

WABCO TEST TRACK BACKGROUND

Road and commercial vehicle safety standards continue to become increasingly stringent worldwide. New and existing commercial vehicle systems – such as electronic braking systems, distance warning and stability control systems – can further support vehicle drivers and improve safety.

Since the mid-1970s, alongside software-based testing, a key aspect of WABCO's development process continues to take place on test tracks.

Today, WABCO is the only commercial vehicle industry supplier that operates three privately owned test tracks:

- Rovaniemi Test Track at the Arctic Circle (Finland), opened in 1988
- Jeversen Test Track near Hanover (Germany), opened in 1995
- Chennai Test Track (India), opened in 2001

Each test track is specially designed for commercial vehicle trials. It provides optimal conditions to test and refine new systems in order to meet tomorrow's demanding customer and regulatory requirements.

These proving grounds allow testing for the world market – on all imaginable road surfaces, in all weather conditions, from extreme coldness to high heat and humidity.

WABCO test tracks add quality assurance for manufacturers, fleet owners, distributors and drivers alike. They know that WABCO has a development program which enables repeated and reproducible testing, including scientific validation to help modify new or evolving systems and components.

WABCO also tests the company's own ideas for new products and systems. Furthermore, WABCO partners with customers – original equipment manufacturers – as they design and test their prototype vehicles.

What is learned and validated at WABCO's respective test tracks shapes further collaboration as new model vehicles go into production.

In due course, WABCO products and systems can also become repair or replacement systems and components during a vehicle's service life. For fleet operators, commercial vehicle owners and drivers, WABCO's test tracks help ensure aftermarket reliability and performance.

Further information at www.wabco-auto.com/about_us/innovations/test_tracks