Девета годишна конференция

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БЪЛГАРСКА БРАНШОВА АСОЦИАЦИЯ ПЪТНА БЕЗОПАСНОСТ



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Road safety audits - from a bureaucratic procedure to a tool for ensuring safe road infrastructure

БЕЗОПАСНА ПЪТНА ИНФРАСТРУКТУРА









> Road safety audit is:

- **INDEPENDENT**
- DETAILED

• **SYSTEMATIC**

technical safety check relating to the design characteristics of a road infrastructure project and covering all stages from planning to early operation.



Stages:

- Before approving the conceptual design;
- Before approving the technical design;
- After signing the act under Art. 176, para. 1 of the Territorial Planning Act;
- At the initial operation of the road.



- Creating roads that reduce the number and severity of traffic accidents;
- Reduced costs by identifying safety issues and fixing them prior to road construction/repair;
- Promoting awareness of safe design practices and increasing the quality of projects;
- Considering the human factor in all aspects of design.



Road safety audit costs:

- Fee for the work performed by the auditor.
 - Time needed to perform the audit;
 - The complexity of the design.
- Implementation of recommendations from the audit report.
 - Missing at the design stage;
 - Organization of the post-implementation stages of the object?



Benefits:

- Strictly individual depending on the specific site, road accident and victims;
- Two scenarios with or without road safety audit;
- Only one of them can be rated.



Coefficients for reducing traffic accidents and their consequences

Safety measures	Accidents	Dead	injured
Improved sight distances	10%	10%	10%
Removing obstacles in roadside area	0%	50%	15%
Moving obstacles in roadside area	0%	40%	15%
Installation of crash barriers	0%	25%	25%
Installation of crash barriers in median	0%	18%	13%
Installation of buffers	0%	70%	30%



> Problems from previous years :

- Small scope of mandatory roads subject to road safety audit;
- It is not assigned by the owner of the road;
- Not awarded at all stages;
- Gaps in the quality of the audit report;
- Auditors do not perform this activity regularly;
- No actions regarding the identified problems.



- Insufficient coverage of mandatory roads subject to road safety audit
 - ~ 2400 km before 2021;
 - ~ 13 100 km after 2021;



- > The audit is not assigned by the owner of the road
 - Builder's contract;
 - Contract of the supervisor.



Not performed at all stages

• Difficult to implement measures in the stages after the completion of construction.

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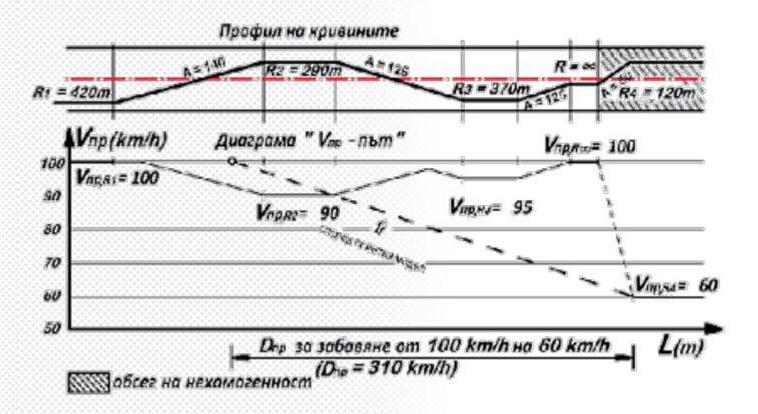


- Gaps in the quality of the audit report
 - Speed diagram;
 - Sight distances;
 - Overtaking;
 - Safety zone.

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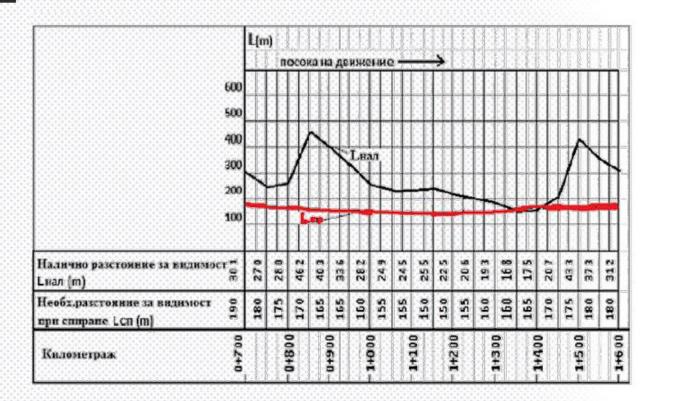


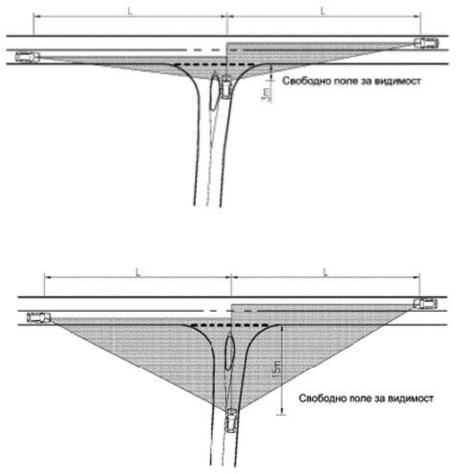
Speed diagram





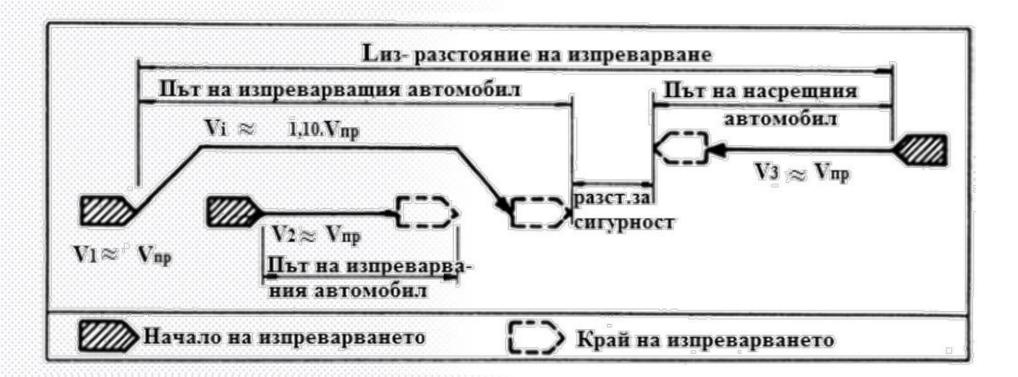
Sight distances





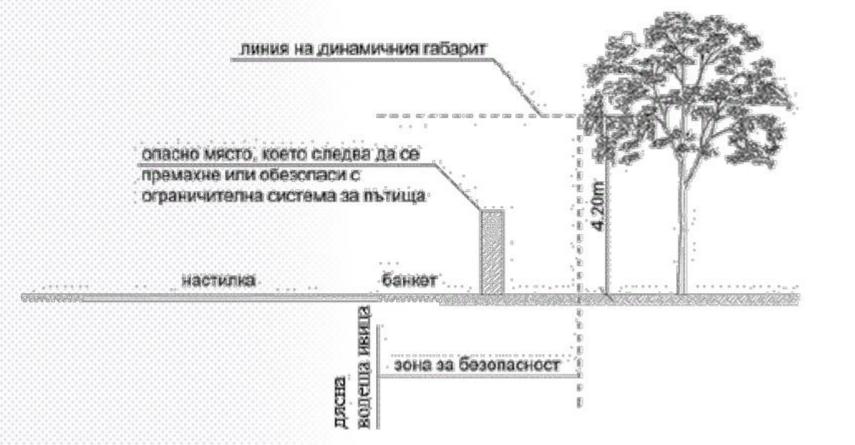


> Overtaking





Safety zone





- > Auditors do not perform this activity regularly
 - There is still not enough engagement of the auditors.



- No action is taken to remedy the problems identified in the audit report
 - Organization of the post-implementation stages of the object?



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