

Bulletin of General Information

Lorry struck by freight train
Verrebroek - 29/07/2025

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1. NATURE OF THE EVENT

Lorry struck by freight train at a level crossing, resulting in a derailment.

1.2. TYPE OF EVENT AND SAFETY INVESTIGATION

Accident with safety investigation.
The safety investigation is ongoing.

1.3. DATE AND TIME OF THE EVENT

29/07/2025 around 7:33 p.m.

1.4. PLACE OF THE ACCIDENT

Schoorhavenweg in Verrebroek (Beveren-Kruike-Zwijndrecht) at the port of Antwerp.
Level crossing 1321 on line 211.



Source: Google Earth



1.5. TRAIN

Railtraxx freight train Z60225 (Antwerpen-Noord B3 fan of sidings – Antwerpen W.H.-B. Krommenhoek) consists of 30 wagons. Two wagons contain dangerous goods and are in the second and thirteenth positions in the convoy.

1.6. VICTIMS

There were no victims.

1.7. DAMAGES AND CONSEQUENCES

The infrastructure: there is damage to the track (including sleepers, rails), the level crossing and level crossing signals.

Train Z60225: the diesel locomotive is severely damaged.

The lorry with semitrailer and its cargo are damaged.

Train traffic is suspended in both directions for a few days. After repair, track B is put back into service on 31 July. Track A is put back into service a few weeks later after the repair.

2. FACTS

On Tuesday, 29 July 2025, at around 7:33 p.m., freight train Z60225 collides with a lorry at level crossing 1321 on Schoorhavenweg in Verrebroek at the port of Antwerp. Upon impact, the freight train derails and comes to a standstill metres away. The damage to the railway infrastructure and rolling stock is significant.



3. INVESTIGATION

An investigator from the RAIU went to the scene of the accident to make initial findings and gather initial information.

The investigation is ongoing to determine the contributing, organisational and systemic factors that led to the accident.



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