

## Roads Standards Committee



### RSC – Roads Standards Committee

### Annual Report 2010

#### Scope

1. To advise the NSAI with regard to Irish Standards and Codes of Practice concerning all aspects of roads construction including barriers, bitumen, aggregates and concrete and to make recommendations as required.
2. To draft appropriate documentation including Standards, Codes of Practice, Amendments, National Forewords and/or Annexes as necessary.
3. To ensure that interested parties are consulted in the drafting of these standards and codes of practice.
4. To monitor the activities of relevant CEN (European Committee for Standardisation) and ISO (International Organisation for Standardisation) Technical Committees and to provide NSAI with commentary and advise on voting on proposed European Standards (EN) and International Standards (ISO).
5. To put forward national representation to relevant European and International standardisation Technical Committees/Working Groups, where required.

# 1. Roads Standards Committee RSC

## Introduction

The Roads Standards Committee (RSC) is a voluntary consultative committee of the NSAI set up to advise on standards and codes of practice necessary for products and processes in all aspects of roads construction. All relevant CEN & ISO committee work is monitored and, where necessary, comments are submitted by the RSC on behalf of the NSAI. The various Irish Standards relevant to the RSC are updated when new European Norms come from CEN and ISO or every five years. The development of these standards is largely carried out by industry itself with the assistance of the authorities whose role it is to represent public interest. The Roads Standards Committee membership represents a wide range of interests within the Roads Construction sector in Ireland and a number of members represent Ireland at relevant CEN meetings. Activities of the following CEN Technical Committees are monitored by the RSC:

CEN TC 226	Road Equipment
CEN TC 336	Bituminous Binders
CEN TC 227	Road Materials
CEN TC 154	Aggregates
CEN TC 229	Precast Concrete

## 2. Membership

### Membership of the RSC – Roads Standards Committee

#### 2.1 Central Committee Members

Michael Byrne	Chairman
Helen Hughes	NRA
Alan Kavanagh	Atlantic Bitumen
Gearoid Lohan	Atlantic Bitumen
Chris Lycett	Independent Consultant
Richard Bradley	Irish Cement Ltd.
David O'Grady	Department of Transport
Alan Lowe	Roadstone
Liam Prendiville	ACEI
Sean Lenihan	Engineers Ireland
Therese Clarke	Technical Secretary NSAI

#### 2.2 RSC Subcommittee Members

##### 2.2.1 SG 1 Barriers

Helen Hughes	NRA (Chair)
Alastair deBeer	NRA

##### 2.2.2 SG2 Binders/Aggregates/Mixed Materials

Gearoid Lohan	Chairman
Alan Kavanagh	Atlantic Bitumen
Chris Lycett	IAT
Noreen Murray	MTS Ltd.
Michael Quinn	MTS Ltd.
Tom Casey	NRA
Amanda Gibney	UCD
Tom Webster	UCD
Reza Shahmohammadi	Lagan Bitumen Ltd.
Edmund Hegarty	Irish Tar and Bitumen Suppliers
Fergal Madden	Coldchon (Galway) Ltd.
Cathal McCarthy	Irish Tar and Bitumen Suppliers
Sean Dillon	Irish Tar and Bitumen Suppliers
Seamus O'Leary	J. A. Wood
Thomas Little	Kilsaran Concrete
Conor Fitzsimmons	S.M. Morris
Geraldine Walsh	NRA
Sean Cassidy	Lagan Asphalt Ltd.

Michael Byrne	Chair RSC central commitee
Dermot McCarty	Roadstone
Alan Lowe	Roadstone
Cathal MacMathuna	Independent Consultant (C&C Associates)
Stephen Smyth	NRA
Alastair deBeer	NRA
Therese Clarke	Technical Secretary , NSAI

### **2.2.3 SG3 Concrete Roads**

Richard Bradley	Irish Cement Ltd.
Cathal MacMathuna	Independent Consultant (C&C Associates)

## **3. Highlights of the Year**

The RSC reviewed the scope of membership during 2010 with a view to broadening its expertise and representation. The Committee are delighted to welcome the expertise of 3 new members, representing the ACEI, IAPA and Engineers Ireland.

## 4. Committee Meetings

### 4.1 Central Committee meetings:

30<sup>th</sup> March 2010

21<sup>st</sup> September 2010

Planned meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> December postponed to 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011 (bad weather conditions)

### 4.2 Subcommittee Meetings

Subcommittees and Working Groups met as required, the main focus of the work being to review and comment to the relevant CEN Technical Committees on draft EN's and assess the impact of same on Irish Industry.

It was agreed that the WGA and WGB of Subcommittee 2 be amalgamated to form one group, as a lot of members attended both WG meetings anyway. The first of these amalgamated meetings was held in September 2010.

## 5. International Participation

During 2010 the RSC was represented at the following CEN Technical Committee Working Group meetings:

CEN TC 336 WG 1

CEN TC 336 WG 2