



Safety recommendation no. 44

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Safety deficit	<p>On 6 September 2012 a goods railcar of the Aare Seeland mobil company was operating as a loco train from Bannwil to Langenthal. On entering Langenthal station the engine driver initiated braking on the upward gradient as far as switch 7, to reduce speed to 25 km/h. He stated that the speed decreased only slowly and he increased braking to the full braking position. On entering the occupied track Q1, the railcar collided with multiple unit Be 4/8. Subsequently the engine driver ascertained through a braking test that the brake was functioning correctly, but the controller was at stage 8 and the goods railcar was still exerting traction.</p>
Safety recommendation	<p>In the operating instructions for goods railcar De 4/4 321, the effects of the rapid braking position of the driver's brake valve should be described</p>
Stage of the implementation	<p>Operating instructions R 430 of Oe 321 have been supplemented. Implemented.</p>
Investigation report concerning the safety recommendation	<p><u>Schlussbericht</u></p>