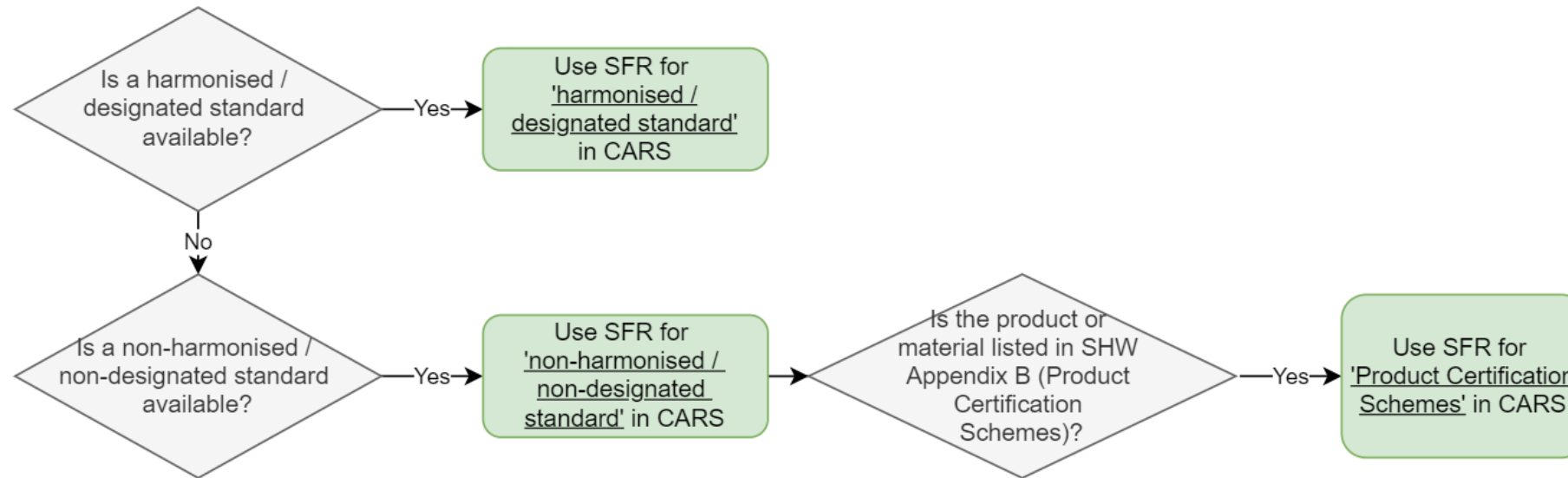
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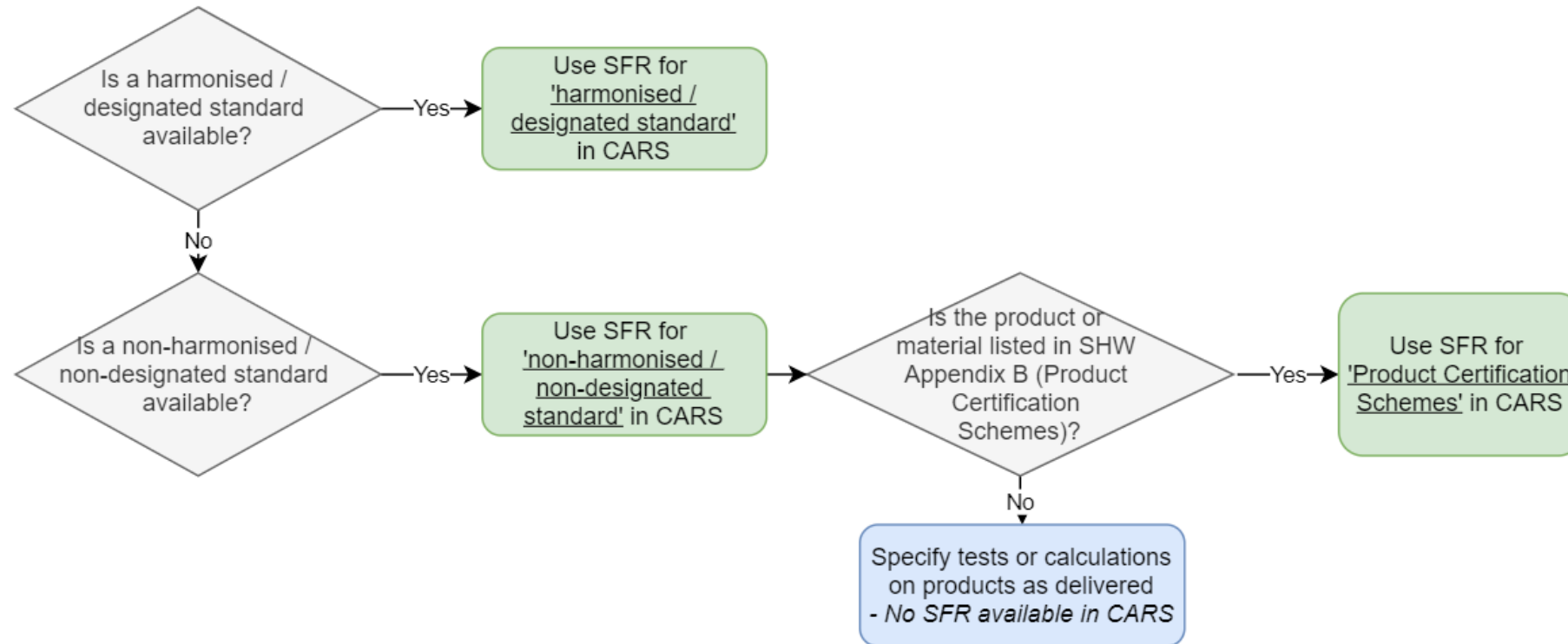
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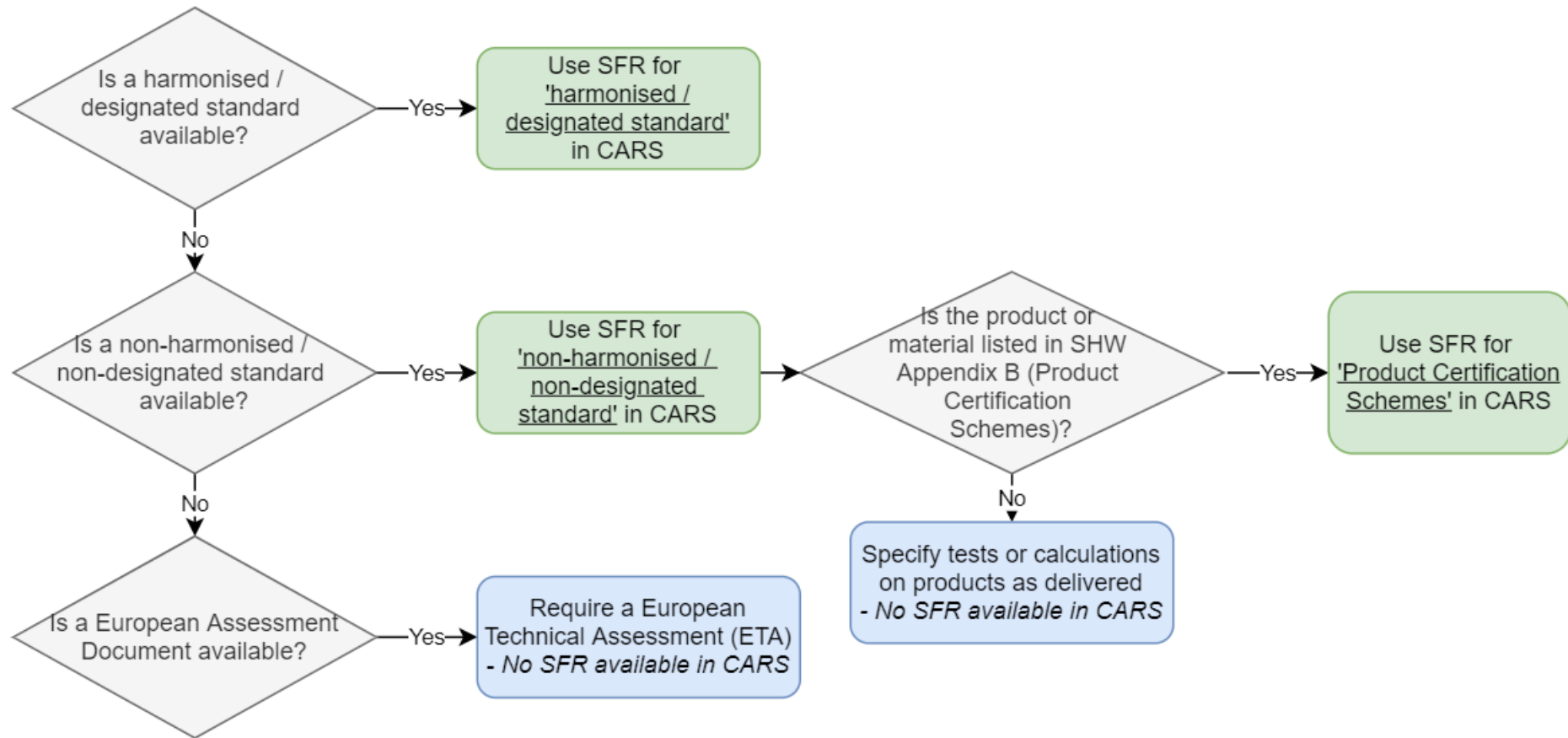
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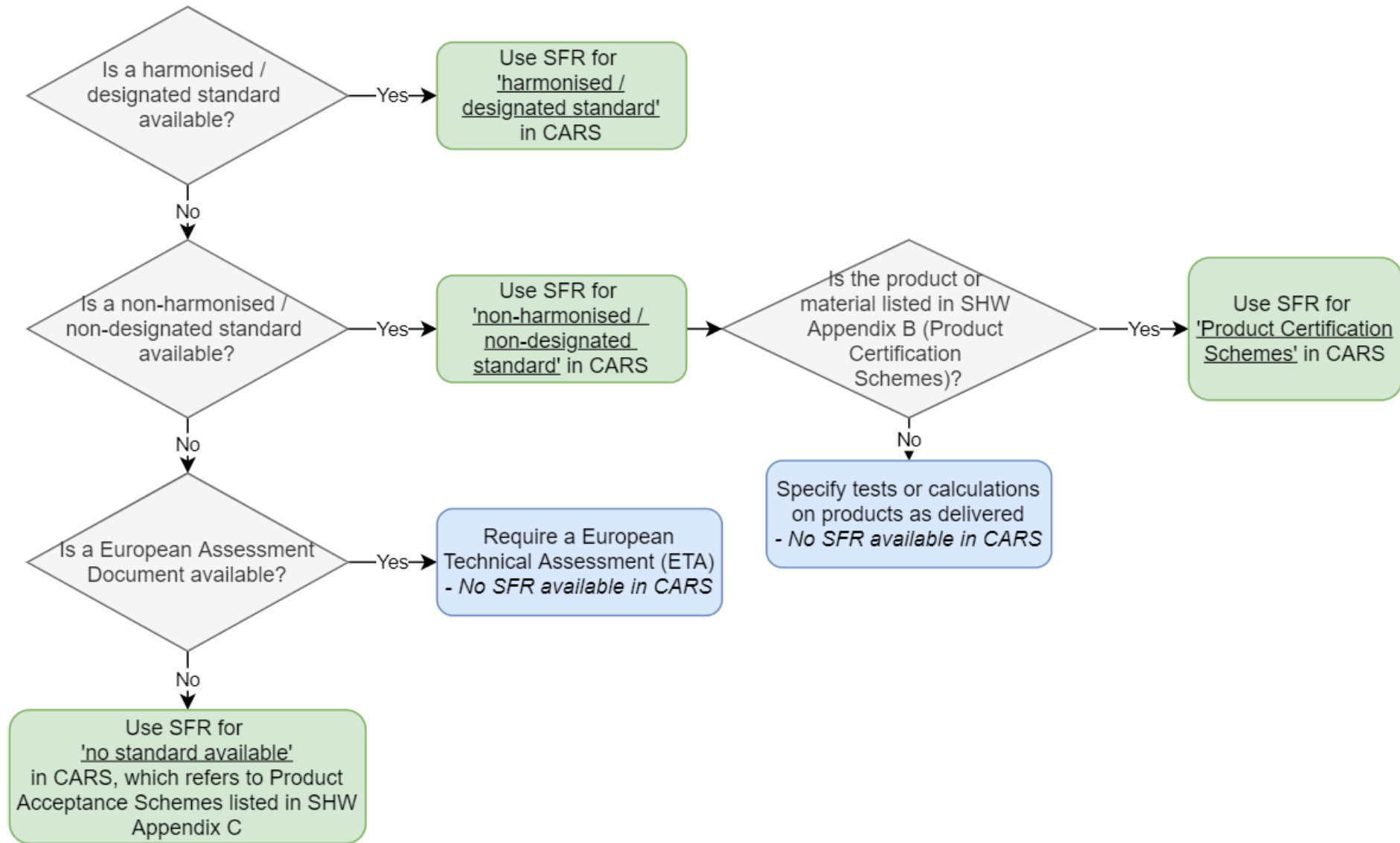
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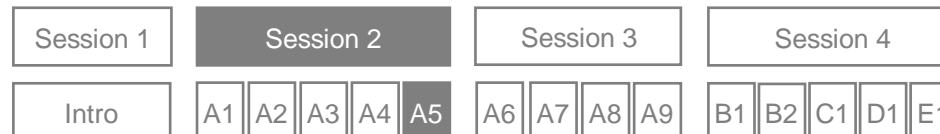
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Specifying product requirements (6/6)



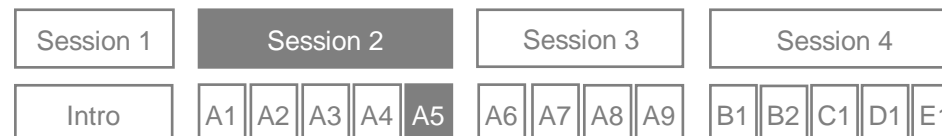
Additional information on specifying product requirements not covered by standards

- In the UK, the criteria for the acceptance schemes are met by the relevant British Board of Agrément Certificates, Roads and Bridges Certificates, HAPAS certificates and CARES certificate.
- Due to procurement rules it is not possible for the Overseeing Organisations to identify specific Product Acceptance Schemes. Therefore, **the phrase "HAPAS / CARES etc. or equivalent" shall not be included in the constructor requirements.** Instead, reference shall be made generically to "product acceptance schemes" as in the SFR.



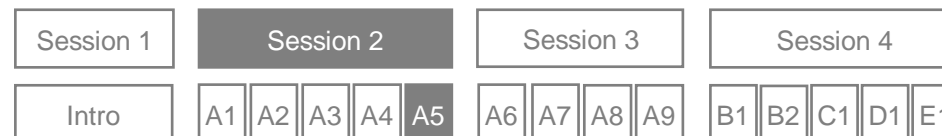
Specifying installation requirements

- The constructor requirements may include requirements on installation in all cases.
- However, such requirements shall not contradict the installation methodology set out in:
 - any relevant product's installation information or any installation requirements in harmonised/designated standards and EADs;
 - any relevant product's and manufacturer's installation information or any installation requirements in non-designated / non-harmonised standards;
 - the relevant Product Acceptance Scheme.
- **No Standard Format Requirements (SFR) for installation** – opportunities to introduce those will be identified during drafting stage.



Additional information on specifying installation requirements

- **Requirements for workmanship trials prior to the works shall be described fully**, with hold points to allow for the scrutiny by the Overseeing Organisation.



National Highway Sector Schemes (NHSS)

- Reference to NHSS is made using a standard format requirement in CARS.
- See also current SHW Appendix A for work, goods or materials that are the subject of a quality management scheme.

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Example

☐ Products covered by non-designated or non-harmonised standards (WSI)
 ☒ National Highway Sector Schemes
 ☐ Weather restrictions (list)

X.X <Subject of NHSS> shall be <operations covered by NHSS> by organisations registered to and operating in compliance with a quality management scheme in accordance with [(replacement for Clause 104.8-11)].

Table A/1: (05/14) List of Mandatory National Highways Sector Schemes

The following NHSS are mandatory subject to the limitations given in the comments column:

Scheme Number	Scheme Name	Comments
Scheme 2A:	The Design and/or Supply, Installation and Repair of Fences for Infrastructure Works (National Scheme applies)	Applies to all design, supply, installation and repair of fences excluding design and supply where these terms refer to the design or manufacture of products that fall within the scope of the Construction Products Regulation.
Scheme 2B:	The Supply, Installation, Maintenance and Repair of Vehicle Restraint Systems (National Scheme applies)	Applies to all supply, installation, maintenance and repair of vehicle restraint systems made from a kit of parts manufactured off site excluding supply where it refers to manufacture of products that fall within the scope of the Construction Products Regulations.
Scheme 2C	The Design, Supply, Installation and Repair of Environmental Barriers (Structural) for Infrastructure Works (National Scheme applies)	Applies to all design, supply, installation and repair of fences excluding design and supply where these terms refer to the design or manufacture of products that fall within the scope of the Construction Products Regulation.

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Key takeaways on product and installation requirements

- ✓ Make a clear distinction between product and installation requirements.
- ✓ Use relevant standard format requirements (SFR) for products considering whether the product is covered by harmonised / designated standards, non-harmonised / non-designated standards, European Assessment Documents, or is not covered by any standard.
- ✓ Do not refer to specific Product Acceptance Schemes.
- ✓ Inform the content specialists of any opportunity to develop SFR for installation requirements.
- ✓ Describe requirements for workmanship trials fully.
- ✓ Ensure that the constructor has enough information to clearly understand how to procure and install in accordance with the constructor requirements.

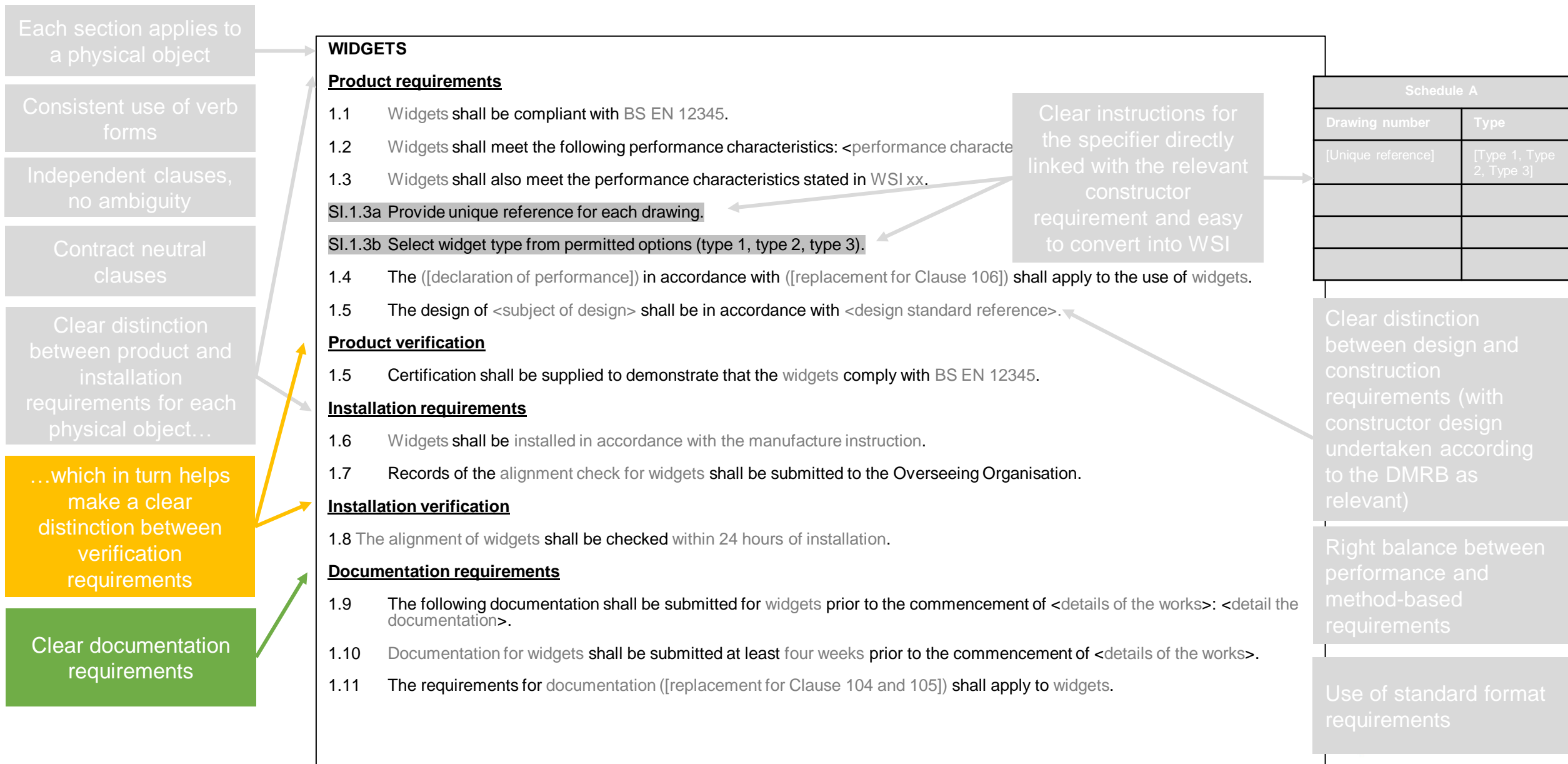
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High-level drafting objectives	Specific drafting rules	
Setting clear requirements to the constructor in the SHW, including clear links with the DMRB	A1: Verb forms A2: Clarity of constructor requirements A3: Section title and cross references A4: Using standard format requirements (SFR) A5: Product and installation requirements	2
	A6: Verification and documentation requirements A7: Other types of constructor requirements A8: Construction vs design requirements A9: Performance and method requirements	3
Setting clear instructions to the specifier in the IfS documents and clear links with the WSI	B1: IfS content, presentation and format B2: Establishing clear links between SHW, IfS and WSI	4
Setting contract neutral requirements to the constructor in the SHW	C1: Contract and product neutrality	
Present national variations clearly and consistently	D1: Nationally Determined Requirements and sections	
Supporting decarbonisation	<i>Specific rules will be provided in a separate module</i>	

A6 Verification and documentation requirements



- Specifying and organising verification requirements
- Specifying and organising documentation requirements
- Validating constructor requirements

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Specifying verification requirements

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☒ Verification within SHW

☐ Verification within WSI

☐ Verification within SHW (no requirement for ([replacement for Clause 105]))

☐ Verification within WSI (no requirement for ([replacement for Clause 105]))

Example

X.X

Verification shall be undertaken for <item to be verified> <description of testing/inspection>.

X.X+1

The frequency of <description of testing/inspection> shall be <frequency of testing/inspection>.

X.X+2

The requirements for Verification ([replacement for Clause 105]) shall apply to <subject of verification>.

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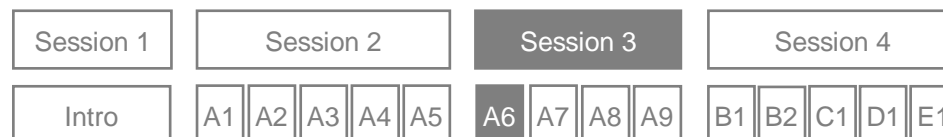
Organising verification requirements

Two types of acceptance criteria:

1. for products coming to site (at the gate)
2. for works completed / products installed which require contract compliance verification



- Additional verification requirements are not allowed for products covered by harmonised / designated standards and EADs/ETAs.
- Additional verification requirements are allowed for other products.

- Verification that the works have been completed / installed correctly can be done by the Overseeing Organisations for all works.



Specifying documentation requirements










- Documentation requirements shall be introduced to prove that other requirements have been carried out.
- Use Standard format requirements for documentation requirements in CARS.



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Standard format requirements list

☒ Documentation

☐ Documentation (technical approval)

☐ Documentation (continuous records)

☐ Documentation (WSI)

☐ Constructor design

☐ Constructor design (included in the works specific inputs)

Example

X.X

The following Documentation shall be submitted for <subject requiring documentation> prior to the commencement of <type of works> works, <detail the documentation>.

X.X+1

Documentation <subject requiring documentation> shall be submitted <timescales, or other requirements if different to those stated in the requirements for Documentation (new section in the introduction documents to give generic documentation requirements)>.

X.X+2

The requirements for Documentation ([replacement for Clause 104 and 105]) shall apply to <subject requiring documentation>.

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Additional information on documentation requirements

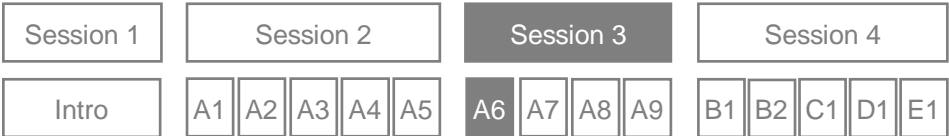
- For products covered by harmonised / designated standards, do not require the submission of documentation in addition to the **Declaration of Performance**, unless the documentation is about safety information and installation instructions.

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Organising documentation requirements

Take a pragmatic approach to introduce documentation requirements

- a. When the documentation requirements are common across multiple objects, keep the documentation requirements under a separate section which can be cross referenced as needed.
- b. When the documentation requirements are specific to each object, keep the documentation requirements under the section of the relevant object.



Validating constructor requirements

A link shall be established between constructor requirements and related verification and documentation requirements for validation purposes.

- See also [Verifiable content](#)

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CARS functionality for validation

New CARS
functionality
available

The screenshot displays the CARS software interface. The main window shows a list of requirements under the heading "7. Long section". The requirements are:

- 7.1 Requirement with shall.
- 7.2 Verification shall be undertaken for <item to be verified> <description of testing/inspection>.
- 7.3 The frequency of <description of testing/inspection> shall be <frequency of testing/inspection>.
- 7.4 The requirements for Verification ([replacement for Clause 105]) shall apply to <subject of verification>.

To the right of the requirements list is a vertical toolbar with icons for undo, redo, add, delete, and other functions. Below the requirements list, there is a section titled "Verification and documentation links". This section contains two questions:

- Does this Constructor Requirement require verification?
No
- Does this Constructor Requirement require documentation?
Not Specified

See training on CARS

Q15 to Q17 on Menti

Key takeaways on verification and documentation requirements

- ✓ Use Standard format requirements for verification and documentation requirements in CARS
- ✓ Additional verification requirements are not allowed for products covered by harmonised / designated standards and EADs/ETAs, but are allowed for other products
- ✓ Verification that the works have been completed / installed correctly can be done by the Overseeing Organisations for all works.
- ✓ For products covered by harmonised / designated standards, do not require the submission of documentation in addition to the Declaration of Performance, unless the documentation is about safety information and installation instructions
- ✓ When the documentation requirements are common across multiple objects, keep the documentation requirements under a separate section
- ✓ When the documentation requirements are specific to each object, keep the documentation requirements under the section of the relevant object.
- ✓ Validate construction requirements using CARS

A7 Other types of construction requirements

- New and existing objects and materials
- Temporary objects and materials
- Tolerances
- Weather restrictions

New and existing objects and materials

- **Make a distinction between:**
 - requirements which only apply to existing materials or physical objects, and
 - requirements which apply to new materials or physical objects.
- The use of the word "existing" should be used in section titles to identify materials or physical objects which already exist in the site.
- **No SFR – Ask your content specialist for advice and for opportunities to introduce SFR.**

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Example

(05/17) **Acceptance of Proposals**

3 (05/17) Details of the vehicle restraint systems proposed by the Contractor for both new installations or for maintenance of existing systems shall be submitted to the Overseeing Organisation at least four weeks before the commencement of vehicle restraint system work for acceptance with the following supporting information demonstrating compliance with this specification, and the requirements set out in contract specific Appendix 4/1.

Issues:

- New and existing systems are presented in the same sentence
- It should not be for Overseeing Organisation's acceptance

Example

(05/17) Acceptance of Proposals

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Potential redraft

New installations of vehicle restraint systems

- 3.1 The following Documentation shall be submitted for **new installations of vehicle restraint systems** prior to the commencement of **<type of works>** works, **<detail the documentation>**
- 3.2 Documentation for **new installations of vehicle restraint systems** shall be submitted **<timescales>**.
- 3.3 The requirements for Documentation ([replacement for Clause 104 and 105]) shall apply to **new installations of vehicle restraint systems**.

Maintenance of existing vehicle restraint systems covered by harmonised standards

- 3.4. For maintenance of existing vehicle restraint systems covered by harmonised standards, the requirements for **New installations** shall apply.

Maintenance of existing legacy vehicle restraint systems

- 3.5 For maintenance of existing legacy vehicle restraint systems, **<***>**

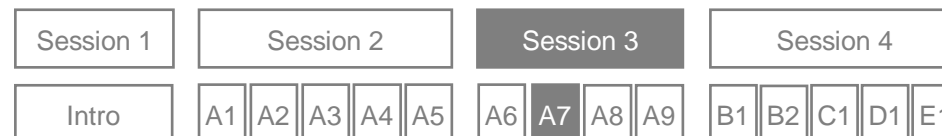
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Documentation **<subject requiring documentation>** shall be submitted **<timescales, or other requirements if different to those stated in the requirements for Documentation (new section in the introduction documents to give generic documentation requirements)>**.

The requirements for Documentation ([replacement for Clause 104 and 105]) shall apply to **<subject requiring documentation>**.

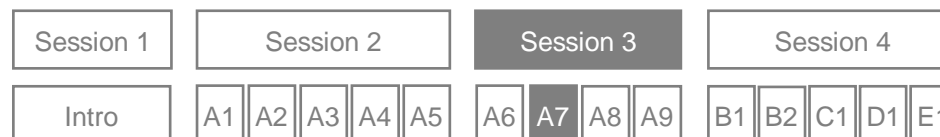
Temporary objects and materials

- The focus of the SHW is on permanent works.
- A differentiation between permanent and temporary works at requirement level can lead to contractual issues.
- **No SFR – Ask your content specialist for advice on this subject and for opportunities to introduce SFR.**



Tolerances

- Allowable tolerances for placement shall be specified for object or material where relevant.
- Tolerances may be specified by reference to an external standard.
- Tolerances may be specified by reference to the works specific inputs.
- **No SFR – Ask your content specialist for advice and for opportunities to introduce SFR.**



Weather restrictions

- For weather restrictions, use the relevant standard format requirements.

Weather restrictions	For <subject of weather restrictions> the following weather-related restrictions shall apply: <list weather restrictions>.	For in situ concrete the following weather-related restrictions shall apply: the ambient air temperature shall be 3°C and rising.
Weather restrictions	For <subject of weather restrictions> the weather-related restrictions stated in Table <reference to table> shall apply.	For in situ concrete the weather-related restrictions stated in Table weather restrictions for in situ concrete shall apply.

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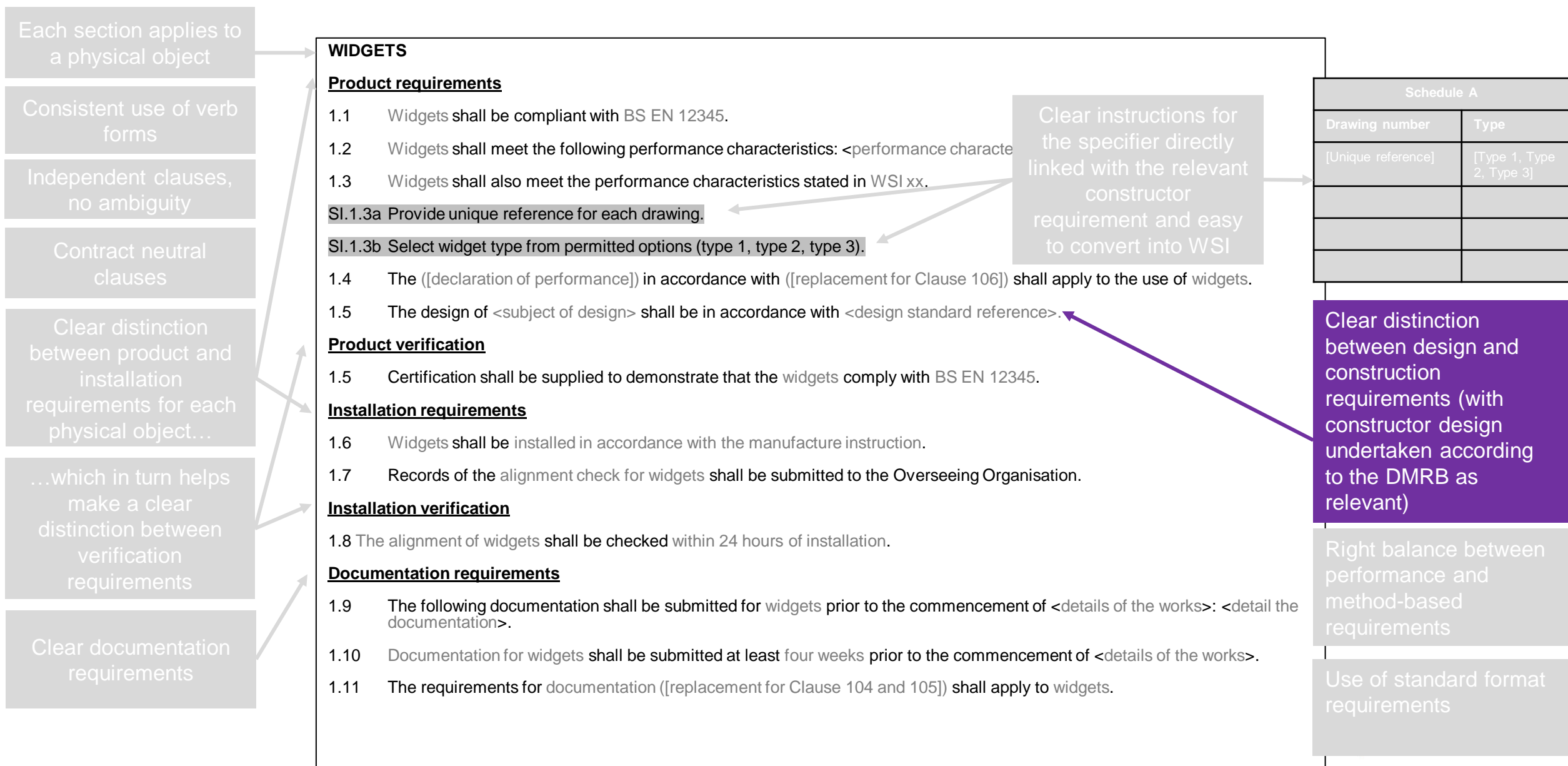
Key takeaways on other types of construction requirements

- ✓ Make a distinction between requirements which only apply to **existing materials or physical objects**, and requirements which apply to new materials or physical objects
- ✓ Ask your content specialist for advice on treatment of **temporary objects and materials**
- ✓ Specify allowable **tolerances** for placement for object or material where relevant
- ✓ Discuss with your content specialist about opportunities for introducing SFR covering the above items
- ✓ For **weather restrictions**, use the relevant standard format requirements

A8 Construction vs design requirements

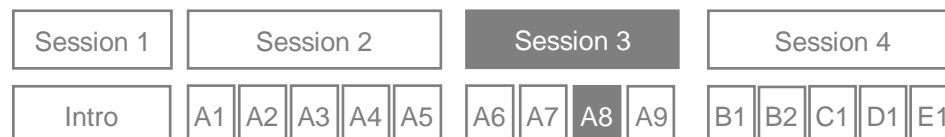
- SHW, WSI and DMRB coverage
- Managing design content in the NfG
- Constructor design

What a good spec looks like



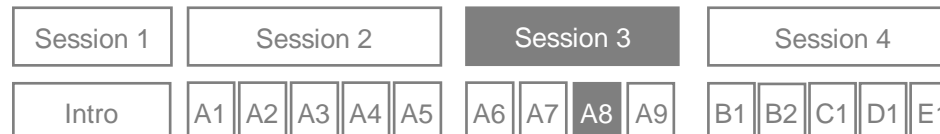
SHW and WSI coverage

- The SHW shall set out standard requirements on construction products and materials, and groups of products and material.
- The works specification (SHW+WSI) will set out the project-specific requirements on products, materials and groups of materials and products (i.e. 'things to be specified').



DMRB coverage

- The DMRB covers design requirements.
- The design is the **process of determining what performance** the products, materials and groups of materials and products (i.e. ‘things to be specified’) need **and where they are to go**.
- (Design) Performance includes decision on:
 - Design service life
 - Maintenance considerations
 - Impact on road users
 - Interaction with other “things to be specified”



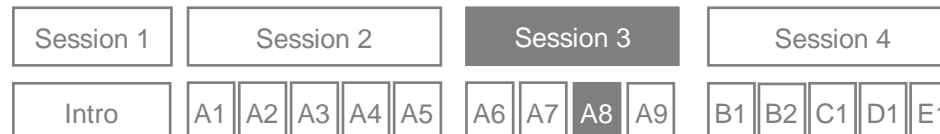
DMRB is about decision on performance

SHW is about how to achieve performance

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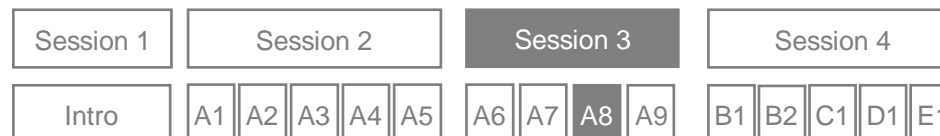
Design content in the NfG

- The NfG documents currently contain some design information that needs to be migrated to the DMRB.
 - In some cases, NfG documents also contain constructor requirements that need to move to the SHW.
 - The SHW series also contain design requirements that need to be migrated to the DMRB (see previous slides).



When reviewing your NfG documents...

- Ask the question: *what is that requirement / advice for?*
 - If it covers a design activity / decision, needs to move to the DMRB
 - If it covers products, materials or activities related to products and materials relevant to construction, needs to move to the SHW
 - If it covers the information that needs to be included in the work specific inputs in order to specify fully relevant objects or materials, needs to move to the IfS
- **We want the specifier instructions to present the outcome of the design into a clear format, not to give guidance on design decisions.**



Example

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Example

2404 Mortar

(05/05) Mortar Work Other Than Unreinforced Masonry Arch Bridges

- 1 Cement mortar for brickwork, blockwork and stonework shall be mixed in the proportions given in Table 24/1 according to the mortar designation described in Appendix 24/1.
- 2 (11/03) The chloride ion content of the mortar determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 shall not exceed 0.3% of the mass of cement for mortar made with Portland cement and 0.2% for mortar made with sulfate-resisting Portland cement. Calcium chloride or admixtures containing calcium chloride shall not be used.

TABLE 24/1: Mortar Proportions by Volume

Mortar designation	Cement: lime: sand	Masonry cement: sand	Cement: sand with plasticiser
(i)	1:0 to 1/4:3	-	-
(ii)	1 1/2:4 to 4 1/2	1:2 1/2 to 3 1/2	1:3 to 4
(iii)	1:1:5 to 6	1:4 1/2	1:5 to 6

NG SAMPLE APPENDIX 24/1: BRICKWORK, BLOCKWORK AND STONEWORK

[Note to compiler: This should include:]

1. Locations where sulfate-resisting Portland cement is to be used [2401.1].
2. (11/03) Mortar designations for brickwork, blockwork and stonework [2404.1].
3. (05/05) Additional performance requirements for admixtures [see Table 2 and 3 of BS EN 934-3] [2404.3].

NG 2404 Mortar

(05/05) Mortar Work Other Than Unreinforced Masonry Arch Bridges

- 1 (05/05) Table 24/1 is confined to the more durable mortars which can withstand exposure to severe weather. Further guidance is given in BS 5628-1 and BS 5628-3.
- 2 An important consideration besides durability when selecting a mortar for a particular use is that increasing strength is accompanied by decreasing ability to accommodate movements such as drying shrinkage, expansion or settlement.
- 3 (05/05) Generally for brickwork, blockwork or stonework, mortar designation (i) or (ii) will be appropriate except for reconstructed stone, concrete and calcium silicate bricks and blocks, when mortar designation (iii) should be specified to allow for their relatively high shrinkage. Details of the mortar required for use in the Works should be shown in Appendix 24/1.
- 4 (05/05) Where a plasticiser is to be used the recommendations of the admixture manufacturer should be followed. Where previous evidence of the suitability of the mixer and time of mixing is not available trials should be conducted.

This is background information and explains the scope of Table 24/1. Is this relevant to the constructor such that they can use a less durable mortar submitting a departure? Or is this relevant to the designer?

This provides background on how to make a design choice. It points out that multiple criteria need to be considered to make a choice.

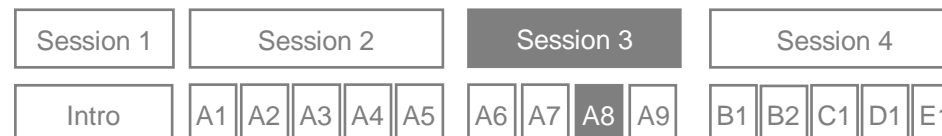
This is a recommendation for design choice.

This is relevant to the specifier and will become the specifier instruction, but it needs to be rephrased.

This needs to be entirely rethought.

Recommended approach to identify and move design content (1/2)

- When updating NfG (and SHW as relevant), the impact on the DMRB needs to be assessed. The following activities will need to be undertaken:
 1. Preliminary screening / filtering exercise to categorise the content and identify content that needs to migrate to the DMRB **(by March 2022)**
 - Relevant to DMRB (requirements, advice, note, background commentary)
 - Relevant to SHW
 - Relevant to IfS
 - Relevant to national variations
 - Redundant, obsolete - to remove
 2. Updating of (about 85%) SHW and NfG and identification of further design content to be migrated to the DMRB **(by December 2022)**
 3. Development of clauses for existing DMRB documents / creation of new DMRB documents **(by April 2023)**



Recommended approach to identify and move design content (2/2)

- In some cases, other documents may rely on the content provided in your own document. A spreadsheet with all relevant cross-references will be provided.
- **Please engage with other technical authors as relevant** – it is recommended they peer review your DMRB clauses / documents and are invited as ‘technical consultees’ during TSC consultation as relevant.



Constructor design

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Constructor design (1/2)

- In situations where the constructor is employed to conduct the design, reference to the DMRB and other relevant standards is to be made.



625 (02/16) Crib Walling

1 (02/16) The Contractor shall design the crib walling listed in contract specific Appendix 1/10 in accordance with the design specification and procedures in contract specific Appendix 6/10 and Design Manual for Roads and Bridges document BD 68 (DMRB 2.1.3).

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Constructor design (2/2)









- Use standard format requirements to introduce constructor design requirements



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Standard format requirements list

☒ Constructor design

☐ Constructor design (included in the works specific inputs)

☐ Constructor design (requiring technical approval)

☐ Harmonised Standard (list)

☐ Harmonised Standard (table)

☐ Harmonised Standard (list + included in

Example

X.X

The design of <subject of design> shall be in accordance with <design standard reference>.

X.X+1

The requirements for design ([replacement for Clause 106]) shall apply to <subject of design>.

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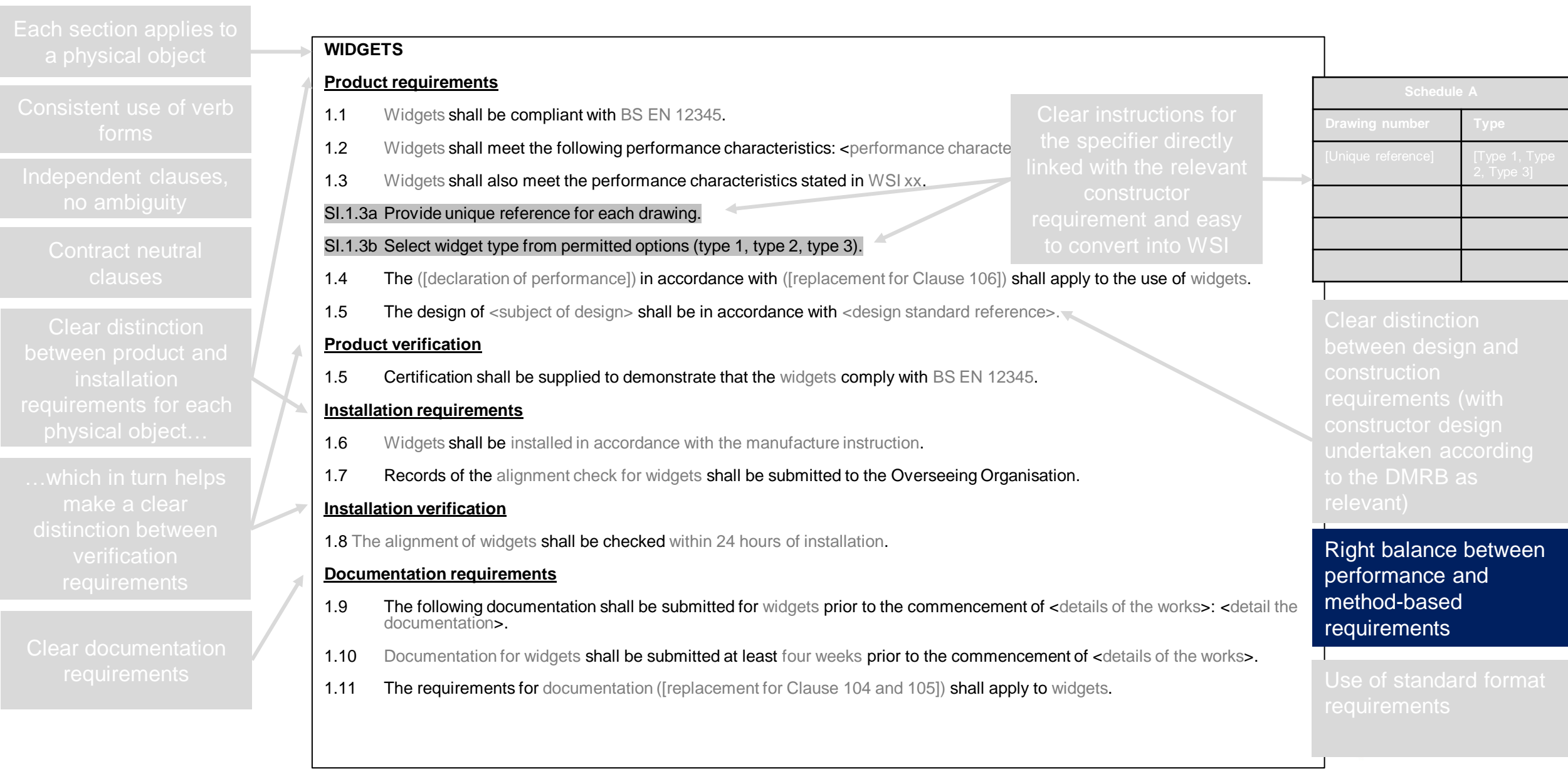
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Key takeaways on construction vs design requirements

- ✓ Remove design requirements (i.e. requirements that need design decisions) from the SHW and move them to the DMRB.
- ✓ Keep construction requirements in the SHW and instructions to specify products and materials in the IfS.
- ✓ Do not duplicate requirements between the SHW and the DMRB.
- ✓ Refer to the DMRB when the constructor is required to carry out design activities.
- ✓ Review NfG content in detail and move design information to the DMRB as relevant.
- ✓ Follow the recommended approach to identify and move design content to the DMRB presented in this section, including timeline.

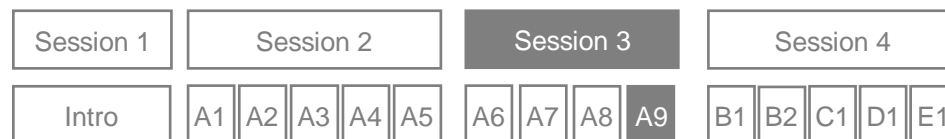
A9 Performance and method requirements

What a good spec looks like



Performance and method requirements

- Document authors shall seek to reduce the number of method-based requirements and increase the number of performance-based requirements.
- **Requirements for products shall, wherever possible, be set out as performance criteria as defined in the product standards.**
- **Requirements for installation/workmanship shall be either method or performance based depending on the case.**
 - Method based requirements are generally suitable for installation/workmanship requirements.
 - Assess the best approach and discuss with your content specialist.



Performance-based requirements

Advantages

- 1. More flexibility to select techniques and procedures to improve the quality or economy, or both, of the end product.
- 2. Promoting innovative solutions
- 3. Accelerating construction

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Performance-based requirements

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. More flexibility to select techniques and procedures to improve the quality or economy, or both, of the end product.2. Promoting innovative solutions3. Accelerating construction	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The client can exert less control over the work2. Opportunities for smaller, local firms may be reduced3. Challenge in identifying all of the parameters critical to performance and establishing related thresholds4. Increase in cost due to risk transfer5. Difficult to enforce performance particularly where there are complex interfaces with split liabilities6. Difficult to enforce performance particularly when dealing with long term assets7. Maintenance issues8. Increased industry costs to control application of performance standards

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Example

(1) Concrete around pre-stressing strand and post-tensioning tendons and anchorages shall be removed by high-pressure water jetting. (2) A lightweight electric demolition hammer or hand tools may be used for final trimming of the area broken out. (3) Removal of concrete around tensioned strand and strand anchorages shall comply with specified sequencing stated in contract specific Appendix 57/3.

What is the final outcome?

No damage to tendons and anchorages

Issues:

- 1st sentence: written as the only way, are there alternatives? Important to have high degree of control for critical matters, whilst considering that H&S is responsibility of the constructor. What is the best approach: method vs performance requirements?
- 2nd sentence: methods of work are responsibility of the constructor; be careful to not include anything that has H&S implications. Please consider that if something goes wrong, it is responsibility of the Overseeing Organisations.
- 3rd sentence: need to refer to the WSI using standard phrase.

Q21 - Q23 on Menti

Key takeaways on performance and method requirements

- ✓ For products, wherever possible, set out requirements as performance criteria as defined in the product standards
- ✓ For installation/workmanship, assess the best approach to be taken between method or performance based depending on the case (consider pros and cons of performance-based requirements)

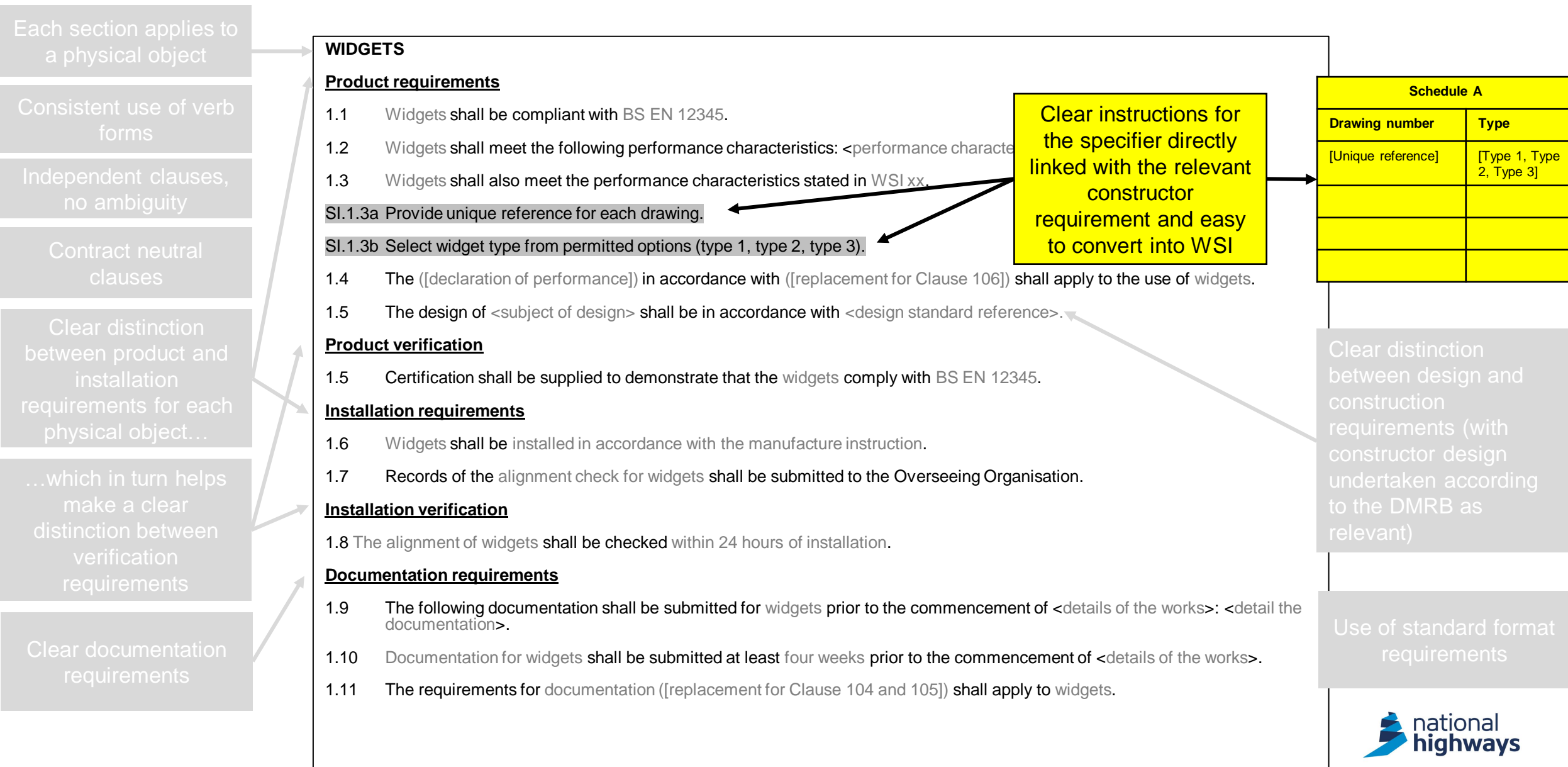
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High-level drafting objectives	Specific drafting rules	
Setting clear requirements to the constructor in the SHW, including clear links with the DMRB	A1: Verb forms A2: Clarity of constructor requirements A3: Section title and cross references A4: Using standard format requirements (SFR) A5: Product and installation requirements	2
	A6: Verification and documentation requirements A7: Other types of constructor requirements A8: Construction vs design requirements A9: Performance and method requirements	3
Setting clear instructions to the specifier in the IfS documents and clear links with the WSI	B1: IfS content, presentation and format B2: Establishing clear links between SHW, IfS and WSI	4
Setting contract neutral requirements to the constructor in the SHW	C1: Contract and product neutrality	
Present national variations clearly and consistently	D1: Nationally Determined Requirements and sections	
Supporting decarbonisation	<i>Specific rules will be provided in a separate module</i>	

B1 IfS content, presentation and format

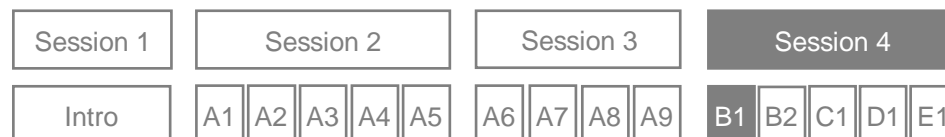
- IfS content
- IfS presentation
- IfS standard format

What a good spec looks like



IfS content

- Specifier instructions shall be instructions to the specifier on producing the works specific inputs (WSI) and shall not include advice or guidance on making design decisions.
- **Role of the specifier will be to take designer's outputs and translate them into information that can be used by the constructor.**
- Such approach supports automation in the production of the WSI



IfS presentation

1	Element	
1.1	Elements shall be compliant with BS 2210.	Constructor requirements
1.2	The class shall be as stated in the works specific inputs.	
SI 1.2	Insert X, Y or Z to represent the class	Specifier instruction
1.3	The height of the element shall be a minimum of 500mm.	

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IfS standard format

- Specifier instructions shall be drafted using the standard format provided on CARS.

For individual instructions (not schedules)

Insert standard format specifier instruction

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Standard formats for specifier instructions

☒ SI.X.X

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☐ SI.X.X

 Enter [number] to represent <subject>.

☐ SI.X.X

 Enter [free text] to represent <subject>.

☐ SI.X.X

 Enter one option taken from [<options defined by the author>], in units of <unit>, to represent <subject>.

☐ SI.X.X

 Enter one or more options taken from [<options defined by the author>], in units of <unit>, to represent <subject>.

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 Enter one or more options taken from [<options defined by the author>] to represent <subject>.

☐ SI.X.X

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For schedules

Insert standard format specifier instruction

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Standard formats for specifier instructions

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☒ SI.X.X

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☐ SI.X.X

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☐ SI.X.X

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☐ SI.X.X

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☐ SI.X.X

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CARS functionality for IfS

See training on CARS

B2 Establishing clear links between SHW, IfS and WSI

- Suggested authoring process
- Case 1: single instruction
- Case 2: simple schedule
- Case 3: 'matrix' schedule
- Support provided to draft IfS and WSI

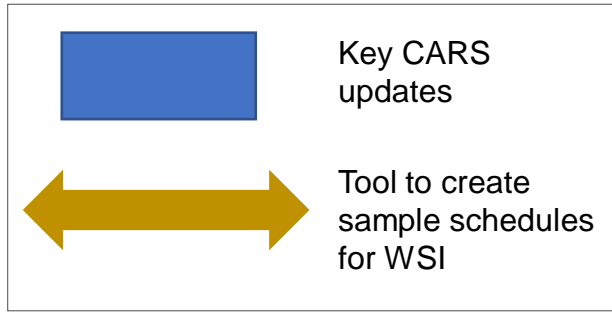
Suggested authoring process

The authoring process should be:

- Update of the constructor requirement(s)
 - Review of the content in contract specific appendices and NfG
 - Definition of content relevant to the specifier linked to specific constructor requirement(s)
 - *For schedules*: development of the expected template / wireframe for the WSI
 - *In all cases*: development of the associated specifier instructions
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- This will help capture relevant data to be shown in the WSI.



MCHW work programme



- SHW standard format requirements
- SI standard format
- Format for national variations

Functionality to validate construction requirements

Functionality to create sample schedules for WSI

Discovery, building and piloting

Training sessions

March 2021:

- New MDD rules for Volumes 1 and 2 issued
- First training sessions for authoring

April 2021:
Start authoring

June 2021:
New MDD rules for Volume 3 drawings

March 2023:
Tool made available

April 2023:
End authoring of last documents

August 2023:
End of TSC stage

December 2023:
final CHE authorisation

June 2024:
last notifications to EC

Big bang publication

March 2025:
End of RIS 2

Case 1: single instruction

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- ☐ SI.X.X Enter one or more options taken from [<options defined by the author>] to represent <subject>.
- ☒ SI.X.X Enter [work specific requirements on <subject> including, where relevant, requirements on <text related to subject>].

1.6 The planned sequence and timing for driving or boring piles, or for installing wall elements, shall be submitted as stated in schedule <<Ref to WSI>>.

SI. 1.6a Enter work specific requirements on ‘planned sequence and timing of driving or boring piles or installing wall elements’.

Redraft
constructor
requirements



Draft related
specifier
instructions
using
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Case 2: simple schedule

- a ☐ SI.X.X Complete field '<field name>', of type single-select list, selecting from options <a, b, c>, to <reason for the column>.
- b ☐ SI.X.X Complete field '<field name>', of type multi-select list, selecting from options <a, b, c>, to <reason for the column>.
- c ☐ SI.X.X Complete field '<field name>', of type number in units of <unit>, to <reason for the column>.
- d ☐ SI.X.X Complete field '<field name>', of type text, to <reason for the column>.
- e ☐ SI.X.X Complete field '<field name>', of type unique reference.

1.6 The Topsoil, grass seed and turf shall be as stated in schedule <<Ref to WSI>>.

Drawing Number	Trench Type	Start Coordinate	End Coordinate	Treatment Type	Depth of Treatment
[Unique ref]	<trench type 1, type 2, type3>	National Grid coordinate system is OSGB36	National Grid coordinate system is OSGB37	<Clause 803 type 1, topsoil, grass seed, turf>	<150mm default>

- SI. 1.6a Complete field 'drawing number', of type unique reference.
- SI. 1.6b Complete field 'trench type', of type single-select list, selecting from options trench type 1, type 2, type3, to identify trench standard detail used.
- SI. 1.6c Complete field 'start coordinate', of type number in units of National Grid coordinate system is OSGB36, to identify where the trench starts.
- SI. 1.6d Complete field 'end coordinate', of type number in units of National Grid coordinate system is OSGB36>, to <identify where the trench ends.
- SI. 16e Complete field 'treatment type', of type single-select list, selecting from options Clause 803 type 1, topsoil, grass seed, turf, to identify how to finish the trench at surface level.
- SI. 16f Complete field 'depth of treatment', of type number in units of mm, to identify the depth of treatment if it is different to the default depth of 150mm.

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constructor
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Sketch
expected WSI
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Case 3: 'matrix' schedule

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ROAD PAVEMENTS – BITUMINOUS BOUND MATERIALS

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Case 3: 'matrix' schedule

1. Split into two sections

2. Rephrase using relevant SFR

Harmonised Standard (list + included in the works specific inputs)	<Subject of standard> shall be compliant with <reference to standard>.	Combined kerb-drainage shall be compliant with BS EN 1433.
	The <subject of standard> shall meet the following performance characteristics: <list performance characteristics>.	The combined kerb-drainage shall meet the following performance characteristics: weather resistance Type R+.
	The <subject of standard> shall also meet the performance characteristics stated in <<Ref to WSI>>.	The combined kerb-drainage shall also meet the performance characteristics stated in <<WSI GC 100/1.1>>.
	The ([declaration of performance]) in accordance with ([replacement for Clause 106]) shall apply to the use of <subject of declaration of performance>.	The ([declaration of performance]) in accordance with ([replacement for Clause 106]) shall apply to the use of combined kerb-drainage.

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3. Capture information for WSI

Schedule 1A: Permitted Pavement Options									
Drawing ref.	Description [eg Mainline]	Area		Design traffic for 40 years (msa)	Design traffic (cv/ lane/day)	Site Category	Investigatory Level	Min PSV/ Max AAV	Permitted pavement option
		Chainage	Lane (Direction)						
		From	To						

Schedule 3: Permitted Construction Materials				
Pavement Layer	Pavement Option [eg A1]		Pavement Option [eg A2]	
	Material Ref.	Thickness (mm)	Material Ref.	Thickness (mm)
Surface Treatment	STA1**		SCA2**	
Surface Course	SCA1**		BCA2**	
Binder Course	BCA1**			
Base	BA1**			
Upper base			UBA2**	
Lower base			LBA2**	
Subbase	SBA1**		SBA2**	
[Other – eg regulating]	RA1**			
Total Thickness				
Capping is not required/is required* as described in contract specific Appendix 6/7. [*Compiler to indicate as appropriate]				

4. Draft related specifier instruction(s)

Case 3: 'matrix' schedule

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- 2.5
- The HRA performance related surface course shall be as stated in schedule <<Ref to WSI>>.
- SI. 2.5a
- Complete field 'pavement option', of type unique reference.
- SI. 2.5b
- Complete field 'surface treatment material ref', of type unique reference.
- SI. 2.5c
- Complete field 'surface treatment thickness', of type number in units of <mm>.
- SI. 2.5d
- Complete field 'surface course material ref', of type unique reference.
- SI. 2.5e
- Complete field 'surface course thickness', of type number in units of <mm>.

Fields	Pavement option	Surface treatment material ref	Surface treatment thickness	Surface course material ref	Surface course thickness	Binder course material ref	Etc.
Pavement option A1	[Unique ref]	[Unique ref]	[mm]	[Unique ref]	[mm]	[Unique ref]	[mm]
Pavement option A2							
Etc.							

Support provided to draft IfS and WSI

- Gareth Smith will continue to run workshops and provide support in conjunction with relevant content specialists.
- Please be in touch for any queries.
- Training material and MDD rules may also be updated to incorporate recurrent themes emerging from the workshops.

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Q24 on Menti

Key takeaways on setting clear instructions to the specifier in the IfS documents

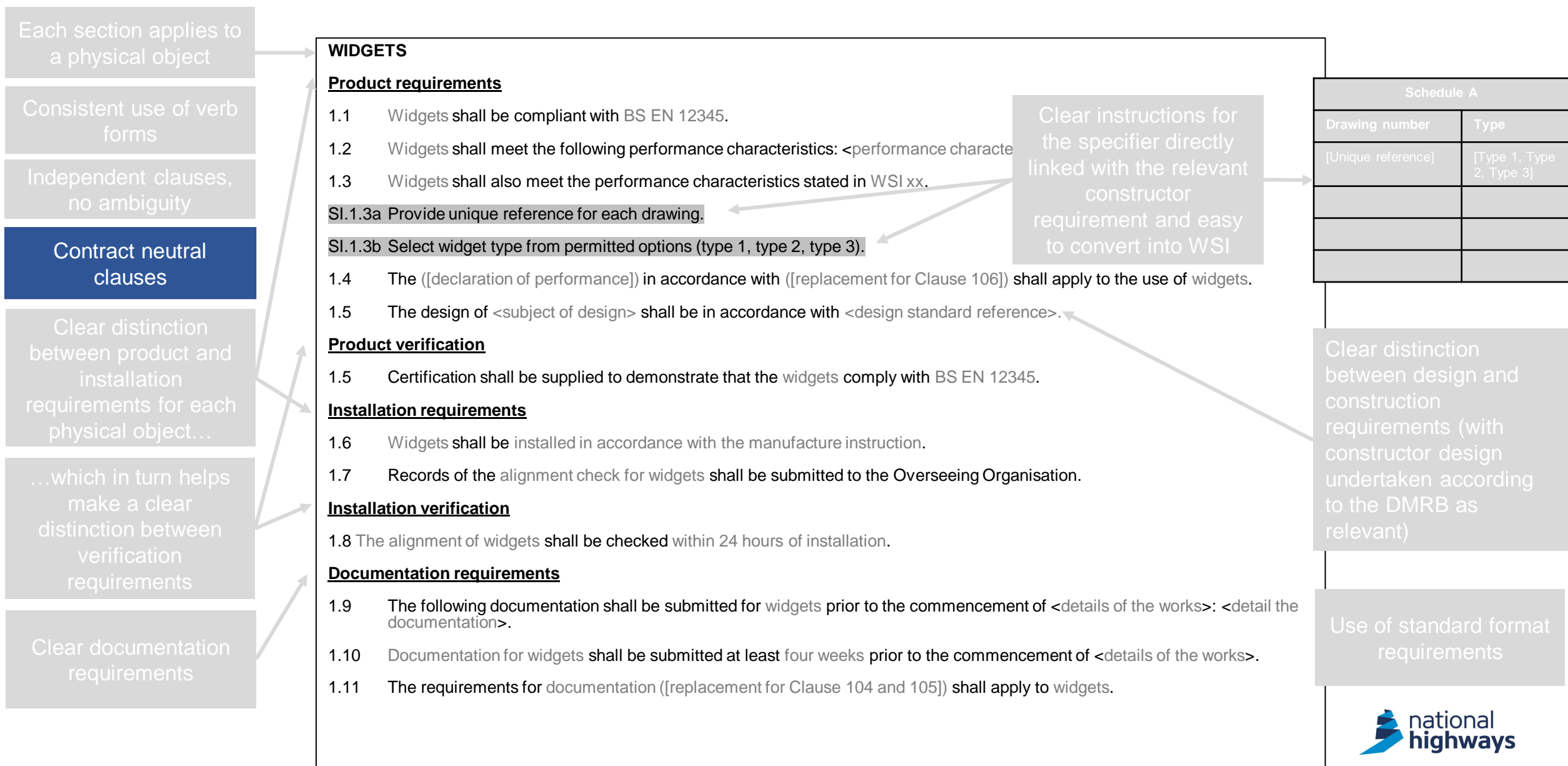
- ✓ Do not include advice or guidance in the specifier instructions
- ✓ Interpretation will no longer be needed to use the Specifier instructions to build the WSI
- ✓ Role of the specifier will be to take designer's outputs and translate them into information that can be used by the constructor
- ✓ Use standard formats for individual instructions (not schedules) and for schedules
- ✓ Update the constructor requirements first, then see the NgG appendices, develop the expected template / wireframe for the WSI (for schedules), in all cases develop the associated specifier instructions
- ✓ Workshops available to discuss this matter

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C1 Contract and product neutrality

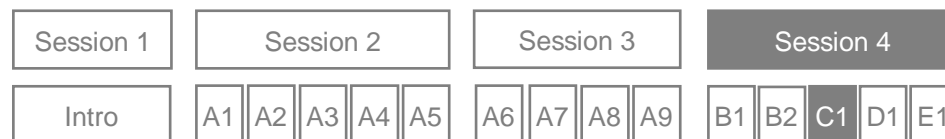
- Why contract neutrality is important
- Things / expressions to avoid
- Product neutrality

What a good spec looks like



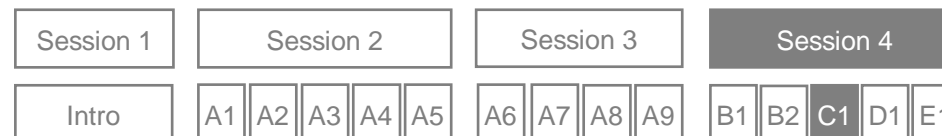
Why contract neutrality is important

- The MCHW needs to work with a variety of different contract types and procurement routes
- In each of these situations the interaction between the Overseeing Organisation and the constructor may be defined differently.
- Contract neutrality is therefore essential.



Approval by the Overseeing Organisations

- **Don't set out obligations on the Overseeing Organisations, nor require approval from them**
- Instead, the Overseeing Organisation should be notified and should require the submission of documentation/information at an appropriate time.



Example

(1) The Contractor and, as appropriate, the Overseeing Organisation or Telecommunications Services Provider shall agree the exact location of these items before commencement of any associated works, including groundworks.

Possible redraft

The exact location of <relevant items> shall be specified before commencement of any associated works, including groundworks.

Aspects to consider

Is there a statutory obligation to get an agreement with third parties? Any form to be signed off?

Reference to the departure process

- **Do not refer to the use of departures.**
 - For example the phrase "unless a departure has been sought" is not permitted.
 - Referencing departures can risk contradictions between the departure process and the contractual change control process.

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Example

In accordance with the provisions of CD 374, the use of recycled concrete aggregates (RCA) as a replacement for natural coarse aggregate is allowed within specific limitations and for particular applications; however its specification would require submission and approval through the Overseeing Organisation's departures process.

Issues / aspects to consider

- This should be a design issue, not a specification issue, wrong place to provide this information. It is here to inform the constructor, but it is not a requirement for constructors
- Need to review the purpose of this clause

Design drawings or models

- **Do not refer to the design drawings or the design model.**
 - Referencing design drawings or models can risk contradicting the delivery model for the particular scheme.

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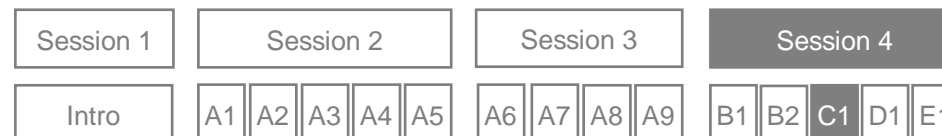
Obligations on other parties

- **Do not place obligation onto any party other than the constructor, such as the ‘designer’ or ‘sub-contractors’.**
 - Requirements for third parties (sub-contractors) have to be put in terms of obligations on the Constructor because policing / enforcement of these requirements is the responsibility of the Constructor.
 - Failure to comply by the third parties will result in the Constructor being held accountable.

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Conflict with contract content

- **Do not introduce requirements which can conflict with other parts of contract or which attempt to rewrite parts of a contract.**
 - Specifications containing the constructor requirements are likely to act as the "Works Information" or "Scope" of a contract.
 - Requirements which conflict with other parts of a contract can cause contractual risk to the Overseeing Organisation.



Example

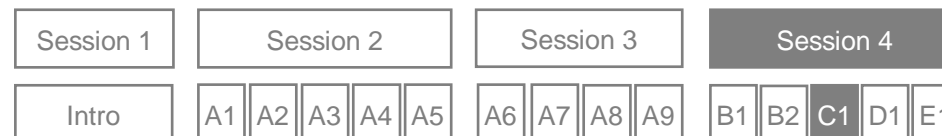
The Contractor shall submit a fully detailed quality plan and method statement for the application of surface protection systems to the Overseeing Organisation for approval at least four weeks prior to commencement of the works.

Issues / aspects to consider

- All works will require a method statement to be submitted. If this is different for surface protection systems, then the relevant requirement for its content should be introduced, not a general requirement for submission.
- This may also cut across the general requirements for quality management and contractual arrangements for commencement and document submission.
- There might not be four weeks between contract award and start of works. The time period might not be appropriate for design and build contracts.
- Other issues: reference to the contractor; approval by the Overseeing Organisation.

When things go wrong

- **Minimise statements about what to do when things go wrong**
 - Requirements such as “*the minimum length of carriageway to be rectified shall be XX m*” can be appropriate, but going into any depth on requirements might limit the site team’s options for contractual non-compliances.



Example

Shall any damage occur to a cable during installation, however slight, the Contractor shall identify and record the damage and report it to the Overseeing Organisation. The damage shall be repaired with cable accessories meeting BS EN 50393 in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and at the Contractor's expense.

Issues / aspects to consider

- Reporting non conformances should be covered by standard terms – front end documents?
- This cuts across the conditions of contract regarding the correction of defects and makes it difficult for the site team to be able to insist on complete replacement of damaged materials.

Conditional expressions

- **Minimise the use of conditional expressions, i.e. the use of requirements that are conditional on something else happening.**
 - It can be common to ask for actions that depend on other factors. E.g. *if the ground conditions allow X then carry out X, if not then carry out Y.*
 - This type of instruction can lead to ambiguity and contractual issues.
 - Such cases can be dealt with WSI.



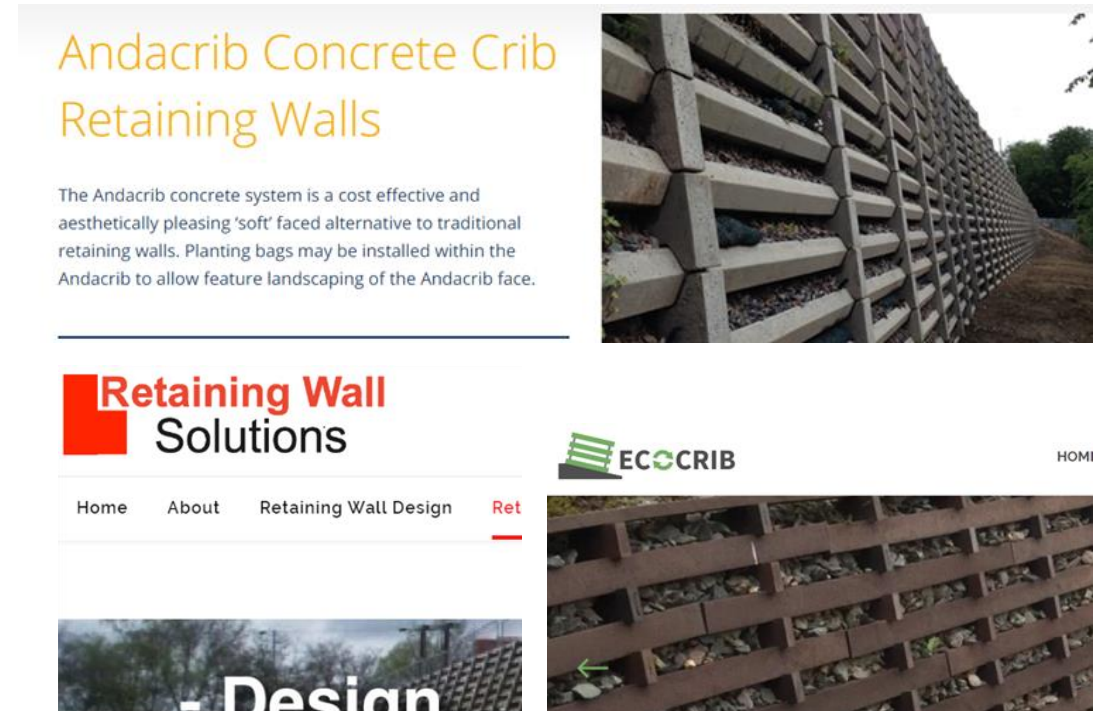
Constructor's duties

- **Do not tell the contractor how to do the work.**
 - Instead, instruct what the outcomes should be and leave the constructor to decide how to get to those outcomes.
- **Do not transfer H&S liability onto the Overseeing Organisation.**
 - Leave the constructor to establish their own safe systems of work.

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Product/Vendor Neutrality

- **Do not specify particular products or Product Acceptance Schemes.**
 - Not allowed by procurement rules because this could be anticompetitive.
 - By not specifying particular products we can increase competition and encourage innovation.



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Key takeaways on contract and product neutrality

- ✓ Do not set out obligations on the Overseeing Organisation
- ✓ Require the submission of documents/information at an appropriate time.
- ✓ Do not refer to the use of departures.
- ✓ Do not refer to the design drawings or the design model.
- ✓ Do not place obligation onto any party other than the constructor, such as the 'designer' or 'sub-contractors'.
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D1 Nationally Determined Requirements and Sections

- Examples of national variations
- Approach to review current national variations
- Nationally Determined Requirements
- Nationally Determined Sections

Example of national variations

Different regulation

HE (main text)

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7	(02/16) Argillaceous rock shall mean shales mudstones siltstones slates and micaceous schists composed of particles of clay silt and mica. It shall include unburnt colliery spoil. Where argillaceous rock is imported onto the site, it shall be aggregate complying with BS EN 13242 from source codes P (natural aggregates described as shale, siltstone or slate), or G2 (refuse from hard coal mining (black coal shale)).
8	(02/16) Pulverised-fuel ash shall mean solid material extracted by electrostatic and mechanical means from the fine gases of furnaces fired with pulverised bituminous coal. It shall have a maximum particle size of 3 mm. Where pulverised-fuel ash is imported onto the site, it shall be aggregate complying with BS EN 13242 from source code C1 (coal fly ash).
9	(02/16) Furnace bottom ash shall mean agglomerated pulverised-fuel ash obtained from the bottom of the power station furnace and having particle size no larger than 10 mm. Where furnace bottom ash is imported onto the site, it shall be aggregate complying with BS EN 13242 from source code C4 (coal bottom ash).
10	(02/16) Formation shall be the top surface of capping. Where no capping is required formation shall be the top surface of earthworks at the underside of sub-base, unless otherwise shown on the drawings.
11	(02/16) Sub-formation shall be the top surface of earthworks at the underside of capping.
12	(02/16) Stabilisation shall mean the spreading of cement or lime or both on a layer of deposited or intact granular or cohesive material, and the subsequent process of pulverising and mixing followed by appropriate compaction to form the whole or a constituent layer of a capping.
13	(02/16) Where 'recycled aggregate' is used in this Series, the material shall be aggregate resulting from the processing of inorganic or mineral material previously used in construction and shall have been tested in accordance with Clause 710. It shall not contain more than 1% other materials (Class X), not more than 50% in Class Ra (bituminous materials) and not more than 25% in Class Rg (crushed glass). Where 'recycled aggregate' is imported onto the site, it shall be aggregate complying with BS EN 13242 from source code A (construction and demolition recycling industries).
Where 'recycled aggregate except recycled asphalt' is used in this Series, the aggregate shall have been tested in accordance with Clause 710. It shall not contain more than 1% other materials (Class X), not more than 1% in Class Ra (bituminous materials) and not more than 5% in Class Rg (crushed glass). Where 'recycled aggregate except recycled asphalt' is imported onto the site, it shall be aggregate complying with BS EN 13242 from source codes A2 (crushed concrete) and/or A3 (crushed bricks, masonry).	
14	(02/16) 'As dug' shall mean material that has been excavated, transported and placed without any processing. Where imported material undergoes any processing, including cleaning and sorting, it will not be deemed 'as dug' and thus shall be aggregate complying with BS EN 13242.

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Additional requirement

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15 (02/16) In addition to any grading requirements the maximum particle size of any fill material shall be no more than two-thirds of the compacted layer thickness except that cobbles having an equivalent diameter of more than 150 mm shall not be deposited beneath verges or central reserves within 1.30 m of the finished surface.

(i) Materials shall conform to the following criteria:

- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (WS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 1500 mg of sulfate (as SO_4) per litre;
- (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as S shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 13242 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant
- or
- (b) The sulfide content of the material determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.5% (as SO_4).

17 (02/16) Material placed within 500mm, or any other distances described in the contract specific Appendix 6/3, of metallic structural elements forming part of the permanent works shall conform, as appropriate, to the following requirements:

- (i) Materials shall conform to the following criteria:
- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (WS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 300 mg of sulfate (as SO_4) per litre; and
 - (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- (ii) Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 13242 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant;
or
 - (b) The sulfide content of the material determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.06% (as SO_4).

The requirements in (i) and (ii) above shall not apply to metallic items protected by concrete or ancillary metallic items such as the tops of chambers and gullies.

20 (02/16) Where pulverised-fuel ash is used, the Contractor shall for each consignment, make available to the
Overseeing Organisation a record of the type and source from which it was obtained and a certificate of results of
tests showing that the material complies with the requirements of Table 6/1.

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- (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 13242 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant
or
- (b) The sulfate content of the mixture determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.5% (as SO_4).

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- (i) Materials shall conform to the following criteria:
- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (WS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 300 mg of sulfate (as SO_4) per litre; and
 - (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- (ii) Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 12342 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant, or
 - (b) The sulfide content of the mixture determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.06% (as SO_2).

The requirements in (i) and (ii) above shall not apply to metallic elements protected by concrete or ancillary metallic items such as the tops of chambers and gullies.

20 (02/16) Where pulverised-fuel ash is used, the Contractor shall for each consignment, make available to the
Overseeing Organisation a record of the type and source from which it was obtained and a certificate of results of
tests showing that the material complies with the requirements of Table 6/1.

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(i) Materials shall conform to the following criteria:

- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (WS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 1500 mg of WS (as SO_4) per litre;
- (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 13242 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant
or
- (b) The sulfide content of the material determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.5% (as SO_2).

When determining WS, TS or sulfide content, at least five samples of each material shall be tested. The mean of the highest two values shall be used for comparison with the limiting values. This shall also apply if six to nine results are available. If ten or more results are available, the mean of the highest 20% of the results shall be used for comparison with the limiting values.

17 (02/16) Material placed within 500mm, or any other distances described in the contract specific Appendix 6/3, of metallic structural elements forming part of the permanent works shall conform, as appropriate, to the following requirements:

- (i) Materials shall conform to the following criteria:
- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (WS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 300 mg of sulfate (as SO_4) per litre; and
 - (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- (ii) Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 12342 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant;
or
 - (b) The sulfide content of the material determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.06% (as SO_2).

When determining WS, TS or sulfide content, at least five samples of each material shall be tested. The mean of the highest two values shall be used for comparison with the limiting values. This shall also apply if six to nine results are available. If ten or more results are available, the mean of the highest 20% of the results shall be used for comparison with the limiting values.

The requirements in (i) and (ii) above shall not apply to metallic items protected by concrete or ancillary metallic items such as the tops of chambers and gullies.

20 (02/16) Where pulverised-fuel ash is used, the Contractor shall for each consignment, make available to the Overseeing Organisation a record of the type and source from which it was obtained and a certificate of results of tests showing that the material complies with the requirements of Table 6.1.

21 (02/16) Where stated in contract specific Appendix 6/1 permissible options for fill materials shall include slate or other argillaceous rock materials as stated.

15 (02/16) in addition to any grading requirements the maximum particle size of any fill material shall be no more than two-thirds of the compacted layer thickness except that cobbles having an equivalent diameter of more than 150 mm shall not be deposited beneath verges or central reserves within 1.30 m of the finished surface.

(1) Materials shall conform to the following criteria:

- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (wS) as SO_4^{2-} determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 1500 mg of sulfate (as SO_4) per litre;
- (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 13342 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant
or
- (b) The sulfate content of the mixture determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.5% (as SO_4).

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- (a) Water-soluble sulfate (WS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 10 shall not exceed 300 mg of sulfate (as SO_4) per litre; and
 - (b) Total sulfur (TS) content determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 clause 11 expressed as (S) shall not exceed 1% for aggregates other than air cooled blast furnace slag or 2% for air cooled blast furnace slag.
- (ii) Materials shall conform to at least one of the following options:
- (a) When described in accordance with BS EN 932-3 and BS EN 12342 Annex A, limestone, chalk, dolomite, blast furnace slag, steel slag or crushed concrete are predominant;
or
 - (b) The sulfate content of the mixture determined in accordance with BS EN 1744-1 Clause 13 is less than 0.06% (as SO_4).

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The requirements in (i) and (ii) above shall not apply to metallic elements protected by concrete or ancillary metallic items such as the tops of chambers and gullies.

20 (02/16) Where pulverised-fuel ash is used, the Contractor shall for each consignment make available to the
Overseeing Organisation a record of the type and source from which it was obtained and a certificate of results of
tests showing that the material complies with the requirements of Table 6/1.



Example of national variations

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#1212 (05/01) Road Markings

General

1 (08/03) Road markings shall be white or yellow (Classes Y1 and Y2) complying with BS EN 1436 Table 6, as appropriate except where an alternative shade has been specified in Appendix 12/3. The markings shall consist of continuous or intermittent lines, letters, figures, arrows or symbols and comply with sub-Clauses 2 to 12 of this Clause.

Statutory requirements controlling road markings are contained in The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 (Statutory Instrument 2002 No. 3113) and subsequent amending Regulations.

Permanent Road Markings

2 (11/07) Permanent road markings shall be one of the following materials and comply with the colour, location and material type requirements described in Appendix 12/3:

- thermoplastic road marking material or paint in accordance with BS EN 1871;
- permanent preformed road markings in accordance with BS EN 1790;
- other materials as described in Appendix 12/3.

They shall be also tested in road trials to the Roll-over class P5 in accordance with the procedure stated in BS EN 1824 to demonstrate compliance with the performance requirements as stated in sub-Clauses 3 to 6. The test report shall give particulars of the quality and quantity of the material, including drop on glass beads laid at the test site for future reference and comparison purposes should such a need arise.

3 Road markings shall have the following road performance as defined in BS EN 1436 for the period of the functional life starting from the date of application or when the road is trafficked, whichever is later. The materials to be used shall be to the same mix, material

Property	BS EN 1436 Reference	Requirement	Value
Colour	Table 6	1. White 2. Yellow Class Y1, Y2	x, y co-ordinates given x, y co-ordinates given
Luminance Factor	Table 5	1. Class B2 2. Class B1	0.3 0.2
Skid Resistance	Table 7	1. Class S1 2. Class S1	45 45
Retroreflectivity	Table 2 Class of RL for dry markings	1. Class R2 2. Class R1	100 80

* Note: 1 = White, 2 = Yellow

4 (11/07) The width tolerances and thickness for screen, spray, preformed and extruded white or yellow lines shall be in accordance with The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Direction 2002. With the exception of the road markings listed in Regulation 32 (2) of The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions, in no case shall any materials be laid more than 6 mm thick. Unless specified, all white markings shall be reflective with glass beads in accordance with BS EN 1423 and BS EN 1424 by incorporation (apart from preformed markings) into the road marking mixture and to the wet surface of the marking. The glass beads shall not have more than 1,000 ppm of Arsenic Trioxide, 200 ppm of Lead and 1,000 ppm of Antimony. The Contractor shall supply test certificates showing compliance with these requirements.

5 Where there is requirement for improved visibility in wet conditions at night, products showing the following performance in addition to that stated in sub-Clause 3 shall be used.

Property	BS EN 1436 Reference	Requirement	Value
Retroreflectivity	Table 3	Class RW3	50

6 Where there is a requirement for improved skid resistance as referred to in Appendix 12/3 products showing the following performance in addition to that stated in sub-Clause 3 shall be used.

Property	BS EN 1436 Reference	Requirement	Value
Skid	Table 7	Class S3	55

7 The pavement shall be prepared in accordance with the following:

- Where the marking is to be applied on concrete carriageways, the transverse texturing shall be freed from all traces of curing compound by wire brushing or other approved means. Prior to the application of the thermoplastic material a tack coat compatible with the road surface and the marking material shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- On surface dressed carriageways, all loose chippings where the marking is to be applied shall be removed prior to application.

8 The application of permanent road markings shall be in accordance with the Sector Scheme described in Appendix A. Road marking materials shall only be applied to surfaces which are clean and dry. Markings shall be free from raggedness at their edges and shall be uniform and free from streaks. Longitudinal road markings shall be laid to a regular alignment.

Raised Rib Road Markings

9 Raised Rib Road Markings shall only be used on motorways with full width hardshoulders or all-purpose roads (both single and dual carriageway) with at least 1 metre wide hardstrips. They shall comply with sub-Clauses 1, 2(i), 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this Clause.

10 Raised Rib Road Markings shall be white lines which are continuous over the sections where they are specified in Appendix 12/3. Where specified in Appendix 12/3 gaps shall be provided for drainage purposes.

11 (08/03) Raised Rib Road Markings shall be in accordance with The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 (Statutory Instrument 2002 No. 3113), Diagrams 1012.2 and 1012.3, as appropriate. Spacing of the transverse raised ribs shall be 500 mm or 250 mm as specified in Appendix 12/3.

12 Raised Rib Road Markings shall not be used adjacent to hatched areas or central reserve crossings except as prescribed for use with diagrams 1040.3, 1040.5 and 1042.

Temporary Road Markings

13 Temporary road markings shall only be adopted with the prior approval of the Overseeing Organisation. They shall comply with sub-Clauses 1 to 8 of this Clause or if required to be removable, be constructed

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1212NI (05/01) Road Markings

General

1 Road markings shall be white or yellow (Classes Y1 and Y2) complying with BS EN 1436 Table 6, as appropriate except where an alternative shade has been specified in Appendix 12/3. The markings shall consist of continuous or intermittent lines, letters, figures, arrows or symbols and comply with sub-Clauses 2 to 12 of this Clause.

Statutory requirements controlling road markings are contained in The Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 and subsequent amending Regulations.

Permanent Road Markings

2 (11/07) Permanent road markings shall be one of the following materials and comply with the colour, location and material type requirements described in Appendix 12/3:

- thermoplastic road marking material or paint in accordance with BS EN 1871;
- permanent preformed road markings in accordance with BS EN 1790;
- other materials as described in Appendix 12/3.

They shall be also tested in road trials to the Roll-over class of P5 in accordance with procedure stated in BS EN 1824 to demonstrate compliance with the performance requirements as stated in sub-Clauses 3 to 6. The test report shall give particulars of the quality

and quantity of the material, including drop on glass beads laid at the test site for future reference and comparison purposes should such a need arise.

3 Road marking shall have the following road performance as defined in BS EN 1436 for the period of the functional life starting from the date of application or when the road is trafficked, whichever is later. The materials to be used shall be to the same mix, material quality, quantity and rate of application as used on the test site.

Property	BS EN 1436 Reference	Requirement	Value
Colour	Table 6	1. White 2. Yellow Class Y1, Y2	x, y co-ordinates given x, y co-ordinates given
Luminance Factor	Table 5	1. Class B2 2. Class B1	0.3 0.2
Skid Resistance	Table 7	1. Class S1 2. Class S1	45 45
Retroreflectivity	Table 2 Class of R, for dry markings	1. Class R2 2. Class R1	100 80

* Note: 1 = White, 2 = Yellow

4 (11/07) The width tolerances and thickness for screen, spray, preformed and extruded white or yellow lines shall be in accordance with the Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997. With the exception of the road markings listed in Regulation 29 (2) of The Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland), in no case shall any materials be laid more than 5 mm thick. Unless otherwise specified, all white markings shall be reflective with glass beads in accordance with BS EN 1423 and BS EN 1424 by incorporation (apart from preformed markings) into the road marking mixture and to the wet surface of the marking. The glass beads shall not have more than 1,000 ppm of Arsenic Trioxide, 200 ppm of Lead and 1,000 ppm of Antimony. The Contractor shall supply test certificates showing compliance with these requirements.

5 Where there is requirement for improved visibility in wet conditions at night, products showing the following performance in addition to that stated in sub-Clause 3 shall be used.

Property	BS EN 1436 Reference	Requirement	Value
Retroreflectivity	Table 3	Class RW3	50

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5 Where there is a requirement for improved skid resistance as referred to in Appendix 12/3, products showing the following performance in addition to that stated in sub clause 3 shall be used.

Property	BS EN 1436 Reference	Requirement	Value
Skid Resistance	Table 7	Class S3	55

7 The pavement shall be prepared in accordance with the following:

- where the marking is to be applied on concrete carriageways, the transverse texturing shall be freed from all traces of curing compound by wire brushing or other approved means. Prior to the application of the thermoplastic material a tack coat compatible with the road surface and the marking material shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions;
- on surface dressed carriageways, all loose chippings where the marking is to be applied shall be removed prior to application.

8 The application of permanent road markings shall be in accordance with the Sector Scheme described in Appendix A. Road marking materials shall only be applied to surfaces which are clean and dry. Markings shall be free from raggedness at their edges and shall be uniform and free from streaks. Longitudinal road markings shall be laid to a regular alignment.

Raised Rib Road Markings

9 Raised Rib Road Markings shall only be used on motorways with full width hardshoulders or all-purpose roads (both single and dual carriageway) with at least 1 metre wide hardstrips. They shall comply with sub-Clauses 1, 2(i), 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this Clause.

10 Raised Rib Road Markings shall be white lines which are continuous over the sections where they are specified in Appendix 12/3. Where specified in Appendix 12/3 gaps shall be provided for drainage purposes.

11 Raised Rib Road Markings shall be in accordance with The Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997, Diagrams 1012.2 and 1012.3, as appropriate. Spacing of the transverse raised ribs shall be 500 mm or 250 mm as specified in Appendix 12/3.

12 Raised Rib Road Markings shall not be used adjacent to hatched areas or central reserve crossings

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14 When temporary road markings are used on surfaces that will continue to be used by public traffic after their removal, any shadow trace remaining after their removal shall be permanently obliterated. Preformed materials shall not be used for this obliteration.

15 Temporary road markings constructed from a proprietary preformed road marking material shall only be adopted in locations and on types of road surface as described in Appendix 12/3 and shall comply with any other requirement therein. The marking material shall be new and together with any primer shall be stored and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and within the recommended shelf life.

16 Temporary preformed road markings shall only be applied to surfaces that are clean and dry. Upon removal they shall be disposed of off Site and if any making good is necessary to the road surface it shall be satisfactorily carried out before the road is opened to traffic.

Road Markings on Porous Asphalt Surfacing

17 Spray paint, thermoplastic applied by machine screed, spray or extrusion or preformed road markings shall be used for carriageway markings on porous asphalt surfacing. Manual screeding shall not be permitted except for directional arrows and similar markings.

Removal of Road Markings

18 (05/08) The removal of road markings on surfaces that will continue to be used by traffic shall be undertaken in a manner that will avoid damage to the surface.

The removal of temporary road markings shall comply with sub-Clauses 14 and 15 of this Clause.

For bituminous running surfaces, the removal of permanent road markings shall be by mechanical means or forced air abrasive (shot blasting) only. Hot Compressed Air (HCA) lance shall be permitted on other types of running surfaces. In all cases the Contractor shall submit details of the proposed method for the Overseeing Organisation's consent.

Masking of Road Markings

19 (11/07) When black masking materials are required to cover existing permanent road markings, they shall comply with BS 7962. The total thickness of original and masking materials shall not exceed 6 mm.

(05/04) Longitudinal Road Markings Lateral Tolerances

20 (05/04) For longitudinal road markings, the lateral tolerance shall be within ± 25 mm from the designed position. Any discontinuities between road markings shall be replaced with a smooth taper from one road marking to the other. The length of the transition shall be derived from table below. All road markings shall comply with the dimensions, angles and proportions stated in the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 (Statutory Instrument 2002 No.3113 and any subsequent amending Regulations).

Speed Limit (mph)	Taper
30	1 in 40
40	1 in 40
50	1 in 45
60	1 in 50
70	1 in 55

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Removal of Road Markings

18 The removal of road markings on surfaces that will continue to be used by traffic shall be undertaken in a manner that will avoid damage to the surface.

The removal of temporary road markings shall comply with sub-Clauses 14 and 15 of this Clause.

The removal of permanent road markings shall be by mechanical means only. The Contractor shall submit details of the system he proposes to use to the Overseeing Organisation for approval.

Masking of Road Markings

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Speed Limit (mph)	Taper
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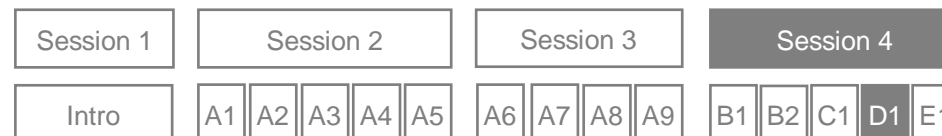
Approach to review current national variations

- Identify current national variations and check those that are needed (e.g. for different legislative rules) and those that could be removed.
- **Please start discussing with our counterparts in the Devolved Administrations and agree whether national variations can be removed or should be retained.**

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Nationally Determined Requirements and Sections

- In the future MCHW, national variations will be called “Nationally Determined Requirements” (NDR) or “Nationally Determined Sections” (NDS).
- General rules for constructor requirements and specifier instructions apply to NDR and NDS.



Nationally Determined Requirements (NDR)

- Where needed, NDRs shall be created for each Overseeing Organisation, authored 'in-line' and kept together with core requirements in CARS.
- If an Overseeing Organisation does not have country-specific content, the NDR shall be as follows:

'No nationally determined requirements are provided'

5.12	REQUIREMENT
#5.13	Nationally Determined Requirement
E/5.13	This requirement shall be followed.
NI/5.13	No nationally determined requirement is provided.
S/5.13	This requirement shall be followed.
W/5.13	No nationally determined requirement is provided.

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Nationally Determined Sections (NDS)

- Where needed, NDSs shall be created for each Overseeing Organisation.
- If an Overseeing Organisation does not have content for the NDS, the NDR shall only contain the following sentence:

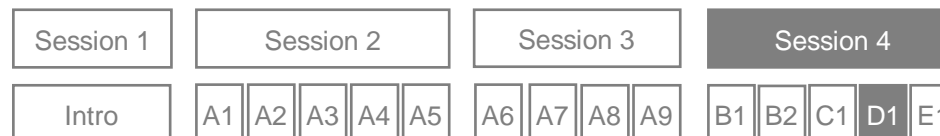
‘No nationally determined requirements are provided’

#8. Nationally determined section	
>	E/8. <Subject>
✓	NI/8. <Subject>
>	S/8. <Subject>
>	W/8. <Subject>

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Presentation of NDR and NDS in the published documents

- The style of published MCHW documents is under discussion and will be confirmed in due course. No impact on drafting rules.
 - Metadata shall be associated with NDRs.
 - This gives the options to publish NDRs either in NAAs or within the main text thus publishing country-specific documents.
- For any queries, please contact TAGG.



CARS functionality for national variations

see training on CARS

Key takeaways on national variations

- ✓ Identify current national variations and check those that are needed (e.g. for different legislative rules) and those that could be removed
- ✓ Start engagement with our counterparts in the Devolved Administrations and agree whether national variations can be removed or should be retained
- ✓ MCHW national variations will be called “Nationally Determined Requirements” (NDR) or “Nationally Determined Sections” (NDS)
- ✓ Use CARS functionality to introduce NDRs and NDSs
- ✓ The style of published MCHW documents is under discussion and will be confirmed in due course

High-level drafting objectives	Specific drafting rules	
Setting clear requirements to the constructor in the SHW, including clear links with the DMRB	A1: Verb forms A2: Clarity of constructor requirements A3: Section title and cross references A4: Using standard format requirements (SFR) A5: Product and installation requirements	2
	A6: Verification and documentation requirements A7: Other types of constructor requirements A8: Construction vs design requirements A9: Performance and method requirements	3
Setting clear instructions to the specifier in the IfS documents and clear links with the WSI	B1: IfS content, presentation and format B2: Establishing clear links between SHW, IfS and WSI	4
Setting contract neutral requirements to the constructor in the SHW	C1: Contract and product neutrality	
Present national variations clearly and consistently	D1: Nationally Determined Requirements and sections	
Supporting decarbonisation	Specific rules will be provided in a separate module	

Decarbonisation: general principles

- Decarbonisation is one of the top priorities in the UK construction industry.
- Section 14 in MDD Part 3 has been updated with high-level drafting principles including:
 - Technical authors shall consider how RADs can promote (or at least not inhibit) the adoption of zero carbon materials for construction and maintenance;
 - Technical authors shall consider how RADs can promote the carbon management hierarchy, which is part of the concept of ‘circular economy’: *build nothing, building less, build clever, build efficiently*.
- **Specific training will be provided.**



Key takeaways on decarbonisation

- ✓ Review the high-level drafting principles given in Section 14 in MDD Part 3
- ✓ Consider how RADs can promote (or at least not inhibit) the adoption of zero carbon materials for construction and maintenance
- ✓ Consider how RADs can promote the carbon management hierarchy
- ✓ Attend specific training covering decarbonisation aspects when available

Closing remarks

Objectives for today

- Provide training on the new approach to drafting MCHW Volumes 1 and 2, including exercises.
- Explain support that will be provided throughout the drafting process.
- Collect questions from the audience.

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Setting clear requirements to the constructor in the SHW, including clear links with the	A1: Verb forms A2: Clarity of constructor requirements A3: Section title and cross references A4: Using standard format requirements (SFR)
<h1>Start from first principles</h1>	
	A8: Construction vs design requirements

- Setting clear instructions to the specifier in the SHW documents and clear links with the
- Setting contract neutral requirements for the constructor in the SHW
- Present national variations clearly
- Supporting decarbonisation

Each section applies to a physical object

Consistent use of verb forms

Independent clauses, no ambiguity

Contract neutral clauses

Clear distinction between product and installation requirements for each physical object ...

...which in turn helps make a clear distinction between verification requirements

Clear documentation requirements

WIDGETS

Product requirements

1.1 Widgets shall be compliant with BS EN 12345.
1.2 Widgets shall meet the following performance characteristics: <performance characteristics>
1.3 Widgets shall also meet the performance characteristics stated in schedule WSI.
SI.1.3a Provide unique reference for each drawing.
SI.1.3b Select widget type from permitted options (type 1, type 2, type 3).
1.4 The ([declaration of performance]) in accordance with ([replacement for Clause 106]) shall apply to the use of widgets.
1.5 The design of <subject of design> shall be in accordance with <design standard reference>.

Product verification

1.5 Certification shall be supplied to demonstrate that the widgets comply with BS EN 12345.

Installation requirements

1.6 Widgets shall be installed in accordance with the manufacture instruction.
1.7 Records of the alignment check for widgets shall be submitted to the Overseeing Organisation.

Installation verification

1.8 The alignment of widgets shall be checked within 24 hours of installation.

Documentation requirements

1.9 The following documentation shall be submitted for widgets prior to the commencement of <details of the works>: <detail the documentation>.
1.10 Documentation for widgets shall be submitted at least four weeks prior to the commencement of <details of the works>.
1.11 The requirements for documentation ([replacement for Clause 104 and 105]) shall apply to widgets.

Clear instructions for the specifier directly linked with the relevant constructor requirement and easy to convert into WSI

Clear distinction between design and construction requirements (with constructor design undertaken according to the DMRB as relevant)

Right balance between performance and method-based requirements

Use of standard format requirements

Schedule A

Drawing number	Type
[Unique reference]	[Type 1, Type 2, Type 3]

Key activities

- When updating Volumes 1 and 2, the impact on the DMRB needs to be assessed.
- The following activities will need to be undertaken:
 1. Preliminary screening / filtering exercise to categorise the content and identify content that needs to migrate to the DMRB **(by March 2022)**
 2. Updating of (about 85%) SHW and NfG and identification of further design content to be migrated to the DMRB **(by December 2022)**
 3. Development of clauses for existing DMRB documents / creation of new DMRB documents **(by April 2023)**

Deliverables

- i. Draft **SHW document and associated instructions for specifiers, sample appendices for works specific inputs** (*i.e. WSI wireframe*), associated changes to **Volume 3 drawings** (*Volume 3 drafting rules will be covered in separate training*), and all other amendments required to implement the specification following the MDD (*specific rules on decarbonisation will be added soon*)
- ii. Draft **Nationally Determined Requirements or Sections**, if needed
- iii. Draft new **DMRB document(s)** or new / updated clauses for existing DMRB documents to provide design information currently within the Notes for Guidance and SHW, if needed
- iv. **'Document development plan', 'change log' and 'clause change summary'** (see Help pages)
- v. **Validation** of constructor requirements
- vi. Other deliverables as required from the MDD (governance deliverables) and from the work package (for the supply chain)

Engagement

Engagement with content specialists

- It is highly recommended to meet the two intermediate milestones indicated below:
 - **Submission of the first two sections** of the document (CARS link) to the Content Specialist to receive immediate feedback.
 - Submission of the document (CARS link) to the Content Specialist when roughly **25% to 50%** is complete to receive progressive assurance.

Engagement with the Devolved Administrations

- At the start of the drafting process to give them enough time to provide their input and develop their NAAs, and throughout the drafting work.

Effective ways of working

Based on lessons learnt in RIS 1



1. **Effective planning** (document development plan carefully drafted at the start and checked throughout)
2. **Individual commitment** and accountability
3. **Effective engagement** with team member (e.g. short phone calls once/ twice a week, that covers for each team member: (1) What they have done, (2) What their plans are, (3) Anything that is blocking them).
4. Active **review of progress made and any blockers** (e.g. retrospectives every 2/3 weeks to improve the process)

Support provided

- Training slides and recorded video covering drafting rules
 - Summary slides have also been extracted as a check-list for your use
- CARS functionality released on 22 March 2021, training slides and recorded video available, Help pages refreshed
- MDD rules issued on 22 March 2021
- Content specialists available (with supporting content reviewers):
 - Kate Albon Kathleen.Albon@highwaysengland.co.uk
 - Simon Hartshorne Simon.Hartshorne2@highwaysengland.co.uk
 - Maurice Jones Maurice.Jones@highwaysengland.co.uk
- For any queries, please contact PM Gareth Smith
Gareth.Smith@highwaysengland.co.uk
 - Weekly drop-in sessions are available to ask queries and have in-depth discussions

Outcomes from today

- Understand the necessity for compliance with the new structure and style of Volumes 1 and 2.
- Understand the high-level principles behind the update of Volumes 1 and 2.
- Understand the specific drafting rules for Volumes 1 and 2.
- Be ready to start drafting.

Feedback on this training:

<https://survey.alchemer.eu/s3/90418976/MCHW-training-11-01-2022>

Thank you