RESPONSES TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS

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Management of Covid-19: guidances published

A series of potential measures (March 2020)

Potential measures to restore confidence in rail travel following the COVID-19 pandemic (April 2020)


Potential Measures to Restore Confidence in Rail Travel following the Covid-19 pandemic

Requires:

• **Concrete (potential) measures** that limit the risk of infection from:
  - Person-to-person
    ▪ Temperature checks
    ▪ Questionnaires
    ▪ Masks
    ▪ Sanitation gel
    ▪ Social distancing
    ▪ Ventilation
  - Object-to-person
    ▪ Cleaning/disinfection
    ▪ Tickets (paperless)
    ▪ Waste disposal

• **Communication** about said measures
  - Research demonstrates that crisis communication reduces anxiety

Less anxious people are more likely to use your transport
RAILsilience: How the rail sector fought Covid-19 during lockdown

During lockdowns rail demonstrated its resilience, or RAILsilience by:

- Supporting the Medical Sector
- Supporting the Community
- Freight as a provider of essential goods (food, medical equipment)
- Passenger rail mostly continued to function for essential workers (while respecting authorities when it came to border closures, PSO)

RAILsilience comprises:

- Response measures
  - Task Forces, Business Continuity, Suspected Cases Protocols
- Mitigation measures
  - Cleaning protocols, Sanitation gel, Temperature Screening, Passengers with Reduced Mobility, Masks, Passenger reservation system changes
- Communication
  - Both internal and external

Have you placed publicly available disinfectants (e.g. hand sanitizer) in your stations?

- Yes 44%
- No 13%
- No answer/Not applicable 45%
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