



Safety recommendation no. 30

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Safety deficit	<p>On Monday 10 December 2012, train 4623, en route from Fleurier towards Travers, left Couvet station on track 2, even though the group departure signal B indicated stop. At the same time, train 4616 from Travers was approaching to enter Couvet station. The two trains came to a standstill shortly after the exit points, a few metres from each other. The exit points had been forced open by train 4623. The group departure signal, which is additionally equipped with open position indicators, is located after the exit points. Its location does not allow a train to stop before it passes onto the track. The additional "open position indicator" signals are not fitted with a safety device.</p>
Safety recommendation	<p>The SAIB recommends that the "open position indicators" FB1-2 and FC1-2 be equipped with Eurobalises.</p>
Stage of the implementation	<p>The company will install Eurobalises by December 2014 in order to secure the FB1-2 and FC1-2 "open position indicators".</p>
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