

Standards for European Model Railroads

Wheel Sets Tracking Dimensions

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Dimensions in mm

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This standard is the basis for the manufacturing and testing of wheels and wheel sets, which are suited for operation on track produced according to NEM 110. The NMRA standards S 3, S 4, and the NRMA recommendation RP 25 were considered as much as possible.

The dimensions deviate from the scale reductions from prototypes in the interest of operational reliability.



Dimension Table

Gauge G	K ²⁾		В		N ³⁾		N1 ³⁾	Т		D ⁴⁾		Р
of track	min	max ¹⁾	min	max ¹⁾	min ¹⁾	max	min	min ^{1) 5)}	max	min ¹⁾	max	
6.5	5.7	5.9	5.25	5.5	1.55	1.6	-	0.4	0.45	0.5	0.6	0.10
9	7.9	8.1	7.4	7.6	2.0	2.2	1.8	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.15
12	10.8	11.0	10.2	10.4	2.3	2.5	2.0	0.6	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.20
16.5	15.1	15.3	14.4	14.6	2.7	2.9	2.4	0.7	0.9	0.6	1.2	0.25
22.5	20.7	20.9	19.9	20.1	3.5	3.7	3.1	0.8	1.0	0.7	1.4	0.30
32	29.7	30.0	28.8	29.1	4.3	4.5	3.7	0.9	1.2	0.8	1.6	0.40
45	42.9	43.1	41.8	42.0	4.4	4.6	-	1.1	1.3	1.0	1.6	0.50
64	61.3	61.6	59.9	60.2	6.0	6.8	-	1.4	1.6	1.3	2.0	0.60

Remarks

- 1) Achieving these values results in the greatest prototypical similarity.
- 2) It is not permitted to arbitrarily combine limits for dimensions *T*, flange thickness, and *B*, back to back distance, in order to stay within the dimensional limits for *K*. *K* is the controlling dimension.
- 3) The wheel thickness can be smaller than N_{min} when the conditions of Remark 4) for wheel flange running are satisfied and when the limitation $K + N > G_{max}$ (per NEM 110) are maintained. Without wheel flange running one can apply the limit value for the wheel width, N1, so long as the flange-way width at the frog does not exceed the dimension of F_{min} (per NEM 110). Otherwise expect an obvious sinking in the frog gap.
- 4) The adherence to the maximum slot width F_{max} (per NEM 110) in the frog, enables operation with the community of wheels whose flanges have varying heights, **D**. If, due to wheel set rotation, it is necessary to exceed the dimension F_{max} (per NEM 110) in the slot region, then the minimum flange height **D** is allowed to only be 0.1mm less than the maximum. The slot depth H_{max} (per NEM 110) is then only allowed to be $\geq H_{min} + 0.1$ mm.
- 5) The application of *Tmin* should accompany *Kmax*, to avoid creating unnecessarily large wheel set gauge deviations on the track.