

Departures from Standards

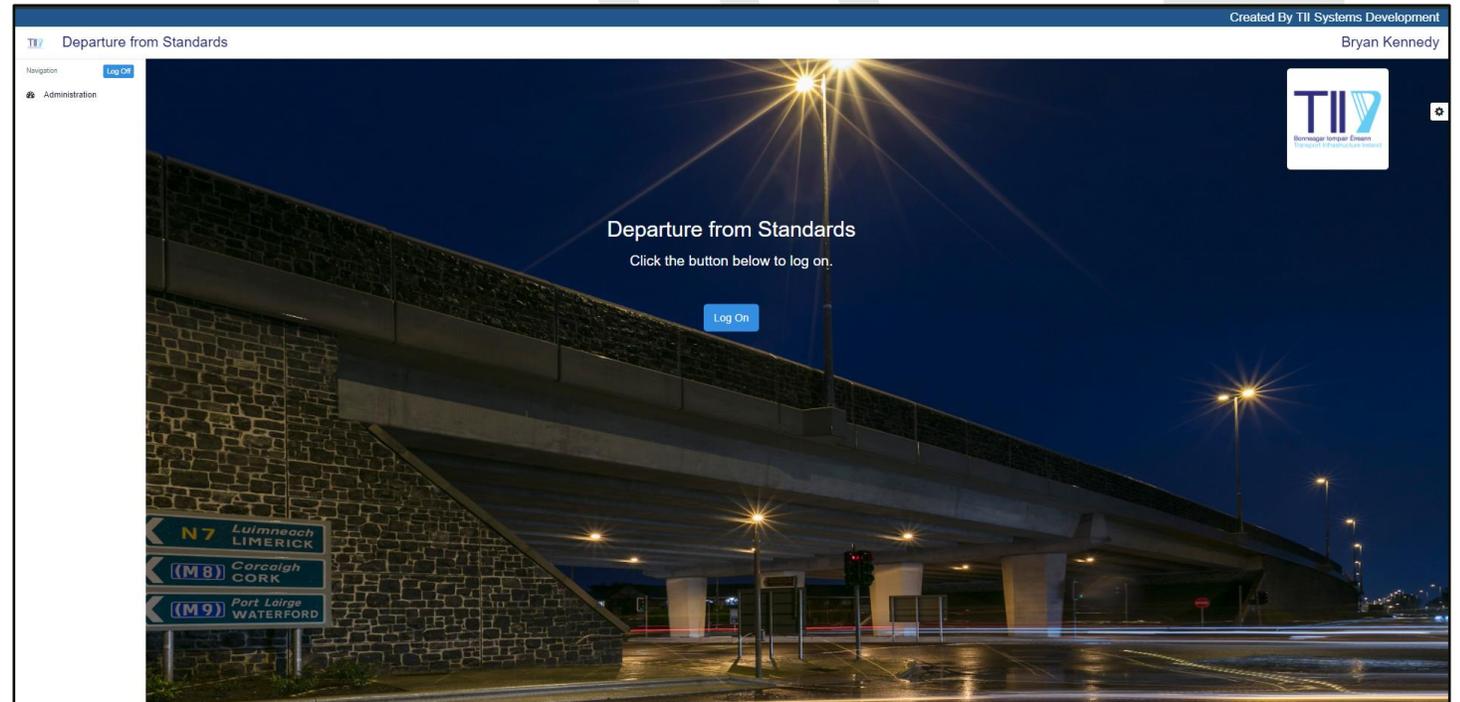
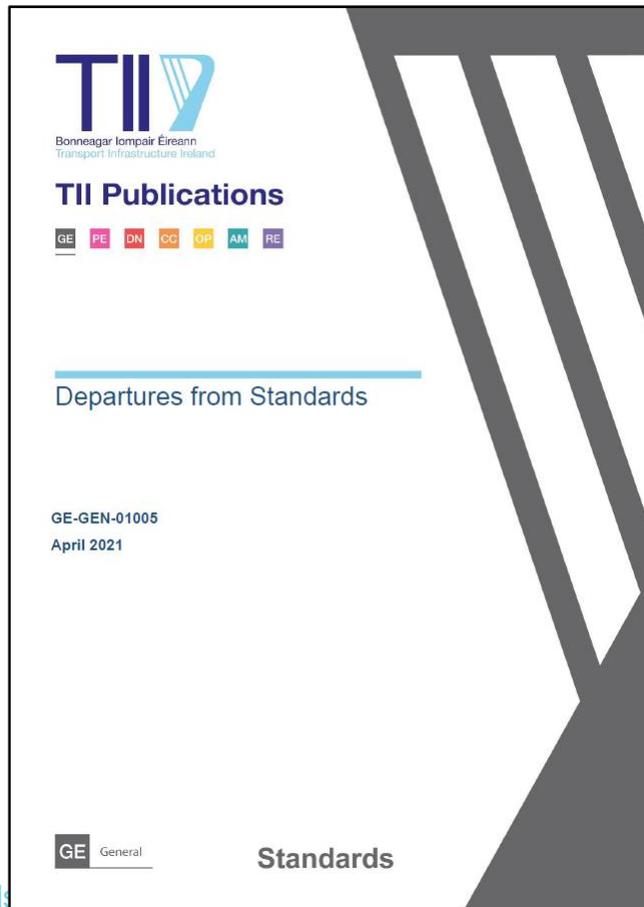
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Overview

- Update to GE-GEN-01005 Departures from Standards
- Departure from Standard Portal



GE-GEN-01005 Departures from Standards

What is a Departure from Standard

A Departure from Standard is defined as a deviation from the requirements of TII Standards and may mean any of the following:

- a) The use of technical design standards and/or specifications other than those in TII Standards;
- b) The use of a set of requirements or additional criteria for any aspect of the works for which requirements are not defined in the Specification or Requirements for Measurement and Pricing;
- c) The use of a technical design standard or specification in a manner or circumstance which is not permitted or provided for in such directive or specification;
- d) The use of a combination of Relaxations as set out in the relevant Standards;
- e) A combination of any of the above.

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Departure Decisions

Departures applications are reviewed by TII and a decision given. At the end of the review, a Departure's status is returned to the Applicant as one of the following:

Accepted: A Departure providing an acceptable solution in the particular circumstances for that element of the works provided that any mitigation measures proposed by the Designer or conditional to that acceptance are also incorporated into the design and works

Refused: A Departure that is unacceptable to TII. The Applicant may submit a new Departure Application with an alternative solution.

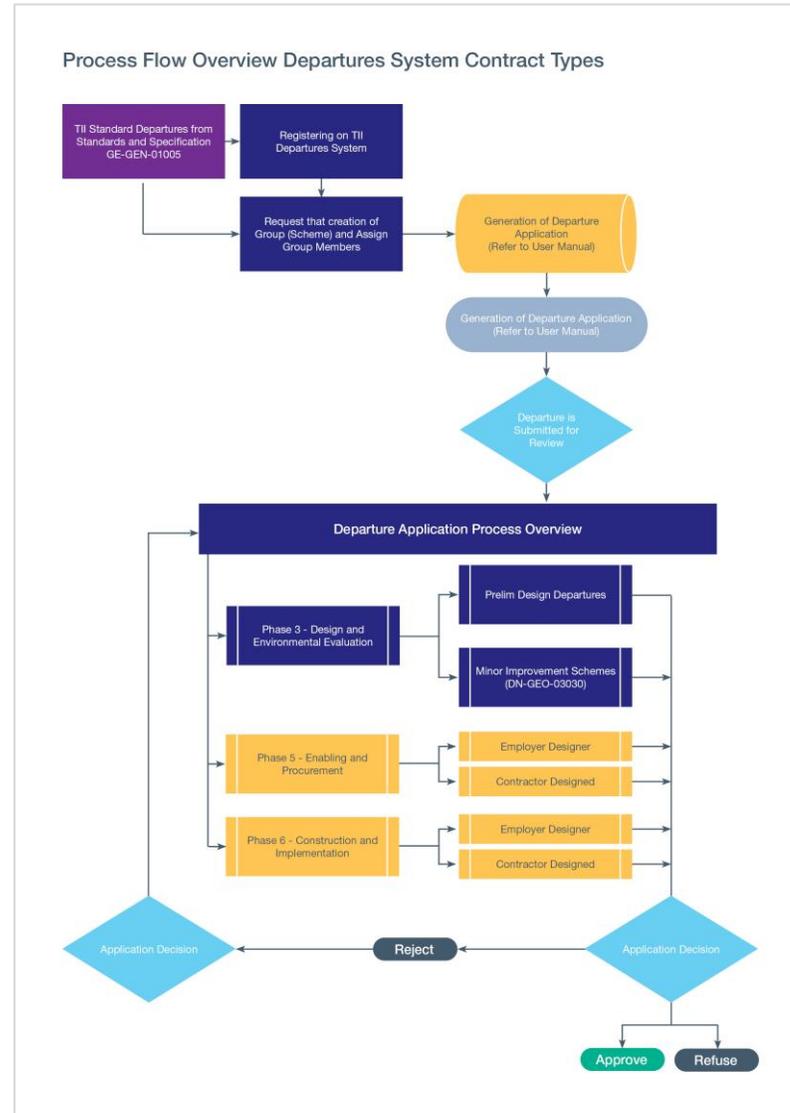
Rejected: A Departure with insufficient, inappropriate, or contradictory information where it is not possible for TII to form a conclusive decision to Accept or Refuse. The Applicant has the option to provide additional information to address the reasons for rejection and resubmit if they so wish.

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Submission of Departure Applications

- Responsibility for the submission of Departures and their implementation where **accepted** (including any conditions) rests with the relevant road authority. This may be managed on their behalf by third parties in line with any contractual arrangements in place.
- For the purposes of this Standard, the Relevant Road Authority shall mean:
 - a) For national road projects, either the Lead Local Authority or TII, as defined in the Contract;
 - b) For Motorway and Maintenance Contractors (MMaRCs), TII
 - c) For PPP Concessions, either the PPP Company or TII.
- Third parties may submit Departure Applications with the consent of the Relevant Road Authority
- Any Departure from the mandatory requirements of TII Standards must be formally accepted by TII prior to incorporation into the design and works as outlined in this Standard. Acceptance cannot be given retrospectively.

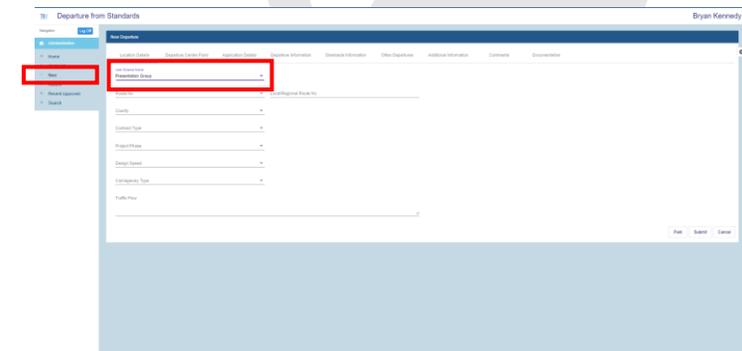
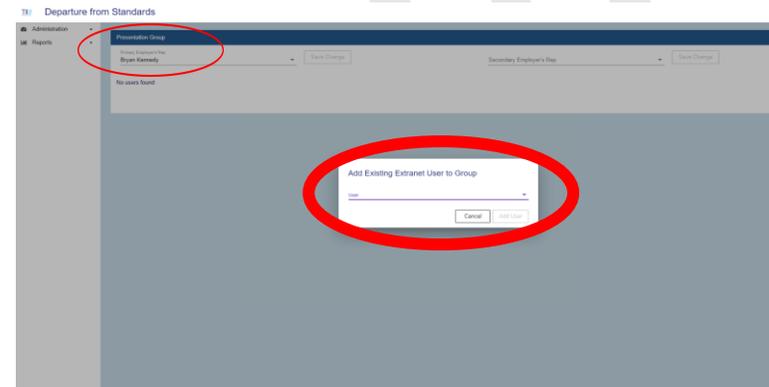
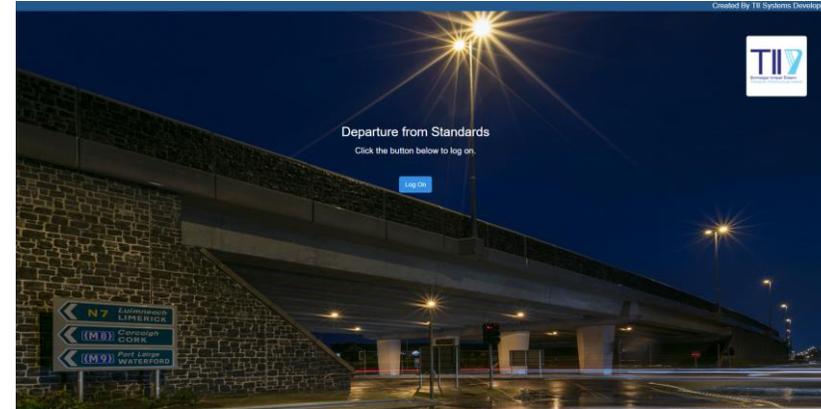
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Registration

- All Departures shall be submitted using the TII Web-based Departures System at <https://dfs.tii.systems>
- New users are required to request access to the system by emailing infodeps@tii.ie
- Assignment as a User to a Project Group is required before a Departure application can be submitted. This will require a user to be assigned to an existing Project Group or a for a new Project Group to be established by the TII Departures Administrator. Assignment to existing Project Groups or the creation of a new Project Group requires a user to email infodeps@tii.ie



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Online Application Form

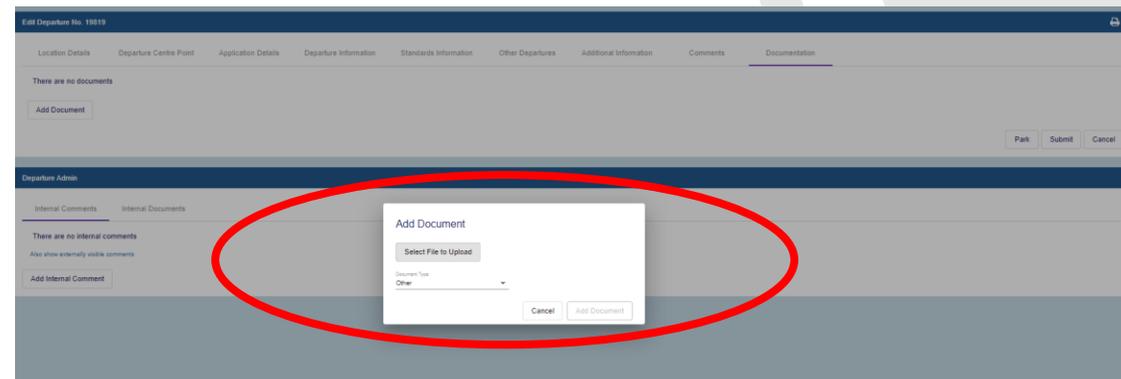
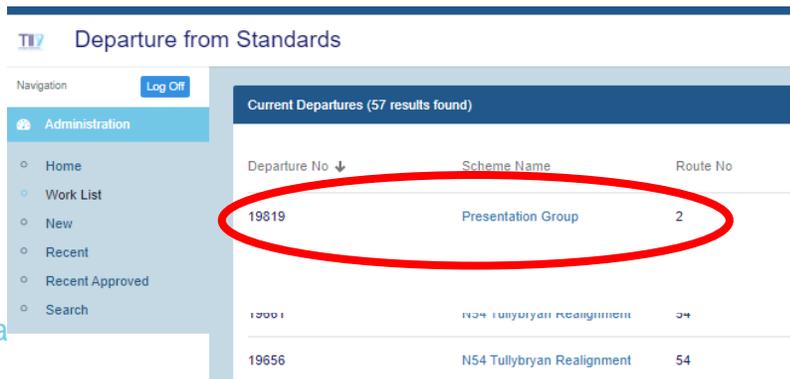
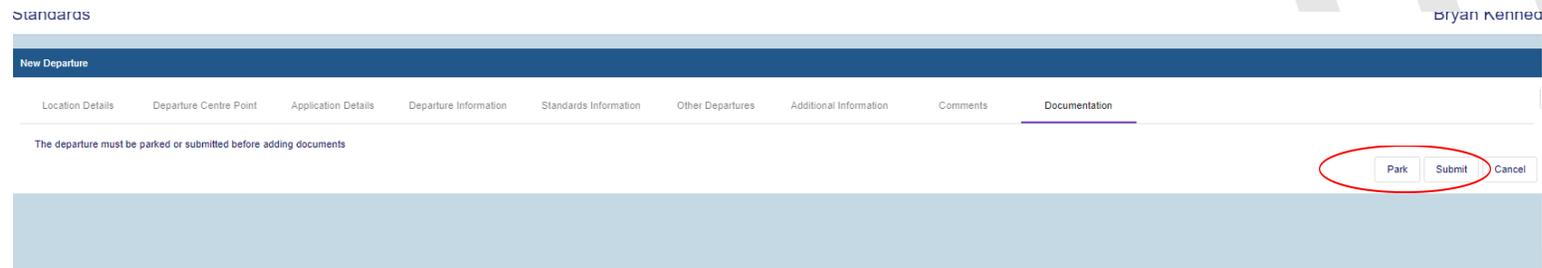
- Applicant must complete the online application form by using the pulldown menus provided or by inserting text where appropriate

The image displays three overlapping screenshots of the 'New Departure' online application form. The leftmost screenshot shows the 'Departure Information' tab with fields for 'Publication Stream', 'Publication', 'Publication Paragraph', and 'Departure Type'. The middle screenshot shows a 'Publication Options' dropdown menu with categories: Drainage, Geometry, Intelligent Transport Systems, Lighting, Pavement, and Requirements for Measuring and Pricing. The rightmost screenshot shows the 'Publication' dropdown menu with the selected option 'DN-GEO-03031 Rural Road Link Design' and 'Insert Free Text' input fields for 'Publication Paragraph' and 'Departure Type'.

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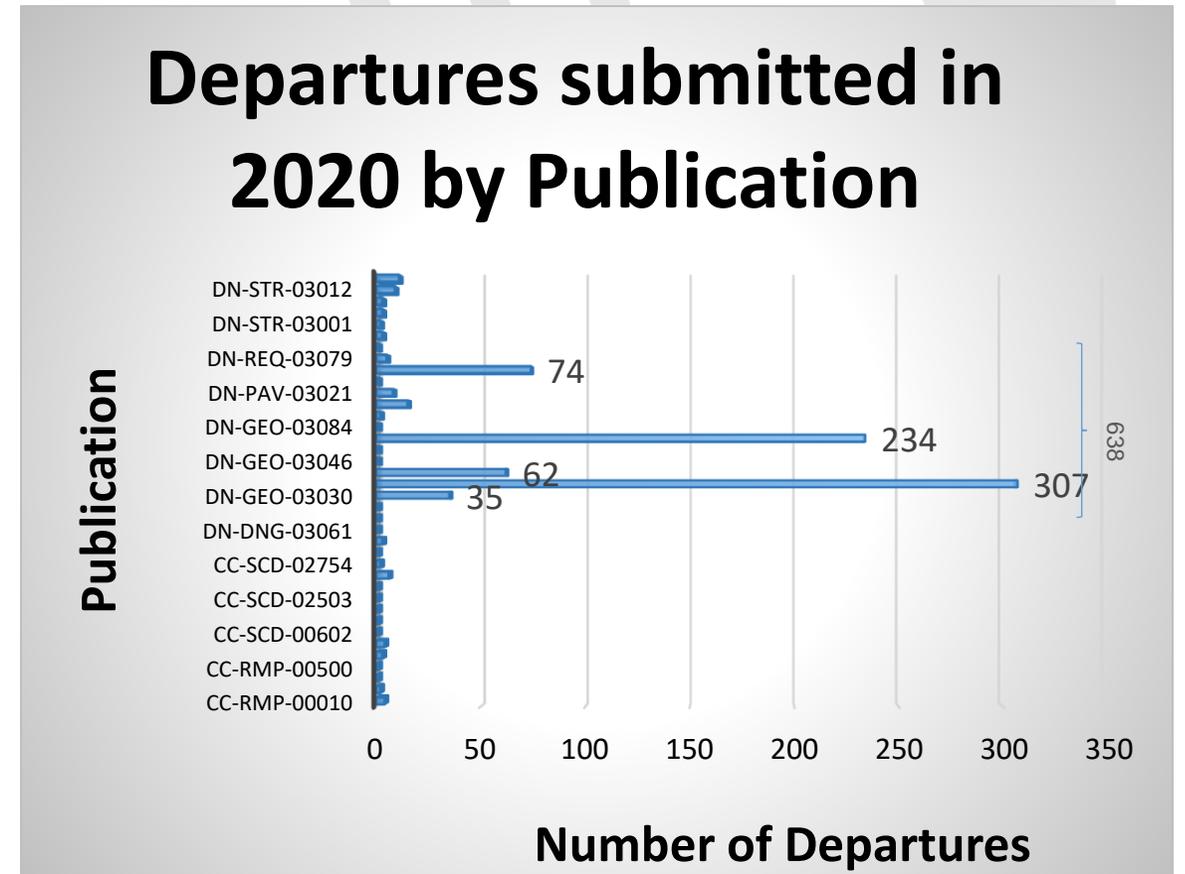
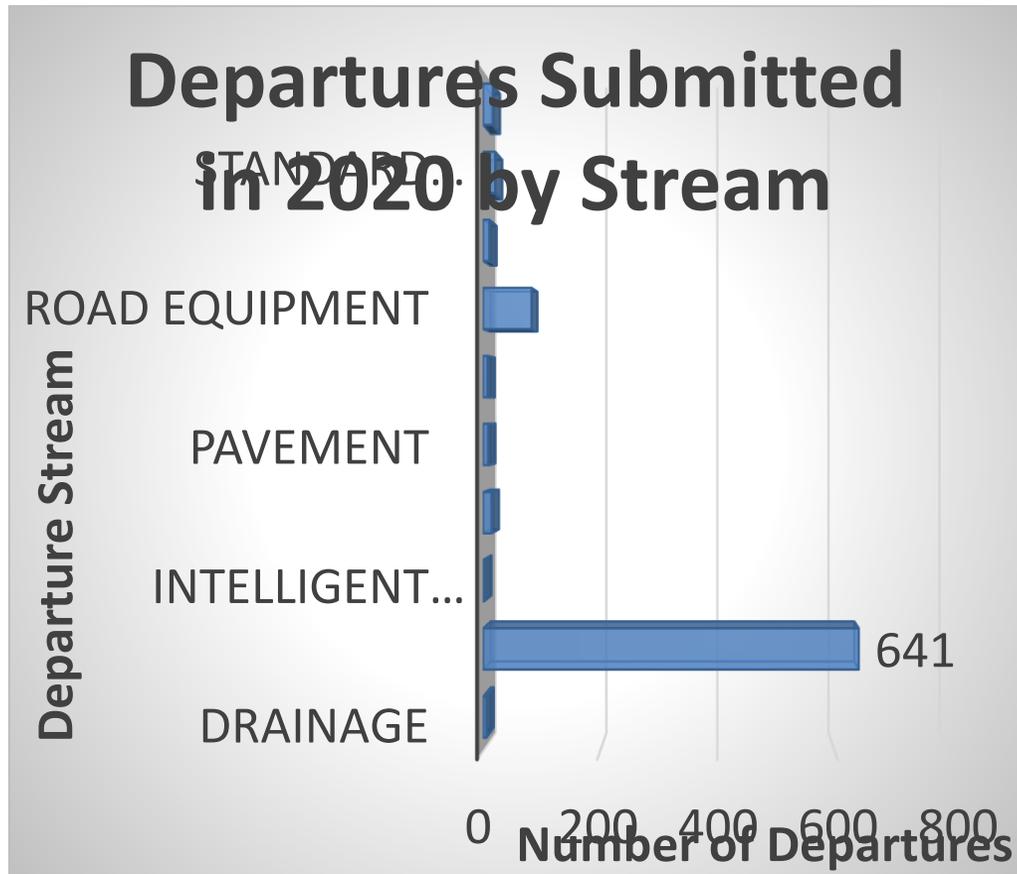
Attaching Documentation & Submitting Application

- Applicant must provide appropriate documentation to allow for the review of the Departure Application. This information should be uploaded under the Documentation Tab of the Online Application Form. The application must be parked to create the Departure Application Number prior to any documentation being uploaded. Once the documentation has been uploaded the applicant can submit the application by pressing the submit button



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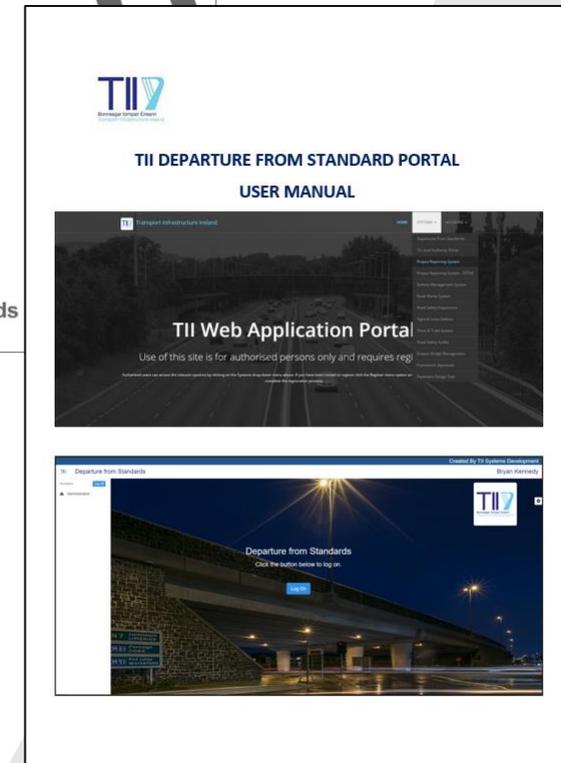
Reporting of Departure Applications



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Wrap Up

- Publication of Revised Standard GE-GEN-01005 Departures from Standards in the next couple of weeks
- Publication of a User Manual for the Departures Portal which will be available on the download section of TII Publications <https://www.tiipublications.ie/downloads/>



Thank You

