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The Finnish Transport Agency is strengthening its position as rail infrastructure manager by developing railway expertise in Finland. The Rail Training Centre (RTC) offers a unique learning environment for railway training. The RTC accommodates the infrastructure, training equipment and facilities required for railway training. The facilities equipped with signalling and interlocking systems include four interlocking systems and two full-scale turnouts used to provide turnout and safety device training in a safe environment and to increase competency in the railway industry.

Ensuring safety is top priority in the state-owned railway network

Competitiveness of the railway industry is generated through high-standard constructions and maintenance. Special skills are required in several sectors of the railway network, including signalling, turnouts and traffic control. The Finnish Transport Agency ensures that all railway actors possess the required know-how and understand the safety culture of the railway network.

Open access to all rail professionals

The Finnish Transport Agency offers all railway undertakings and training centres the opportunity to rent its premises for their own rail training. The Finnish Transport Agency provides the qualification and refresher training required to work in the state-owned railway network.

Vision of the Rail Training Centre

To be recognised as a highly valued national rail training centre that promotes safety.



Facilities equipped with signalling and interlocking systems, welding facilities, training facilities with classrooms, and areas with outdoor tracks, have been established in the Kouvola railway yard, separate from the rest of the railway network. The training facilities also house the rescue and clearance department.

Values of the Rail Training Centre

Cooperation

The training is developed and carried out with the parties involved in the operations.

Open access

The RTC meets the training needs of the industry.

Equal treatment

The RTC offers training to all railway actors on the same grounds.

High-quality training

The training meets the set criteria for expertise and safety.



There is a rail connection from the facilities with signalling and interlocking systems to the outdoor track area with an electrified railway line for training purposes. The facilities have been equipped with two electrically operated turnouts, a so-called elastic turnout and a double slip. Turnouts can be controlled via the interlocking devices.

- Training for the professional qualifications required to work in the state-owned railway network is provided at the Rail Training Centre.
- The training facilities include an outdoor track area, facilities equipped with signalling and interlocking systems, welding facilities and a track with a railway superstructure.

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