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# Glossary for this Rule

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Affected Signal A signal not available for normal use.

Bi-Directional Normal movement of rail traffic in either direction according to the

infrastructure and system of Safeworking in use.

Block A portion of line with defined limits between which only one rail traffic

movement is permitted at any one time (i.e. not a Permissive Block).

Cancel To withdraw permission for or to end previously authorised activities, such

as Occupancy Authorities, without completing them.

Complete Rail traffic where the consist has not parted.

Disabled Unable to travel due to a defect.

Emergency Incident requiring urgent action. The incident might involve death or serious

injury, health or safety effects, significant damage to property or

infrastructure.

Fixed Signal A signal that is located permanently near the line.

Foul In a position to obstruct rail traffic on adjacent lines.

Headlights Lights fitted at the front of rail traffic to provide visibility for the rail traffic

crew and to improve the visibility of rail traffic.

Issue To provide or send copies of authorities, warnings, notices and Network

publications to affected Competent Workers by voice, hand delivery or

electronic means.

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

Locomotive Self-propelled, non-passenger-carrying railway vehicles used for hauling

other (typically freight or passenger) rolling stock.

Motive Power Unit A rail vehicle used to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.

**Network** A combination of track and other associated infrastructure controlled by

Brookfield Rail.

Network Controllers A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Obstruct To make a line unsafe for the passage of rail traffic by the placing of tools,

equipment or plant on the track.



Permanent Record A record made in writing or in an electronic system, and kept for reference

and audit.

Protection The means used to prevent rail traffic from entering a worksite or other

portion of track, or to prevent road or pedestrian traffic entering a level

crossing.

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Railway Track Signal (RTS) A device attached to a rail that explodes on impact, used to attract attention

of rail traffic crews.

Restraint Authority The Restraint Authority directs rail traffic not to depart the location

irrespective of any available Proceed Authority.

Secure To safeguard against accidental or unauthorised access or movement.

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Track-Circuit An electric circuit where current is carried through the rails and used to

detect the presence of trains. Track-circuits are used in the operation and

control of points, signalling and level crossing equipment.

Track-Circuited Territory Portions of line where the system of safeworking relies on track circuits to

detect the presence of rail traffic.

Track-Circuit Shorting Device A cable that can be clamped to a line's rails to activate track-circuits.

Train A locomotive or self-propelled vehicle, alone or coupled to one or more

vehicles. Rail Traffic.

Travel Planned or purposeful movement from one location to another.

# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to outline provisions of *Protection* to *Rail Traffic* that has failed or become an *Obstruction* in the *Network*.

# 2. General

If an *Obstruction* is reported, the *Network Controller* responsible for the affected portion of line must act in accordance with Rule <u>2009 Reporting and Responding to a Condition Affecting the Network (CAN)</u>, and:

- instruct the Rail Traffic Crew in or approaching the affected block Section to stop their Rail Traffic immediately; and
- apply *Blocking Facilities* to prevent entry of further *Rail Traffic* into an affected or potentially affected portion of *Track*.

## 3. Rail Traffic Protection



WARNING: An unexpected loss of brake pipe pressure may indicate that *Rail Traffic* has derailed, or has derailed and *Fouled Adjacent lines*.

Where *Adjacent* lines are or might be *Obstructed* those lines must be *Protected* first.

Rail Traffic requires Protection where:

- the Rail Traffic needs assistance;
- the Rail Traffic Obstructs, or might Obstruct, Adjacent lines; or
- the line is Obstructed.

The Network Controller may advise the Rail Traffic Crew of Disabled Rail Traffic, that Protection is not required provided:

- communications with the first approaching Rail Traffic has been established; and
- that Rail Traffic Crew is advised of the circumstances.

The Network Controller must make a Permanent Record of that advice.

### 3.1 Disabled Rail Traffic

The Rail Traffic Crew of Disabled Rail Traffic must:

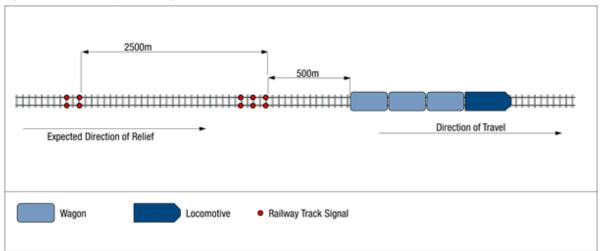
- ensure their own safety;
- tell the Network Controller.
  - there is a failure:
  - the Location of the Disabled Rail Traffic; and
  - the nature of the failure, when this has been determined;
- if necessary, protect the Disabled Rail Traffic; and
- ensure that the Rail Traffic Consist is Secured to prevent rail vehicles from running away.

Where *Rail Traffic* is to be protected by using *Railway Track Signals (RTS)* they are to be placed on all rails of the line to be protected in accordance with Procedure 9004 Using Railway Track Signals.

RTS must be placed in the following manner:

- three RTS on each line at least 500 metres; and
- two RTS on each line at 2500 metres from the three RTS.

Figure 4001-1 Railway Track Signal placement to protect rail traffic.



The Network Controller must, where necessary, prevent Rail Traffic from moving by:

- the Issue of a Restraint Authority to the Rail Traffic Crew of:
  - the Disabled Rail Traffic;
  - approaching Rail Traffic; and
- applying Blocking Facilities.

### 3.2 Adjacent Lines



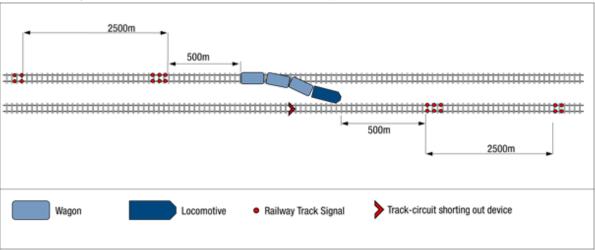
WARNING: Where the *Rail Traffic Crew* are unable to confirm that the *Adjacent* line is not *Obstructed*, they must assume that it is *Obstructed* and *Protect* that line first.

If the Rail Traffic Crew suspects their Rail Traffic has Fouled an Adjacent line, they must immediately tell the Network Controller.

Where the *Rail Traffic Crew* are not assured by the *Network Controller* that other *Rail Traffic* has been stopped or prevented from entering the affected *Block*, they must:

- immediately and repeatedly transmit an Emergency broadcast; and
- use *Rail Traffic* lights to warn any approaching *Rail Traffic* by flashing the *Headlights*.

<u>Figure 4001-2</u> Railway Track Signal and track-circuit shorting out device placement to protect an adjacent line from obstructing rail traffic in *Uni-Directional* double-line territory.



On *Bi-Directional* lines where there are *Adjacent* lines, *Protection* must be applied to affected lines in both directions.

The Rail Traffic Crew must apply Protection to affected Adjacent lines with the priority they consider necessary.

### 3.2.1 Track-Circuit Shorting Out Device



WARNING: *Track-Circuit Shorting Out Devices* cannot be used unless it is determined that it is safe to do so.

The *Rail Traffic Crew* must determine that if there are any fallen overhead line wires, they are not close to or in contact with the *Rail Traffic* or rails.

In Track-Circuited Territory the Rail Traffic Crew must:

- prior to getting out of the Rail Traffic, determine that there are no fallen overhead line wires close to, or in contact with the Rail Traffic, or rails;
- once it has been determined that it is safe to do so, fasten a Track-Circuit Shorting
   Out Device to the rails of the Adjacent Obstructed lines; and
- if possible, confirm that Affected Signals show STOP.

Where the *Track Circuit Shorting Out Device* cannot be used because of the proximity of fallen overhead line wires and the *Rail Traffic Crew* cannot establish communications with Network Control, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must continue to:

- transmit an *Emergency* broadcast; and
- use *Rail Traffic* lights to warn any approaching *Rail Traffic* by flashing the *Headlights*.

# 3.2.2 Using the Rail Traffic's Motive Power Unit to Assist in Placing Protection.

After Securing the remaining portion of the *Train*, by a full service application of the brake, the *Rail Traffic Crew* may detach a *Motive Power Unit* or *Locomotive* for use during placement of *Protection*.

The *Motive Power Unit* or *Locomotive* used for placement of *Protection* must return to the remaining portion of the *Train*.

### 3.3 Removing RTS

Before the Rail Traffic is removed from the Section, the Rail Traffic Crew must:

- ensure the three RTS at 500 metres are cleared from the line; and
- advise the Network Controller the Location of the two RTS at 2500 metres, if they are still in place.

The *Network Controller* must advise the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the first *Rail Traffic* movement, of each gauge, to *Travel* through the *Section*, the *Location* of the remaining two *RTS*.

# 4. Protecting Rail Traffic That Needs Assistance

### 4.1 Assistance from the Rear

Unless the *Network Controller* advises otherwise, if there is no *Rail Traffic* standing at a signal at STOP within 500 metres behind the *Rail Traffic* that needs assistance, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must place *Protection* on the line at the nearer of:

- At least 500m behind the Rail Traffic, or
- the first signal at STOP behind the Rail Traffic.

Figure 4001-3 Railway Track Signals placed at least 500 metres behind the rail traffic to protect it.

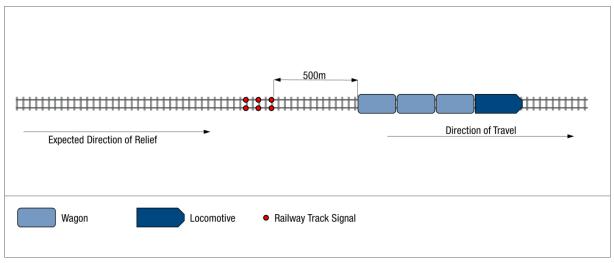
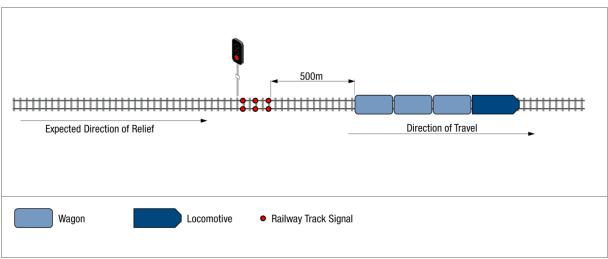


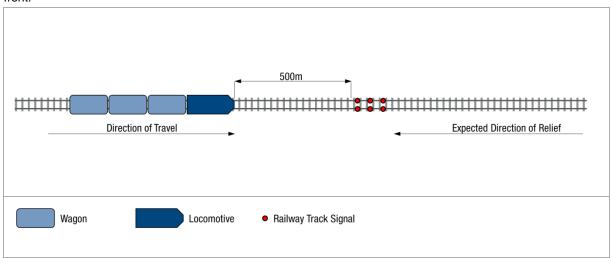
Figure 4001-4 Railway Track Signals placed at the first signal at STOP behind rail traffic to protect it.



### 4.2 Assistance from the Front

If assistance is expected from the front, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must place *Protection* on the line 500 metres forward of the *Rail Traffic*.

Figure 4001-5 Railway Track Signals placed to protect rail traffic from assisting rail traffic approaching from the front.



If there is a *Signal* for the opposing direction within 500 metres of the *Rail Traffic* needing assistance, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must:

- place Protection on the line at that signal; and
- tell the Network Controller the Location of the Protection.

# Restraint Authority

Rail Traffic Crews that have been Issued a Restraint Authority must not allow the Rail Traffic to move unless:

- the Network Controller has Cancelled the Restraint Authority; or
- relief Rail Traffic is attached to the Consist.

The Network Controller will Cancel a Restraint Authority when:

- the Restraint Authority is no longer required; or
- the whole of the Disabled Rail Traffic has been removed from the Section Complete.



# 6. References

2009 Reporting and Responding to a Condition Affecting the Network (CAN)

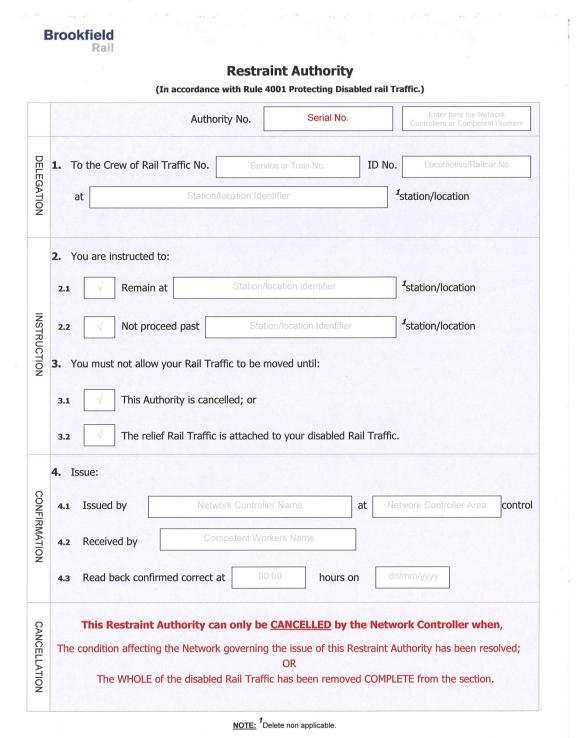
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### Restraint Authority form



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# Glossary for this Rule

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Access A designated safe way into, along, across or out of the Rail Corridor.

Access Provider An organisation that provides and manages a Rail Network and safe

method of entry to that network for Access Users.

Brookfield Rail Brookfield Rail Pty. Ltd.

Civil Infrastructure The track, track formation and drainage, and fixed structures beside, over

or under the track. The term includes supports for overhead electric traction equipment and supports for signalling and telecommunications

equipment, but not the equipment itself.

Clear A proceed indication displayed by a signal.

In reference to a track circuit, block, section or signal route, the absence of

rail traffic.

In reference to track workers being clear of track.

Communication Device A device that supports effective communication between Network

Controllers, Rail Traffic crews, Track Workers and other Competent

Workers.

Consist A listed order of the vehicles arranged to make up a complete train.

Dangerous Goods Materials defined under the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous

Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code) ©

Driver Supervisory Systems A system fitted to a rail vehicle that can monitor the Driver (or train)

condition or performance and apply the brakes when a measured condition

or performance parameter violates a required state or limit.

Electrical Infrastructure may include:

Equipment and systems for supplying and distributing electricity

Wires, cables, electrical equipment, electrical switch rooms, signalling and

substations.

Fit for Purpose Able to be used for the function required.

Handbrake A device to secure a rail vehicle against movement.

Infrastructure See civil infrastructure; electrical infrastructure; signalling infrastructure

and telecommunications infrastructure.

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

Main Line The running line (not including Loops) normally used for running rail traffic

through and between locations

Marshal To arrange the order of vehicles in a train's consist.



Motive Power Unit A rail vehicle used to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.

Network A combination of track and other associated infrastructure controlled by

Brookfield Rail.

Network Controllers A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Operator's Representative A person authorised by an above rail or below rail Operator to act on their

behalf.

Protection The means used to prevent rail traffic from entering a worksite or other

portion of track, or to prevent road or pedestrian traffic entering a level

crossing.

Restrain To prevent movement of rail traffic with signals, signalling equipment,

blocking facilities, or the issue of a written warning.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Rail Traffic Integrity

The requirements that must be met for rail traffic to be deemed to be fit for

purpose as required by Brookfield Rail and Accreditation requirements to

travel in the Network.

Running Line A line (other than a siding) that is used for through movement of rail traffic,

not normally used for stabling rail vehicles.

Secure To safeguard against accidental or unauthorised access or movement.

Signalling and Communications Infrastructure Signalling equipment and telecommunications equipment used as part of

the safeworking and operating systems of the Network.

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Track Workers Competent rail safety workers whose primary duties are associated with

work on or around infrastructure in the Rail Corridor.

Travel Planned or purposeful movement from one location to another.

Whistle A device such as a bell, whistle, siren, horn or hooter, fitted to rail traffic to

give audible warning.

Work Out of Service To work rail traffic to a suitable yard, service depot, siding or location

where rolling stock can leave the running line for repair or replacement of

vehicle equipment.

# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to provide information to *Rail Traffic Crews* about requirements for ensuring *Rail Traffic* is *Fit for Purpose* before *Accessing*, and during *Travel* in the *Network*.

# General

Rail Traffic must identifiable and comply with Brookfield Rail's gauge outline in accordance with the W110-400-001 Standard Gauge Mainline Code of Practice Track & Civil Infrastructure and W110-400-002 Narrow Gauge Mainline Code of Practice Track & Civil Infrastructure.

Rail Traffic Crews must not, without authority, bypass, disconnect or turn off any device provided for the safe operation of Rail Traffic.

Prior to entering the *Network*, *Rail Traffic Crews* must ensure that all necessary brake tests have been performed, in accordance with *Brookfield Rail's Network Safeworking rules and Procedures* Appendix instruction <u>Automatic Air and Vacuum Brake Instructions</u>, and equipment is within specified limits.

Details of the *Rail Traffic Consist* must be provided to the *Network Controller*, by the *Operator's Representative*, prior to the *Rail Traffic* departure.

Where the *Rail Traffic Consist c*hanges en-route the details must be provided to the *Network Controller*, by the *Operator's Representative*, prior to the *Rail Traffic* departure from that location.

Rail Traffic Integrity must be re-established whenever the Consist changes. Rail Traffic Integrity must be documented and maintained.

Loading carried on *Rail Traffic* must be *Secure* and *Restrained* safely throughout the journey.

### 2.1 Testing Equipment

Prior to entering the *Network*, *Rail Traffic Crews* must ensure that the following equipment is fully operational:

- Speedometer, if this can be checked;
- Motive Power Unit lights;
- Motive Power Unit Whistle;
- Communications Equipment;
- Driver Supervisory Systems; and
- End of Train Marker.



### 2.2 Dangerous Goods

Before *Rail Traffic Travels* in the *Network*, the classes of *Dangerous Goods* and the identification numbers of vehicles carrying *Dangerous Goods*, must be recorded in the *Consist* documentation.



NOTE: *Dangerous Goods* must be loaded, labelled and *Marshalled* in accordance with the <u>Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous</u> Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code)©.

## 3. Brakes

### 3.1 Holding Rail Traffic Stationary

Rail Traffic braking systems must be capable of stopping and holding the Rail Traffic stationary in all Network conditions applicable to the Route.

### 3.1.1 Security of Rail Traffic Left on Running Lines

Whenever it is necessary for *Rail Traffic*, or a portion of *Rail Traffic*, to be left unattended on a *Running Line* for longer than 30 minutes, in addition to the full application of the automatic brake, *Handbrakes* must be applied as follows:

Figure 4003-1 Rail Traffic handbrake application table

Section of line	Percentage of handbrakes to be applied
All NG Main Lines	100 per cent
Dual gauge Kwinana-Avon Yard	33 per cent
SG Avon Yard-Kalgoorlie	50 per cent
SG Kalgoorlie-Esperance	100 per cent
SG Kalgoorlie-Leonora	100 per cent
All crossing loops	33 per cent

Vehicles not provided with *Handbrakes* must, where necessary, be chocked to meet the requirements shown above.

### 3.2 Abnormal or Defective Brakes

If during *Travel* there is an abnormal application of brakes or the braking performance is inadequate, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must:

- bring the Rail Traffic to a complete Stop;
- advise the Network Controller,
- if necessary, apply *Protection* for the *Rail Traffic* in accordance with Rule <u>4001</u> Protecting Rail Traffic;
- if possible, determine the cause of the application or the extent of the defect;
- if possible, remedy the cause of the application or defect; and
- tell the *Network Controller* when the journey has been resumed or if the defect cannot be remedied.

### 3.3 Handbrakes and Securing Devices

Equipment used for *Securing* rollingstock must be tested before rollingstock is detached from a *Motive Power Unit* or a continuous brake system.

If a vehicle without working *Handbrakes* needs to be detached and *Secured* it must be coupled to a vehicle that has working *Handbrakes* and can *Secure* the combined weight of both vehicles.

# 4. Rail Traffic Safety Management Systems

Rail Traffic Safety Management Systems include:

- Speedometer; or
- · Annett's Key System.



# 5. Driver Supervisory Systems

Driver Supervisory Systems include:

- Vigilance Control;
- · Detonator Detector System; or
- Automatic Train Protection System.

# Defective Equipment

Where any Safety Management System fails en-route, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must obtain the *Operator's Representative* approval to continue.

The Network Controller must be advised by the Rail Traffic Crew of:

- · the system failure; and
- the Operator's Representative approval to continue.

### 6.1 Speedometer Failure

Where approved to continue by their *Operator's Representative*, affected *Rail Traffic Crews* must advise the *Network Controller* of the approval and ensure that permissible speeds are not exceeded and may continue to *Travel* until:

- the Motive Power Unit is Remarshalled at the first suitable Location:
- · the equipment can be repaired or replaced; or
- the Motive Power Unit is Worked Out of Service.

### **6.2 Driver Supervisory Systems**

If *Driver Supervisory Systems* in the leading *Motive Power Unit* is faulty and needs to be isolated during *Travel*, the *Rail Traffic Crew* and the *Network Controller* must confer to determine what actions are required to ensure safety of the *Rail Traffic* and *Workers*.



NOTE: Actions to ensure safety of the Rail Traffic may include:

- getting a second crew member for driver only operation;
- reduction of speed; or
- Travel at Restricted Speed.

If the affected *Motive Power Unit* cannot continue to *Travel* safely, it must be:

- Remarshalled at the first suitable Location; or
- Worked Out of Service.

# 7. Defective Vehicles



WARNING: Where there is a risk of being struck by *Rail Traffic* on *Adjacent lines*, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must arrange *Protection* in accordance with Procedure 9010 Protecting Work from Rail Traffic on Adjacent Lines.



WARNING: *Adjacent* lines may be under the control of different *Network Controllers* or *Access Providers*.

If the *Rail Traffic Crew* becomes aware that one or more of their vehicles may be defective, the crew must:

- stop if necessary;
- tell the Network Controller,
- Protect the Rail Traffic, if required; and
- inspect Rail Traffic for fault or failure, or if this is not possible, arrange for inspection.

### 7.1 Inspecting and Managing Defects



WARNING: If the *Rail Traffic Crew* suspect that a vehicle defect may have caused damage to *Infrastructure* the *Rail Traffic Crew* must tell the *Network Controller*.

If the inspection confirms that there is a defect, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must tell the *Network Controller*.

- · the nature of the defect; and
- if the defect can be remedied on site.

If the *Rail Traffic Crew* considers that the defective vehicle cannot *Travel* normally, the *Rail Traffic Crew* or *Operator's Representative* must determine:

- the vehicle's fitness for *Travel*;
- any restrictions to be placed on the vehicle for *Travel*; or
- the proposed plan for removing the vehicle from *Running Lines*.

If the defective vehicle is able to *Travel*, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must tell the *Network Controller* about operating restrictions that apply.

If the vehicle is to be detached, the Rail Traffic Crew must:

- advise the *Network Controller* of the details of the vehicle including any *Dangerous Goods* and their defects;
- jointly agree with the *Network Controller*, as to the *Location* of where the vehicle is to be detached;
- Secure the vehicle at the agreed Location; and
- place red NOT TO GO cards on the vehicle.

Any equipment that has been detached from a vehicle must be moved to a position where it cannot be struck by *Rail Traffic*.

The *Network Controller* must be advised of any detached equipment, and if the detached equipment cannot be moved *Clear* of the line.

# 8. References

4001 Protecting Rail Traffic

9010 Protecting Work from Rail Traffic on Adjacent Lines.

W190-400-001 Standard Gauge Mainline Code of Practice Track & Civil Infrastructure

W190-400-002 Narrow Gauge Mainline Code of Practice Track & Civil Infrastructure

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code) ©

<u>Automatic Air and Vacuum Brake Instructions</u>

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# Glossary for this Rule

Active Control Level

Crossing

A road or pedestrian level crossing where warning equipment warns road users and pedestrians about approaching rail traffic by devices such as

flashing lights or barriers.

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Blocking Facility A facility used by a Network Controller to prevent either the unintended

issue of an Occupancy Authority, or the operation of points or signalling

equipment.

Centralised Traffic Control

(CTC) Territory

The portions of line where the Centralised Traffic Control system of

Safeworking is used.

Clear A proceed indication displayed by a signal.

In reference to a track circuit, block, section or signal route, the absence of

rail traffic

In reference to track workers being clear of track.

Complete Rail traffic where the consist has not parted.

Consist A listed order of the vehicles arranged to make up a complete train.

Controlled Speed Controlled speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear line that is visible ahead.

Cross To cross or pass other rail traffic.

Crossing Location/Station May consist of single or double ended portion of track, to hold rail traffic,

connected to a main line that is used to permit other rail traffic to cross or

pass.

Disabled Unable to travel due to a defect.

End-of-Train Marker A device, including tail lights, fitted to the trailing end of the last vehicle of

a rail traffic consist to indicate the end of the consist.

End-of-Train Monitor A device secured to the coupler of the last vehicle which communicates via

radio link to the locomotive and provides real time end-of-train air pressure

and other related information (e.g. rail traffic separation alarm).

Handsignal A signal given by hand or lights movements, hand signals may be with or

without flags.

Headlights Lights fitted at the front of rail traffic to provide visibility for the rail traffic

crew and to improve the visibility of rail traffic.

Level Crossing A location where the railway line and a road or pedestrian walkway cross

paths on the same level (at grade).

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.



Locomotive Self-propelled, non-passenger-carrying railway vehicles used for hauling

other (typically freight or passenger) rolling stock.

Low Visibility Any condition that does not allow Competent Workers to view the distance

required to work safely (e.g. fog, heavy rain, smoke, dusk, curve in the

track))

Marker Lights Lights which indicate the front or rear of a train.

Marshal To arrange the order of vehicles in a train's consist.

Motive Power Unit A rail vehicle used to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.

Network A combination of track and other associated infrastructure controlled by

Brookfield Rail.

Network Controller A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Normal Speed A speed that does not exceed the speed limit currently in effect for the

section of line and type of rail traffic.

Obstruct To make a line unsafe for the passage of rail traffic by the placing of tools,

equipment or plant on the track.

Passive Control Level

Crossing

Road and pedestrian level crossing warning that relies on road users and pedestrians looking out for and giving way to rail traffic (i.e. no flashing

lights, half boomgate or bells).

Points A track component consisting of paired pieces of tapered rail (blades) that

can be moved and set to allow tracks to diverge or converge.

Points Indicator An indicator showing the position of points.

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Running Line A fixed signal placed near a running line to authorise and control running

movements.

Section The line between the departure end station limit of one location and the

arrival end station limit of another location. A section consists of one or

more blocks.

Shunt To move rail traffic, rakes of vehicles, or vehicles on lines for purposes

other than through movement.



Tail Lights Red lights used as to designate the end of rail traffic. (see also end-of-train

markers).

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Train A locomotive or self-propelled vehicle, alone or coupled to one or more

vehicles. Rail Traffic.

Train Order Territory The portions of line where the Train Order system of Safeworking is used.

Travel Planned or purposeful movement from one location to another.

Visibility Lights Lights Lights, fitted below the headlights, to improve rolling stock's ability to be

seen and to assist the crew in viewing of the immediate area in front of the

vehicle. Also known as ditch lights or crossing lights.

Whistle A device such as a bell, whistle, siren, horn or hooter, fitted to rail traffic to

give audible warning.



# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to describe how *Rail Traffic* lights and markers are used to:

- indicate the normal direction of Travel;
- indicate Completeness of Rail Traffic; and
- enhance the visibility of Rail Traffic.

# 2. General

Rail Traffic must not enter the Network unless the Rail Traffic lights and Markers Lights are working correctly.

Headlights must be set on full at the front of all moving Rail Traffic unless required to be dimmed or turned off as prescribed within this rule.

An approved *End-of-Train Marker* or at least one approved red light must be displayed at the rear of *Rail Traffic*.

# 3. Headlight Use

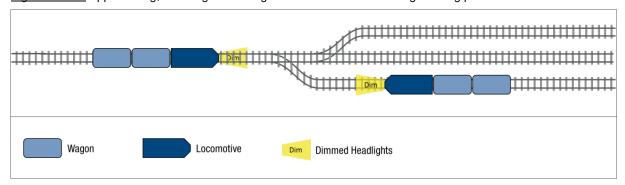


WARNING: When approaching *Level Crossings*, *Headlights* must remain on full unless opposing *Rail Traffic* is simultaneously approaching. In this case, *Rail Traffic Crew* are permitted to dim the *Headlights*.

Rail Traffic Crews are permitted to dim or turn off Headlights when Visibility Lights are operating under the following conditions:

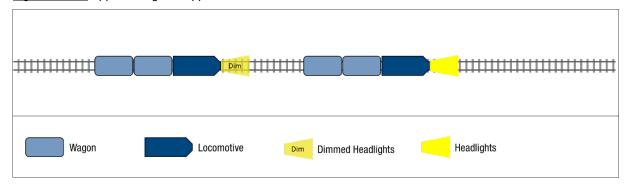
 When approaching, standing or working at Locations where Shunting is being performed.

Figure 4005-1 Approaching, standing or working at locations where shunting is being performed.



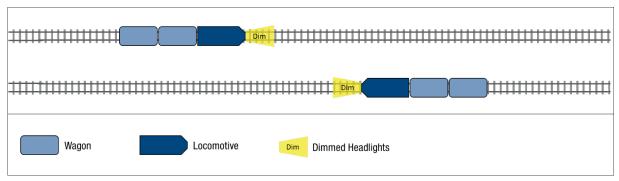
• When approaching or stopped behind other Rail Traffic.

Figure 4005-2 Approaching or stopped behind other rail traffic.



• When approaching and *Crossing* the lead end of opposing *Rail Traffic*.

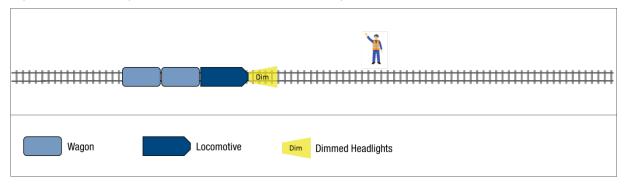
Figure 4005-3 Approaching and crossing the lead end of opposing rail traffic.





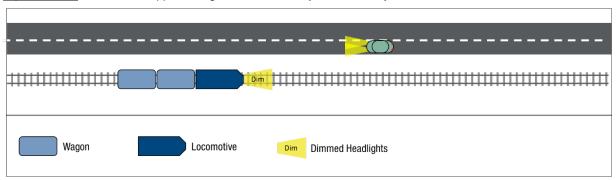
 When Handsignals are displayed or when approaching people or workers on or about the Track.

Figure 4005-4 Handsignals are displayed or when approaching people or workers on or about the track.



When Rail Traffic is approaching road traffic on Adjacent roadways.

Figure 4005-5 Rail traffic is approaching road traffic on adjacent roadways.



• In weather conditions where *Headlights* may reflect back and affect the *Rail Traffic Crew's* vision.

### 3.1 Operating with Headlights Off



WARNING: *Headlights* must not be turned off unless *Marker Lights* or *Visibility Lights* are turned on.

The *Headlights* must be turned off when *Rail Traffic* has stopped *Clear* at a *Crossing Location*, waiting for opposing *Rail Traffic* to *Cross*.

The waiting *Rail Traffic* must display a white *Marker Light* on the side of the *Motive Power Unit* nearest the *Clear Running Line* and a red *Marker Light* on the side of the *Motive Power Unit* furthest from the *Clear Running Line*.

Figure 4005-6 Rail traffic standing on the Loop for a crossing.

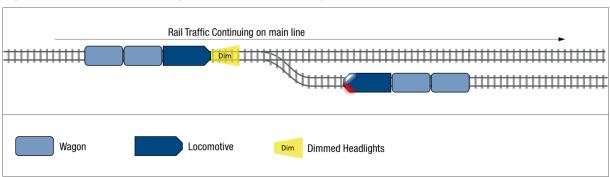
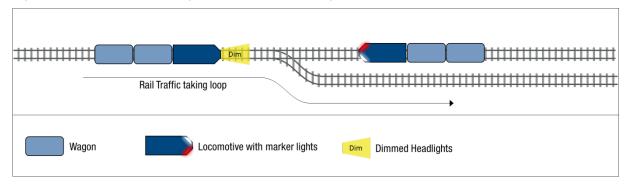


Figure 4005-7 Rail traffic standing on the Main for a crossing.





NOTE: The *Headlight* must be set on full once the lead end of the *Motive Power Unit* has past;

- the opposing Rail Traffic;
- road traffic on Adjacent road way; or
- the worker.

# 4. Displaying Visibility Lights

If provided, Rail Traffic Visibility Lights must be turned on when the Rail Traffic is moving on Running Lines.

If Visibility Lights fail, Rail Traffic may continue normally provided Headlights are turned on.

# 5. Using Lights for Warning

If necessary, Rail Traffic Crew may flash Headlights or change the colour of Marker Lights displayed from white to red to give a warning.

# 6. Failed Headlights

All cases of total *Headlight* failure must be reported to the *Network Controller*.

The Network Controller and the Rail Traffic Crew must make arrangements to:

- effect repairs;
- re-Marshal the Motive Power Units; or
- replace the lead Motive Power Unit.

If this is not possible, the *Rail Traffic* may proceed to the next repair facility.



WARNING: Where *Headlights* have failed, *Rail Traffic Crew* must make additional use of the *Whistle* to compensate for the lack of visual warning.

# 6.1 Total Headlight Failure and Visibility Lights Are Not Available

If visibility is good, Rail Traffic must Travel at Controlled Speed.

During periods of Low Visibility, Rail Traffic must;

- Travel at Restricted Speed and may only Clear the Section; and
- in *Train Order Territory*, stop before *Travelling* over *Points* where mechanical *Points Indicators* exist and ensure *Points* are correctly set before proceeding.

When approaching Level Crossings Rail Traffic must Travel at Restricted Speed prepared to stop and not proceed over the Level Crossing, until:

- Active Control Level Crossing warning equipment is operating; or
- road or pedestrian traffic is not approaching or has stopped at the crossing.

When approaching *Locations* where the *Rail Traffic Crew* is aware or can see workers or other personnel are present on the ground, *Rail Traffic* must *Travel* at *Restricted Speed*.

### 6.2 Total Headlight Failure and Visibility Lights Are Available

If the *Headlights* have failed and *Visibility Lights* are available, *Rail Traffic* may *Travel* at *Normal Speed*.

# 7. Failed Headlights and Whistle

# 7.1 Headlights and Whistle Failed, and Visibility Lights Not Available

If the *Headlights* and *Whistle* fail and *Visibility Lights* are not available and no other *Motive Power Unit* can be used as the lead unit, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must carry out instructions for operating with total *Headlight* failure when *Visibility Lights* not available in accordance with Section 6.1:

During periods of *Low Visibility* the *Rail Traffic* must be treated as *Disabled* in accordance with Rule 4009 Disabled Rail Traffic.

# 7.2 Headlights and Whistle Failed, and Visibility Lights Available

If the *Headlights* and *Whistle* fail and *Visibility Lights* are available, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must:

- continue the movement with the Visibility Lights turned on and Travel at:
- Controlled Speed if visibility is good; or
- Restricted Speed during periods of Low Visibility;
- slow to Restricted Speed before each Level Crossing, prepared to stop if road or pedestrian traffic is approaching;
- not proceed over the Level Crossing, unless:
  - at an Active Control Level Crossing, equipment is operating; or
  - at a Passive Control Level Crossings, it is Clear or road and pedestrian traffic has been stopped;
- slow to Restricted Speed approaching other Rail Traffic and where workers may be present on the ground;
- slow to Restricted Speed approaching people on or about the Track; and
- slow or stop as necessary, if the approach of the Rail Traffic is not attracting the appropriate attention.

# 8. Rail Traffic Markers

### 8.1 Front of Rail Traffic

The front of Rail Traffic must be identified by Headlights, Visibility Lights, or Marker Lights.

If Marker Lights become defective they must be repaired or replaced as soon as practical.

### 8.2 Rear of Rail Traffic

The rear of Rail Traffic must be identified by:

- an End-of-Train Marker,
- one or more clearly visible, steady or flashing red lights;
- an End-of-Train Monitor, or
- a combination of the above.

End-of-Train Markers and monitors must have at least one red light that is illuminated during the hours of darkness or when visibility is low.

### 8.3 Motive Power Unit is Rear Vehicle

When a *Motive Power Unit* is operating without vehicles or is at the rear of the *Rail Traffic Consist*, one of the following must be displayed:

- one or more red Tail Lights; or
- an End-of-Train Marker.

### 8.4 Inspection of End-of-Train Marker

The operation of an *End-of-Train Marker* must be checked before departure and where possible en-route by:

- direct observation of the marker; or
- using telemetry in the cab of the Rail Traffic.

### 8.5 Failed End-of-Train Marker

If the rear End-of-Train Marker fails en-route:

- the Network Controller must be told:
- a red reflector, red flag or red light may be used as an alternative rear marker; and
- Rail Traffic may Travel only as far as the next Location where the marker can be repaired or replaced.

### 8.6 Missing End-of-Train Markers

If Rail Traffic is detected with no End-of-Train Marker the Network Controller must be told.

Rail Traffic may Travel at the discretion of the Network Controller only as far as the next Location where the marker can be replaced.

In Centralised Traffic Control (CTC) Territory, Rail Traffic must be worked in accordance with Rule 5023 Manual Block Working until the End-of-Train Marker has been replaced.

The Network Controller must confirm that:

- the Rail Traffic is Complete; or
- the Sections to the rear of the Rail Traffic are Clear.

If the *Rail Traffic* is unable to be confirmed as *Complete*, affected *Sections* must be treated as *Obstructed* in accordance with Rule <u>2009 Reporting and Responding to Conditions</u>
Affecting the Network.

Until it can be established that the Section is Clear, the Network Controller must:

- apply Blocking Facilities to prevent other Rail Traffic from entering the affected Section;
- tell Rail Traffic Crews within the affected Section to stop their Rail Traffic; and
- warn Rail Traffic on Adjacent lines.

### 8.7 Shunting Marker Lights

Locomotives Shunting within yards must display two red Marker Lights at each end.



NOTE: The *Marker Lights* of *Shunting Locomotives* do not indicate direction of *Travel*.



### 8.8 Identifying Number

Where provided, number lights must be illuminated on the leading Motive Power Unit.

### 8.9 Other Lights

Step and other lights may be illuminated on all units to improve visibility of *Rail Traffic* at night.

# 9. References

2009 Reporting and Responding to Conditions Affecting the Network.

4009 Disabled Rail Traffic

5023 Manual Block Working

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# Network Safeworking Rules and Procedures

# Rail Traffic Whistles

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# Glossary for this Rule

Active Control Level

Crossing

A road or pedestrian level crossing where warning equipment warns road users and pedestrians about approaching rail traffic by devices such as

flashing lights or barriers.

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Clear A proceed indication displayed by a signal.

In reference to a track circuit, block, section or signal route, the absence of

rail traffic.

In reference to track workers being clear of track.

Controlled Speed Controlled speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear line that is visible ahead.

Handsignal A signal given by hand or lights movements, hand signals may be with or

without flags.

Headlights Lights fitted at the front of rail traffic to provide visibility for the rail traffic

crew and to improve the visibility of rail traffic.

Level Crossing A location where the railway line and a road or pedestrian walkway cross

paths on the same level (at grade).

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

Low Visibility Any condition that does not allow Competent Workers to view the distance

required to work safely (e.g. fog, heavy rain, smoke, dusk, curve in the

track))

Marshal To arrange the order of vehicles in a train's consist.

Motive Power Unit A rail vehicle used to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.

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Network Controller A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Operator's Representative A person authorised by an above rail or below rail Operator to act on their

behalf.

Passive Control Level

Crossing

Road and pedestrian level crossing warning that relies on road users and pedestrians looking out for and giving way to rail traffic (i.e. no flashing

lights, half boomgate or bells).



Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Railway Track Signal (RTS) A device attached to a rail that explodes on impact, used to attract attention

of rail traffic crews.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Shunt To move rail traffic, rakes of vehicles, or vehicles on lines for purposes

other than through movement.

Sighting Distance The distance that someone can clearly see along the track.

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Travel Planned or purposeful movement from one location to another.

Uni-Directional Allowing for normal travel in one direction only according to the

infrastructure and system of Safeworking in use.

Visibility Lights Lights Lights, fitted below the headlights, to improve rolling stock's ability to be

seen and to assist the crew in viewing of the immediate area in front of the

vehicle. Also known as ditch lights or crossing lights.

Whistle A device such as a bell, whistle, siren, horn or hooter, fitted to rail traffic to

give audible warning.

Wrong Running-Direction The direction opposite to the normal direction of travel on unidirectional

lines.

# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to describe how *Rail Traffic Whistles* are used to give audible warning or acknowledge *Handsignals*.

# 2. General

Before Rail Traffic enters the Network, Rail Traffic Whistles must be working correctly.

Rail Traffic Whistles must not be sounded unless a valid reason exists.

Rail Traffic Whistles must be sounded with appropriate intensity, length and repetition for the circumstances.

Unless otherwise prohibited, Rail Traffic Whistles must be sounded:

- when approaching Level Crossings;
- where necessary for safety;
- before Rail Traffic is moved;
- if Railway Track Signals (RTS) are activated;
- where WHISTLE signs are placed;
- where people or animals are on or near the *Track*;
- when approaching Locations where Shunting is being performed on Adjacent Tracks:
- to acknowledge Handsignals; and
- as otherwise required by the Brookfield Rail Rules and Procedures.



Where Rail Traffic movements are likely to simultaneously approach a Level Crossing, the Rail Traffic Crews must repeatedly sound the Whistle until Rail Traffic has reached the Level Crossing.

The Rail Traffic Crew must sound the Whistle when approaching Locations where there is limited Sighting Distance when the Rail Traffic movement is:

- run at short notice;
- running in advance of timetable;
- · running late; or
- Travelling in the Wrong Running-Direction on a Uni-Directional Track.

### 2.1 Whistle Codes

Rail Traffic Crews must use the following Whistle codes:

Figure 4007-1 Whistle code table.

Code	Meaning
One long whistle.	Warning, challenge or approaching a level crossing.
One short whistle.	Acknowledgment or moving off.
Two short whistles.	Setting back.
Three short whistles.	Danger-Stop.
Continuous whistling.	Assistance required.

### 2.2 Failure to Acknowledge a Rail Traffic Whistle

If an expected response or acknowledgment to the *Rail Traffic Whistle* is not received, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must continue to sound the *Whistle* and, if required, attempt to Stop the *Rail Traffic*.

# 3. Failed Whistle

The Rail Traffic Crew must report all cases of Whistle failure to the Network Controller and to the Operator's Representative.

### 3.1 Response to a Failure

The Rail Traffic Crew and the Network Controller must make arrangements to:

- effect repairs;
- re-Marshal the Motive Power Units; or
- replace the lead Motive Power Unit.

### 3.2 Running with a Failed Whistle

If the *Whistle* fails and cannot be repaired and no other *Motive Power Unit* can be used as the lead unit, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must:

- continue the movement and *Travel* at:
- Controlled Speed if visibility is good; or
- Restricted Speed during periods of Low Visibility;
- flash the *Headlights* and other *Visibility Lights* to attract attention where necessary;
- slow to Restricted Speed before each Level Crossing, prepared to stop if road or pedestrian traffic is approaching;
- not proceed over the Level Crossing, unless;
  - at an Active Control Level Crossing, equipment is operating; or
  - at a Passive Control Level Crossing, it is Clear or road and pedestrian traffic has stopped;
- slow to Restricted Speed approaching other Rail Traffic where workers may be present on the ground;
- slow to Restricted Speed approaching people on or about the Track; and
- slow or stop as necessary, if the approach of the *Rail Traffic* is not attracting the appropriate attention.

If the *Whistle* and *Headlights* fail and no other *Motive Power Unit* can be used as the lead unit act in accordance with Rule 4005 Rail Traffic Lights and Markers.



# 4. References

4005 Rail traffic Lights and Markers

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# Network Safeworking Rules and Procedures

Removing Disabled Rail Traffic

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# Glossary for this Rule

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Aspect The displayed pattern or position of lights used to give a signal indication.

Authority Formal name for a written Authority (e.g. Local Possession Authority,

Alternative Proceed Authority).

Automatic Signalling

**Territory** 

See Centralised Traffic Control (CTC)

Blocking Facility A facility used by a Network Controller to prevent either the unintended issue

of an Occupancy Authority, or the operation of points or signalling equipment.

Cancel To withdraw permission for or to end previously authorised activities, such

as Occupancy Authorities, without completing them.

Centralised Traffic Control

(CTC)

A system where points and signals at a number of locations are remotely controlled from a centralised control room or other locations along the route.

Clear A proceed indication displayed by a signal.

In reference to a track circuit, block, section or signal route, the absence of

rail traffic.

In reference to track workers being clear of track.

Competent Worker A worker certified as competent to carry out a relevant task.

Complete Rail traffic where the consist has not parted.

Controlled Location A location where a Network Controller controls the signalling and

Safeworking operations remotely.

Departure Signal A Controlled Absolute signal controlling the entrance to a Single line section

in CTC territory.

Disabled Unable to travel due to a defect.

Double Line Automatic

Signalling

The portions of line where the Double Line Automatic Signalling system of

Safeworking is used.

Effective Communication The ability to successfully send, receive and understand information. The

communication does not need to be continuous.

End-of-Train Marker A device, including tail lights, fitted to the trailing end of the last vehicle of a

rail traffic consist to indicate the end of the consist.

Facing Points Points Points with the switch blades facing approaching rail traffic.

Fixed Signal A signal that is located permanently near the line.

Foul In a position to obstruct rail traffic on adjacent lines.



Fulfil To advise the Network Controller that the instructions on, and associated

activities for, an Occupancy Authority have been completed and can be

terminated.

Half Pilot Key A metal key located at the end of a single line CTC section and interlocked

with the Departure signals' circuits. Two half pilot keys can be joined to

provide a full pilot key for Pilot Key Working through the section.

Handsignal A signal given by hand or lights movements, hand signals may be with or

without flags.

Issue To provide or send copies of authorities, warnings, notices and Network

publications to affected Competent Workers by voice, hand delivery or

electronic means.

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

Low Visibility Any condition that does not allow Competent Workers to view the distance

required to work safely (e.g. fog, heavy rain, smoke, dusk, curve in the track))

Motive Power Unit

A rail vehicle used to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.

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safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

**Obstruct** To make a line unsafe for the passage of rail traffic by the placing of tools,

equipment or plant on the track.

Parting Rail traffic consist that has uncoupled en-route (i.e. portions separated).

Permanent Record A record made in writing or in an electronic system, and kept for reference

and audit.

Pilot To direct or guide rail traffic crews and tell them about local conditions and

operating restrictions on running lines and at worksites.

Proceed Authority An Authority (e.g. a PROCEED aspect on a signal, Train Order) that allows rail

traffic to enter and occupy a portion of line and proceed in the forward

direction.

Propel To push rail traffic away from the controlling locomotive or motive power

unit.

Protecting Signal A fixed signal that is held and maintained at Stop to prevent rail traffic entry

into a worksite.

A signal that protects a train from conflicting movements and/or

obstructions.

Protection The means used to prevent rail traffic from entering a worksite or other

portion of track, or to prevent road or pedestrian traffic entering a level

crossing.



Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Railway Track Signal (RTS) A device attached to a rail that explodes on impact, used to attract attention

of rail traffic crews.

Relief Rail Traffic Authority A Relief Rail Traffic Authority is issued to permit relief Rail traffic to enter a

section occupied by disabled Rail Traffic and provides instruction on how

that disabled Rail Traffic is to be recovered.

Restraint Authority The Restraint Authority directs rail traffic not to depart the location

irrespective of any available Proceed Authority.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Running Line A line (other than a siding) that is used for through movement of rail traffic,

not normally used for stabling rail vehicles.

Section The line between the departure end station limit of one location and the

arrival end station limit of another location. A section consists of one or more

blocks.

Secure To safeguard against accidental or unauthorised access or movement.

Set Back

To move in the reverse direction to that provided in the current Proceed

Authority.

Single Line Automatic

Signalling

The portions of line where the Single Line Automatic Signalling system of

Safeworking is used.

System of Safeworking An integrated system of operating procedures and engineered systems used

on the Network, for safe operation of rail traffic, and protection of people and

property.

Tail Lights Red lights used as to designate the end of rail traffic. (see also end-of-train

markers).

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Train A locomotive or self-propelled vehicle, alone or coupled to one or more

vehicles. Rail Traffic.

Train Order An authority issued by the Network Controller for the movement of rail traffic

or issue of LPA track work authorities.

Train Order Territory The portions of line where the Train Order system of Safeworking is used.

Travel Planned or purposeful movement from one location to another.

Wrong Running Direction The direction opposite to the normal direction of travel on unidirectional lines.

# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to provide instructions to *Network Controllers* and *Rail Traffic Crew*, for the removal of *Disabled Rail Traffic* from *Running Lines* in the *Network*.

# 2. General

The Network Controller must determine the method of removing the Disabled Rail Traffic.

If the normal *Proceed Authority* permitted by the existing *System of Safeworking* is not available, and the *Rail Traffic* movement cannot be actioned in accordance with Rule <u>6013 Passing Fixed Signals at STOP</u>, the *Rail Traffic* movement must be authorised using an appropriate *Authority*.

# 3. Disabled Rail Traffic

### 3.1 The Disabled Rail Traffic Crew

The Rail Traffic Crew of the Disabled Rail Traffic must:

- ensure their own safety;
- tell the Network Controller.
  - there is a failure:
  - the Location of the failed Rail Traffic:
  - the nature of the failure, when this has been determined; and
- Protect the Disabled Rail Traffic in accordance with Rule 4001 Protecting Rail Traffic.



WARNING: An unexpected loss of brake pipe pressure may indicate that *Rail Traffic* has derailed, or has derailed and *Fouled*, *Adjacent* lines.

Until otherwise confirmed, *Rail Traffic Crews* must always act on the presumption that *Adjacent* lines have been *Fouled*.

If the *Rail Traffic Crew* suspect their *Rail Traffic* has *Obstructed* an *Adjacent* line, they must protect against approaching *Rail Traffic* in accordance with Rule 4001 Protecting Rail Traffic.

### 3.2 Network Controller

The Network Controller responsible for the affected portions of line must:

- Issue Restraint Authorities in accordance with Rule 4001 Protecting Rail Traffic;
- be assured by the Rail Traffic Crew that the Disabled Rail Traffic, if required, has been Protected; and
- in *Train Order Territory*, *Cancel* the *Train Order* held by the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the *Disabled Rail Traffic* at the *Location* given by the *Rail Traffic Crew*.

# 4. Authorities

The Network Controller must:

- advise affected Competent Workers of the intended movement;
- tell the crew of the Disabled Rail Traffic about details of relief to be provided; and
- tell the crew of the relief *Rail Traffic* about the details of the *Disabled Rail Traffic* and where the *Disabled Rail Traffic* is to be taken:
  - in Train Order Territory, these details must be shown on the Train Order for the relief Rail Traffic.



NOTE: The *Network Controller* must tell the relief *Rail Traffic Crew* the kilometre *Location* of the end of the *Disabled Rail Traffic* in the direction that relief is being provided, and the *Protection* details.

### 4.1 Relief Rail Traffic to Enter the Section from the Rear

The authority for the relief *Rail Traffic* to enter the *Section* from the rear is:

- on Double Line Automatic Signalling, a Relief Rail Traffic Authority (RRTA); and:
  - the normal Proceed Aspect on the signal, where available; or
  - verbal authority from the Network Controller when the Proceed Aspect is unavailable;
- on Single Line Automatic Signalling Sections, a RRTA, verbal authority from the Network Controller, and if returning to the rear, the Half Pilot Key from that Location; and
- in Train Order Territory, a Train Order.

### 4.2 Relief Rail Traffic to Enter the Section from the Advance

The authority for the relief *Rail Traffic* to enter the *Section* from the advance is:

- on Automatic Signalling Sections, a RRTA and verbal authority from the Network Controller.
- in addition, on Single Line Automatic Signalling Sections, if returning to the advance, the Half Pilot Key from that Location; and
- in Train Order Territory, a Train Order.

# 5. Removing Disabled Rail Traffic

The Rail Traffic Crew required to remove Disabled Rail Traffic must:

- establish communications with the crew of the Disabled Rail Traffic;
- slow to Restricted Speed when:
  - 3000 metres from the rear of the Rail Traffic; or
  - entering the block Section where the Disabled Rail Traffic is located within 2500 metres from the Protecting Signal;
- stop 500 metres from the Disabled Rail Traffic;
- be Piloted to the Disabled Rail Traffic; and
- remove the Disabled Rail Traffic as authorised by the Network Controller.

### 5.1 Coupling to the Disabled Rail Traffic

The Rail Traffic Crew of the Disabled Rail Traffic will Handsignal or verbally direct the assisting Rail Traffic Crew to couple to the Disabled Rail Traffic.

The Rail Traffic Crew of the relief Rail Traffic will, if possible, advise the Network Controller when ready to move the Disabled Rail Traffic.

# 5.2 Relief from the Rear and Propelling the Disabled Rail Traffic to the Advance

The Rail Traffic Crew of the relief Rail Traffic will ensure the crew of the Disabled Rail Traffic are able to assist in the braking and safety of the Propelling movement.

Prior to allowing the *Disabled Rail Traffic* to be *Propelled*, the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the *Disabled Rail Traffic* will ensure *Effective Communications* are available between *Rail Traffic Crews*, and:

- the Rail Traffic brake is operational from the Motive Power Unit of the Disabled Rail Traffic; or
- the *Propelling* movement is made in accordance with Rule <u>4015 Setting Back or Propelling on Running Lines.</u>

### 5.3 Double Line Automatic Signalling

# 5.3.1 Where relief has been provided from the rear and is to remove the disabled rail traffic to the rear

Before permitting the relief *Rail Traffic* to remove the *Disabled Rail Traffic* in the *Wrong Running Direction* the *Network Controller* must:

- ensure no Rail Traffic has entered the Section behind the relief Rail Traffic;
- place the Fixed Signal controlling the entry to the Section at Stop and apply Blocking Facilities; and
- ensure a RRTA has been *Issued* for the *Wrong Running Direction* movement to the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the relief *Rail Traffic*.

The crew of the relief Rail Traffic must:

- before moving to the rear, be in possession of a RRTA for the Wrong Running Direction movement;
- return to the rear Location as directed by the Network Controller,
- on arrival at *Station Limits* for the rear *Location*, obtain permission from the *Network Controller* to enter the *Location*; and
- advise the Network Controller when the Section is Clear.

# 5.3.2 Where relief has been provided from the advance and is to remove the disabled rail traffic to the advance

The Rail Traffic Crew of the relief Rail Traffic;

- removes the Disabled Rail Traffic as authorised by the Network Controller, and
- advises the Network Controller when the Section is Clear.

# 5.3.3 Where relief has been provided from the advance and is to remove the disabled rail traffic to the rear

Before permitting the relief *Rail Traffic* to remove the *Disabled Rail Traffic* in the *Wrong Running Direction* the *Network Controller* must:

- ensure no Rail Traffic has entered the Section behind the Disabled Rail Traffic;
- place the Fixed Signal controlling the entry to the Section at Stop and apply Blocking Facilities; and
- ensure a RRTA has been *Issued* for the *Wrong Running Direction* movement to the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the relief *Rail Traffic*.

The Rail Traffic Crew of the relief Rail Traffic must:

- before moving to the rear, be in possession of a RRTA for the Wrong Running Direction movement;
- on arrival at *Station Limits* for the rear *Location*, obtain permission from the *Network Controller* to enter;
- advise the Network Controller the Section is Clear, and
- ensure the *Propelling* movement is made in accordance with Rule <u>4015 Setting Back</u> or <u>Propelling on Running Lines</u>.



NOTE: The crew of the *Disabled Rail Traffic* must assist with the *Propelling* movement as required.

### 5.4 Single Line Automatic Signalling

# 5.4.1 Where relief has been provided from the rear and is to remove the disabled rail traffic to the rear

Before permitting the relief *Rail Traffic* to remove the *Disabled Rail Traffic* to the *Location* in the rear, the *Network Controller* must:

- place the Fixed Signal controlling the entry to the Section at Stop and apply Blocking Facilities; and
- ensure the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the relief *Rail Traffic* are in possession of a RRTA for the movement and the *Half Pilot Key* from the rear *Location*.

### The relief Rail Traffic Crew must:

- before moving to the rear, be in possession of a RRTA for the movement and the Half Pilot Key from the rear Location;
- on arrival at *Station Limits* for the rear *Location*, obtain permission from the *Network Controller* to enter:
- advise the Network Controller when the Section is Clear, and
- replace the Half Pilot Key.

# 5.4.2 Relief from the advance and removing the disabled rail traffic to the advance

The Rail Traffic Crew of the relief Rail Traffic must:

- before removing the Disabled Rail Traffic to the advance, be in possession of a RRTA for the movement and the Half Pilot Key from the advance Location;
- remove the Disabled Rail Traffic as authorised by the Network Controller,
- advise the Network Controller when the Section is Clear, and
- replace the Half Pilot Key.

# 5.4.3 Where relief has been provided from the advance and is to remove the disabled rail traffic to the rear

Before permitting the relief *Rail Traffic* to remove the *Disabled Rail Traffic* to the *Location* in the rear, the *Network Controller* must:

- ensure no Rail Traffic has entered the Section behind the Disabled Rail Traffic:
- place the Fixed Signal controlling the entry to the Section at Stop and apply Blocking Facilities; and
- ensure the *Rail Traffic Crew* of the relief *Rail Traffic* are in possession of a RRTA for the movement and the *Half Pilot Key* from the rear *Location*.

The relief Rail Traffic Crew must:

- before moving to the rear, be in possession of a RRTA for the movement and the *Half Pilot Key* from the rear *Location*;
- on arrival at Station Limits for the rear Location, obtain permission from the Network Controller to enter;
- advise the Network Controller when the Section is Clear, and
- replace the Half Pilot Key.

# 6. Rail Traffic Can Be Divided to Clear the Section

If it is necessary to divide *Rail Traffic* into portions for removal, the *Network Controller* must determine a suitable *Location* to where any divided portion can be moved.

The Network Controller must tell the Rail Traffic Crew the determined Location to take any divided portion.

Before each portion is removed, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must complete continuity tests on the portion to be removed.

If the removed portion of the Rail Traffic will Travel beyond the next Controlled Location:

- Tail Lights or an End-of-Train Marker must be attached to the rear-most vehicle before departing that Location; or
- Rail Traffic must be block worked, in accordance with Rule 5023 Manual Block Working.

### 6.1 Securing and Protecting the Divided Rail Traffic

The portion of the Rail Traffic to remain must be:

- Secured, in accordance with Rule <u>4003 Rail Traffic Integrity</u>, and *Protected*; in accordance with Rule <u>4001 Protecting Rail Traffic</u>, and
- during darkness or in conditions of Low Visibility, fitted with a light on the leading vehicle:
  - in areas where there are Adjacent lines, a white light; or
  - on single lines, a red light.

The Rail Traffic Crew must:

- take a written note of the last vehicle of the front portion;
- move the front portion forward 500 metres; and
- place 3 Railway Track Signals (RTS) on all rails 20 metres apart, in accordance with Procedure 9004 Railway Track signals, in advance of the rear portion.

### **6.2 Arriving at the Controlled Location in Advance**

The Rail Traffic Crew must:

- confirm the portion is Complete; and
- stow the portion as directed by the Network Controller.

### 6.2.1 Single Line Automatic Signalling

The Rail Traffic Crew must:

- immediately on arrival at the *Location*, remove the *Half Pilot Key* for the *Departure Signal* controlling the entrance to the *Section* where the remaining portion is located; and
- retain possession of the Half Pilot Key until all of the Rail Traffic is Cleared from the Section.

### 6.2.2 Train Order Territory

On arrival at the *Location*, where a *Crossing* is to take place and the other *Rail Traffic* is met, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must:

- stop at the Facing Points; and
- inform the Rail Traffic Crew of the circumstances.

### **6.3** Returning for the Rear Portion

The *Rail Traffic Crew* must get permission from the *Network Controller* before returning for the remaining portion.

The Rail Traffic Crew must advise the Network Controller when all of the Rail Traffic is Clear from the Section.

# 7. Parted Rail Traffic



WARNING: Before stopping the forward portion of *Parted Rail Traffic*, *Rail Traffic Crews* must consider the risk of it being struck by the detached portion of the *Rail Traffic*.

Rail Traffic Crews who become aware that their Rail Traffic has Parted must:

- stop the Rail Traffic; and
- tell the *Network Controller* about the *Parting* and, if possible, the *Location* of the detached portion.

The *Network Controller* must determine whether the *Proceed Authority* for the movement back to the detached portion:

- is available under the existing System of Safeworking; or
- must be authorised using an RRTA.

The *Rail Traffic Crew* must not *Set Back* the forward portion of the *Rail Traffic* to the *Location* of the detached portion unless:

- the detached portion is Secured; and
- the Setting Back movement is made in accordance with Rule 4015 Setting Back or Propelling on Running Lines.

# 8. Parted Rail Traffic and Rail Traffic Crew Unaware

The Network Controller must, if necessary:

- arrange to locate the detached portions of the Rail Traffic;
- arrange to warn Rail Traffic Crews approaching the affected portions of line;
- arrange to prevent Rail Traffic from approaching the affected portions of line;
- apply Blocking Facilities; and
- arrange for recovery of the detached portion.

Competent Workers who find detached vehicles must:

- if possible, Secure them, and arrange for their Protection; and
- tell the Network Controller.

# 9. Cancelling an RRTA

The RRTA may be *Cancelled* only if the *Network Controller* is assured that the authorised movement has not started or has not been completed.

The Network Controller must tell affected Competent Workers that the RRTA has been Cancelled

# 10. Fulfilling an RRTA

The RRTA must be *Fulfilled* only when the *Rail Traffic Crew* assures the *Network Controller* that the authorised movements have been completed and the block *Section* is *Clear*.



NOTE: The Restraint Authority Issued to the Rail Traffic Crew of the Disabled Rail Traffic must be Cancelled when the whole of the Disabled Rail Traffic has been removed Complete from the block Section in accordance with Rule 4001 Protecting Rail Traffic.

# 11. Keeping Records

Network Controllers must keep a Permanent Record of:

- the Issue of the RRTA; and
- details of affected Competent Workers told about the authorised movements.

Rail Traffic Crews and other Competent Workers must keep a Permanent Record of the Issue of the RRTA.

# 12. References

4001 Protecting Rail Traffic

4003 Rail Traffic Integrity

4015 Setting Back or Propelling on Running Lines.

5023 Manual Block Working

6013 Passing Fixed Signals at STOP

9004 Railway Track signals

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# Glossary for this Rule

Bi-Directional Normal movement of rail traffic in either direction according to the

infrastructure and system of Safeworking in use.

Block A portion of line with defined limits between which only one rail traffic

movement is permitted at any one time (i.e. not a Permissive Block).

Centralised Traffic Control

(CTC)

A system where points and signals at a number of locations are remotely controlled from a centralised control room or other locations along the

route.

Centralised Traffic Control

(CTC) Territory

The portions of line where the Centralised Traffic Control system of

Safeworking is used.

Controlled Location/Station May consist of single or double ended portion of track, to hold rail traffic,

connected to a main line that is used to permit other rail traffic to cross or

pass

Double Line Automatic

Signalling

The portions of line where the Double Line Automatic Signalling system of

Safeworking is used.

Facing Points Points Points with the switch blades facing approaching rail traffic where the track

diverges.

Fixed Signal A signal that is located permanently near the line.

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

Network Controller A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Points A track component consisting of paired pieces of tapered rail (blades) that

can be moved and set to allow tracks to diverge or converge.

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Running Line A line (other than a siding) that is used for through movement of rail traffic,

not normally used for stabling rail vehicles.

Set Back To move in the reverse direction to that provided in the current Proceed

Authority.

Shunt To move rail traffic, rakes of vehicles, or vehicles on lines for purposes

other than through movement.



Single Line Automatic The portions of line where the Single Line Automatic Signalling system of

Signalling Safeworking is used.

Station A system of tracks within station limits at the beginning or end of a section

at which rail traffic may cross, pass or run around.

Station Limits A defined operational limit of controlled locations or a running line.

Trailing Points Points Points with the switch blades facing away from approaching rail traffic.

Train Order Location A location in Train Order territory that may be used as the limit of a Proceed

Authority or as a reporting location.



# 1. Purpose

The object of this Rule is to provide instructions on how *Station Limits* are defined, and how *Rail Traffic* movements are controlled, within *Station Limits*.

# 2. General

Station Limits define the limits of Controlled Locations.

If *Fixed Signals* are not available, *Network Controllers* must give verbal authority for movements within *Station Limits*.

Network Controllers must make sure they do not authorise conflicting movements.

# 3. Station Limits

Depending on their availability at a *Location*, signs or signals determine arrival end and departure end of *Station Limits*.

A Station Limit is defined by a:

- specified Controlled Absolute Signal; or
- Station Limit sign.



NOTE: Controlled Absolute Signals are identified by a white reflectorised marker plate located on the centre of the mast in accordance with Rule 6005 Fixed Signals, with the signal number displayed.

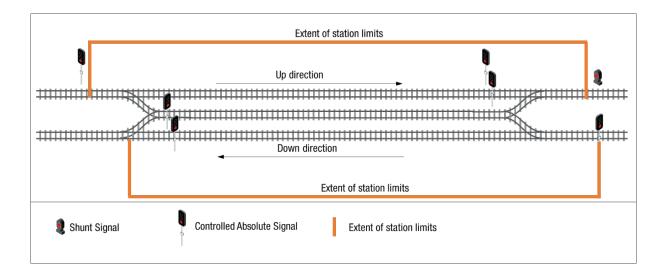
### 3.1 Centralised Traffic Control Territory

### 3.1.1 Double-line

Station Limits in Double Line Centralised Traffic Control (CTC) Territory are determined by:

	Limit
From	the first Controlled Absolute Signal at that Double Line CTC Station.
То	the last Controlled Absolute Signal at that Double Line CTC Station;
	Facing or Trailing Points beyond that Fixed Signal; or
	Shunt Set Back signal beyond that Fixed Signal.

Figure: 4011-1 Example of Station Limits in double line CTC territory.



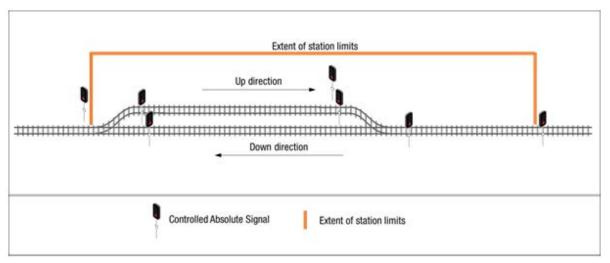


### 3.1.2 Bi-Directional single-line

Station Limits in Bi-Directional Single Line Centralised Traffic Control (CTC) Territory are determined by:

	Limit
From	The first Controlled Absolute Signal at that Single Line CTC Station.
То	The first Controlled Absolute Signal in the opposing direction, at that Single Line CTC Station.

Figure 4011-2 Example of Station Limits in bidirectional single-line CTC territory.





### 3.2 Train Order Territory

Station Limits at Train Order Locations are determined by STATION LIMITS signs.

FIGURE: 4011-3 Station Limits at Train Order locations.

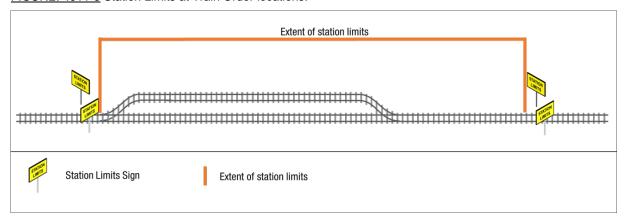
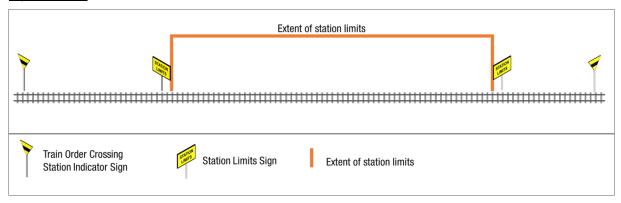


Figure: 4011-4 Station Limits at Train Order locations.



# 4. Station Working

### 4.1 Running Lines

Rail Traffic movements on Running Lines within Station Limits must be authorised by the Network Controller.

If available, Fixed Signals must be used to authorise movements.

Fixed Signals at STOP must be passed only in accordance with Rule <u>6013 Passing Fixed Signals at STOP</u>.

### 4.2 Unsignalled Movements

Unsignalled movements within Station Limits must not exceed Restricted Speed.

Before authorising an unsignalled movement that opposes other *Rail Traffic*, the *Network Controller* must make sure that at least one unoccupied *Block* is maintained between the movements.

The *Block* between the opposing movements must remain unoccupied until one of the approaching *Rail Traffic* movements is brought to a Stop.

The *Network Controller* must tell the *Rail Traffic Crew* involved in the unsignalled movement not to Proceed beyond the relevant *Station Limits*.



# 5. References

6005 Fixed Signals

6013 Passing Fixed Signals at STOP

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# Glossary for this Rule

Active Control Level A road or pedestrian level crossing where warning equipment warns road

Crossing

users and pedestrians about approaching rail traffic by devices such as

flashing lights or barriers.

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Advertise To give written or electronic notice, usually in advance, of planned

activities.

Airbrake A braking system activated by change in air pressure.

Brookfield Rail Brookfield Rail Pty. Ltd.

Catch Points Single or double bladed points used to derail rail traffic that might enter or

foul an adjacent running line.

Clear A proceed indication displayed by a signal.

In reference to a track circuit, block, section or signal route, the absence of

rail traffic.

In reference to track workers being clear of track.

Competent Worker A worker certified as competent to carry out a relevant task.

Consist A listed order of the vehicles arranged to make up a complete train.

Delegate A Competent Worker authorised and designated to act in place of another.

Derail Device A device intended to guide the wheels of rail traffic off the rails to protect a

running line.

Effective Communication The ability to successfully send, receive and understand information. The

communication does not need to be continuous.

Fixed Signal A signal that is located permanently near the line.

Handbrake A device to secure a rail vehicle against movement.

Haul To move rail traffic using a motive power source at the leading end.

Level Crossing A location where the railway line and a road or pedestrian walkway cross

paths on the same level (at grade).

Locomotive Self-propelled, non-passenger-carrying railway vehicles used for hauling

other (typically freight or passenger) rolling stock.

Main Line The running line (not including Loops) normally used for running rail traffic

through and between locations

Marshal To arrange the order of vehicles in a train's consist.

Marshalling Irregularity An irregularity in marshalling of a train, for example, not in accordance with

the Dangerous Goods code.



Motive Power Unit A rail vehicle used to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.

Network A combination of track and other associated infrastructure controlled by

Brookfield Rail.

Network Controller A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Obstruct To make a line unsafe for the passage of rail traffic by the placing of tools,

equipment or plant on the track.

Platform A designated raised or level area, next to the line, that allows passengers to

enter and leave trains.

Points A track component consisting of paired pieces of tapered rail (blades) that

can be moved and set to allow tracks to diverge or converge.

Propel To push rail traffic away from the controlling locomotive or motive power

unit.

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Route The rail traffic path from one limit of authority to the next in the direction of

travel.

Running Line A line (other than a siding) that is used for through movement of rail traffic,

not normally used for stabling rail vehicles.

Section The line between the departure end station limit of one location and the

arrival end station limit of another location. A section consists of one or

more blocks.

Secure To safeguard against accidental or unauthorised access or movement.

Shunt To move rail traffic, rakes of vehicles, or vehicles on lines for purposes

other than through movement.

Stable To leave rail traffic unattended and secured, usually in a siding.

Station Limits A defined operational limit of controlled locations or a running line.

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Unauthorised Not given approval, or exceeding the limit of authority.

# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to prescribe the rules for safe *Shunting* and *Marshalling* in the *Network*.

# 2. General

Vehicles must not be *Shunted* in the *Network* without a *Motive Power Unit* attached (i.e. loose-*Shunted*).

### 2.1 Shunting

Shunting is moving Rail Traffic:

- to arrange or rearrange vehicle order in a Consist,
- to attach or detach vehicles from a Consist,
- to move vehicles in a yard or terminal; or
- to or from Running Lines, except for through Rail Traffic movements.

Shunting must be performed at a speed not exceeding restricted speed.

When performing *Shunting*, *Rail Traffic* may only be moved with the authority of the *Competent Worker* directing the *Shunting* operations.

Workers not involved in *Shunting* must stay *Clear* of moving vehicles.

### 2.2 Marshalling

Vehicles carrying Dangerous Goods must be *Marshalled* in accordance with the <u>Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code)©.</u>

# 3. Planning Shunting



WARNING: If there are narrow *Track* clearances, *Competent Workers* performing *Shunting* must keep at least 2 metres between themselves and moving vehicles.

When planning Shunting the Competent Worker directing Shunting operations must:

- confer with the Network Controller and agree about planned movements;
- confer with the Rail Traffic Crew and other Competent Workers and agree about planned movements; and
- warn other *Competent Workers* of hazards presented by narrow *Track* clearances, such as:
  - gates and fences;
  - buildings;
  - Platforms; and
  - rail vehicles on Adjacent lines.

Competent Workers during Shunting operations must:

- if necessary, arrange for clearance of *Fixed Signals*;
- make sure that Routes are correctly set and safe for movements; and
- make sure that it is safe to Shunt.

Competent Workers must tell Network Controller when Shunting within their area of control has been completed.

### 3.1 Shunting Over Points

If the Competent Worker directing Shunting is not assured that the Points will hold their set positions, the Points must be Secured for the intended Route.

# 4. Directing Shunting

A Competent Worker directing Shunting must:

- make use of radio, hand or light signals to Communicate Effectively with the worker at the controls of the Motive Power Unit;
- be in a position where the safe progress of the movement and the line ahead can be seen; and
- closely accompany or ride in or on the leading vehicle in a position designated as safe by the operator and approved by *Brookfield Rail*.

Rail Traffic Crews and Competent Workers directing Shunting must communicate at agreed intervals.

If communication between a *Competent Worker* directing *Shunting* and the *Rail Traffic Crew* is interrupted, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must stop the movement immediately.

# Running Lines

Shunting on Running Lines must be authorised by the Network Controller.

On *Running Lines*, vehicles being *Shunted* must be equipped with an operating continuous *Airbrake*.

Vehicles with defective brakes must be *Shunted* in accordance with *Brookfield Rail's* specific instructions (refer Rule 4003 Rail Traffic Integrity).

# 6. Level Crossings

A Shunting movement over a Level Crossing must:

- be directed by a Competent Worker,
- not be commenced unless the Level Crossing is Clear, or road and pedestrian traffic has stopped; and
- not be commenced before it is safe to do so.

Where provided, Active Control Level Crossing equipment must be operated.

Shunted vehicles Hauled or Propelled across a Level Crossing must have the continuous Airbrake throughout the Consist.



NOTE: The *Consist* of vehicles being shunted must comply with Brookfield Rail's Automatic Air and Vacuum Brake Instructions.



# 7. Attaching Locomotive

After attaching a *Locomotive* to stationary vehicles, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must fully pressurise the brake pipe before releasing *Handbrakes*.

# Detached Rail Vehicles

Vehicles must not be detached from a *Motive Power Unit*, or a continuous brake system, until they are *Secured* against unintended movement by the use of sufficient effective *Handbrakes* or other devices, in accordance with Rule <u>4001 Rail Traffic Integrity</u>.

Detached vehicles must be Secured:

- where necessary, Clear of Adjacent lines;
- Clear of Level Crossings; and
- inside Catch Points or Derail Devices provided to prevent vehicles entering Running Lines.

The Rail Traffic Crew must advise the Network Controller of vehicles detached en-route.

# 9. Vehicles Under Repair

Vehicles with warning signs, flags or lights must not be moved or *Shunted* against or have other vehicles attached to them unless:

- the warning signs, flag or lights are removed by the workers who put them there;
- no work is being done on or near the vehicles; and
- it is safe to move the vehicles.



# 10. Stabling Rail Traffic

### 10.1 On Running Lines

Rail Traffic may be Stabled on Running Lines only if:

- Derailing Devices are available;
- where Derailing Devices are not available, it has been authorised by the Brookfield Rail Manager Network Operations or Delegate;
- Advertised, when required;
- Unauthorised access to Motive Power Unit controls are prevented, and
- it is Secured against unintended movement.

### 10.2 In Station Limits

Where possible, when *Rail Traffic* is *Stabled* on a *Running Line* within *Station Limits*, the *Points* must be set to divert other *Rail Traffic* around the *Stabled Rail Traffic*.

### 10.3 In Sections

If the *Rail Traffic* is *Stabled* on the *Main Line* within a *Section*, the *Rail Traffic* must be treated as an *Obstruction* and *Protected* in accordance with Rule <u>4001 Protecting Disabled Rail Traffic</u>.

# 11. Marshalling Irregularity

If a *Marshalling Irregularity* is identified, the *Network Controller* and the *Rail Traffic Crew* must jointly arrange for the irregularity to be corrected.

# 12. Restoring Equipment

After completion of *Shunting* a *Competent Worker* must restore *Points*, signals and other equipment to their normal position.

The Competent Worker must report to the Network Controller that equipment has been restored.



# 13. References

4001 Protecting Disabled Rail Traffic.

4003 Rail Traffic Integrity

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code)©

Automatic Air and Vacuum Brake Instructions

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# Network Safeworking Rules and Procedures

Setting Back or Propelling on Running Lines





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# Glossary for this Rule

Active Control Level

Crossing

A road or pedestrian level crossing where warning equipment warns road users and pedestrians about approaching rail traffic by devices such as

flashing lights or barriers.

Airbrake A braking system activated by change in air pressure.

Authority Formal name for a written Authority (e.g. Local Possession Authority,

Alternative Proceed Authority).

Automatic Brake A brake which operates automatically in the event of a reduction of Brake

Pipe pressure through any cause.

Blocking Facility A facility used by a Network Controller to prevent either the unintended

issue of an Occupancy Authority, or the operation of points or signalling

equipment.

Brookfield Rail Brookfield Rail Pty. Ltd.

Centralised Traffic Control

(CTC) Territory

The portions of line where the Centralised Traffic Control system of

Safeworking is used.

Competent Worker A worker certified as competent to carry out a relevant task.

Consist A listed order of the vehicles arranged to make up a complete train.

Controlled Absolute Signal A signal that is controlled or operated by a Network Controller. The signal

must not be passed at STOP without authority.

Controlled Location/Station May consist of single or double ended portion of track, to hold rail traffic,

connected to a main line that is used to permit other rail traffic to cross or

pass.

Effective Communication The ability to successfully send, receive and understand information. The

communication does not need to be continuous.

Fixed Signal A signal that is located permanently near the line.

Fulfil To advise the Network Controller that the instructions on, and associated

activities for, an Occupancy Authority have been completed and can be

terminated.

Half Pilot Key A metal key located at the end of a single line CTC section and interlocked

with the Departure signals' circuits. Two half pilot keys can be joined to

provide a full pilot key for Pilot Key Working through the section.

Haul To move rail traffic using a motive power source at the leading end.

Issue To provide or send copies of authorities, warnings, notices and Network

publications to affected Competent Workers by voice, hand delivery or

electronic means.



Limit of Authority The limit may be defined by a sign, a signal capable of displaying a STOP

indication, or a specific kilometrage point on a line.

It defines the location to which rail traffic may travel under a Proceed

Authority or the limits of a work on track authority.

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

Network A combination of track and other associated infrastructure controlled by

Brookfield Rail.

Network Controller A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Passive Control Level

Crossing

Road and pedestrian level crossing warning that relies on road users and pedestrians looking out for and giving way to rail traffic (i.e. no flashing

lights, half boomgate or bells).

Proceed Authority An Authority that allows rail traffic to enter and occupy a portion of line and

proceed in the forward direction.

Propel To push rail traffic away from the controlling locomotive or motive power

unit.

Protection The means used to prevent rail traffic from entering a worksite or other

portion of track, or to prevent road or pedestrian traffic entering a level

crossing.

Restricted Speed Restricted speed is a speed that allows rail traffic to stop short of an

obstruction within half the distance of clear track that is visible ahead.

Restricted speed must not exceed 25 km/h.

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Running Line A line (other than a siding) that is used for through movement of rail traffic,

not normally used for stabling rail vehicles.

Section The line between the departure end station limit of one location and the

arrival end station limit of another location. A section consists of one or

more blocks.

Set Back To move in the reverse direction to that provided in the current Proceed

Authority.

Shunt To move rail traffic, rakes of vehicles, or vehicles on lines for purposes

other than through movement.



Single Line Working Rail traffic working in both directions over a single line where multiple line

unidirectional operation normally applies.

Station A system of tracks within station limits at the beginning or end of a section

at which rail traffic may cross, pass or run around.

Station Limits A defined operational limit of controlled locations or a running line.

Stopping Place A designated location, next to the line, that may allow personnel to enter

and leave trains.

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Train Order An authority issued by the Network Controller for the movement of rail

traffic or issue of LPA track work authorities.

Train Order Territory The portions of line where the Train Order system of Safeworking is used.

Travel Planned or purposeful movement from one location to another.

Work on Track The work performed in the Danger Zone.



# 1. Purpose

The object of this Rule is to describe how *Rail Traffic* is managed when it is required to *Set Back* or *Propel* on *Running Lines* in the *Network*.

# 2. General

Rail Traffic may need to Set Back or Propel if:

- the forward portion of *Rail Traffic* is *Set Back* or *Propelled* towards a stationary portion of *Rail Traffic*;
- a Limit of Authority is overrun;
- it cannot continue in the forward direction;
- a Stopping Place has been partially or completely overrun, and it is necessary to return to the Stopping Place;
- an unsafe condition is encountered; or
- Shunting operations are required on Running Lines.

# 3. Authorities

Signals, if available, must be used to give Proceed Authorities.

### 3.1 Setting back to Attach a Portion of Parted Rail Traffic



WARNING: An appropriate *Authority* is required if the rear portion is beyond a *Controlled Location*.

The verbal authority of the *Network Controller* is required before *Setting Back* on a *Running Line* if the forward portion of *Rail Traffic* is to *Set Back* towards a stationary portion of the *Rail Traffic*.

### 3.2 Setting Back – Unable to Proceed in the Normal Direction

Rail Traffic may need to be Set Back if it cannot continue in the forward direction.

### 3.2.1 Double Line Centralised Traffic Control (CTC) Territory

In Double line areas the movement back is authorised by the *Network Controller* on a Relief Rail Traffic Authority (RRTA) and where possible signal indication.

### 3.2.2 Single Line CTC Territory

In Single Line areas the movement back is authorised by the Network Controller where:

- the Rail Traffic Crew is in possession of the Half Pilot Key from the Station to which the Rail Traffic is moving; or
- the Rail Traffic Crew is in sight of a Controlled Absolute Signal which controls entry to the Controlled Location and that signal is at PROCEED.

### 3.2.3 Train Order Territory

In *Train Order Territory* the movement back is permitted where the *Rail Traffic Crew* are in possession of a *Train Order*, and verbal permission from the *Network Controller* is obtained.

### 3.3 Setting Back at Stopping Places

Rail Traffic may need to be Set Back if an overrun of a Stopping Place occurs.

The verbal authority of the *Network Controller* must be obtained to *Set Back* and a *Competent Worker* must be in attendance to ensure the move is safe.



### 3.4 Propelling During Shunting

Propelling during Shunting on Running Lines requires an appropriate authority from the Network Controller.



NOTE: In *Train Order Territory* the *Rail Traffic Crew* must be in possession of a *Train Order* for movements outside *Station Limits* or beyond the Limit of *Shunt* signs.

# 4. Assurances

Before authorising the movement, the Network Controller must:

- ensure the portion of *Track* into which the movement is to Proceed is *Clear* of *Rail Traffic*;
- · where available, apply Blocking Facilities; and
- ensure current *Work on Track Authorities* or methods in affected *Sections* are *Fulfilled* or worksites are *Protected*.

### 4.1 Authority Details

An Authority Issued to Rail Traffic for a Set Back or Propelling movement must specify the Location to which Travel is authorised.

# Conditions for Setting Back or Propelling

Rail Traffic must Set Back or Propel only:

- if it is not practicable to Haul the Rail Traffic; and
- as far as the Authority to Propel allows.

Where practicable the Rail Traffic Crew must drive from the leading end of Rail Traffic.

The Competent Worker directing the Set Back or Propelling movement must:

- closely accompany or precede the leading vehicle; or
- ride in the leading vehicle in a position designated as safe by the operator and approved by Brookfield Rail.

Effective Communication must be in place between the Competent Worker and the Rail Traffic Crew.

Where verbal commands are used to direct *Rail Traffic* movements, the *Competent Worker* directing the movement and the *Rail Traffic Crew*, must communicate at agreed intervals.

If communication between the *Rail Traffic Crew* and the *Competent Worker* directing the movement is interrupted, the crew must stop the *Rail Traffic* immediately.

### 5.1 Rail Traffic Crew

The Rail Traffic Crew must:

- ensure that the movement is authorised;
- if available, ensure the *Automatic Brake* connection is continuous throughout the *Rail Traffic Consist*, and that the brakes on the leading vehicle are operating;
- make sure that the movement does not exceed its Limit of Authority; and
- not exceed Restricted Speed.

### 5.2 Level Crossings

At Active Control Level Crossings, a Setting Back or Propelling movement must not proceed unless the warning equipment is operating or Level Crossing Protection is in place.

At *Passive Control Level Crossings*, a *Setting Back* or *Propelling* movement must not proceed unless the crossing is *Clear*, or road and pedestrian traffic has stopped.

A movement over the crossing must:

- be directed by a Competent Worker,
- not Proceed before it is safe to do so; and
- not exceed 10 km/h before the leading vehicle has Cleared the crossing.

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# Glossary for this Rule

Access Provider An organisation that provides and manages a Rail Network and safe

method of entry to that network for Access Users.

Adjacent Near to, close to, parallel to.

Authority Formal name for a written Authority (e.g. Local Possession Authority,

Alternative Proceed Authority).

Competent Worker A worker certified as competent to carry out a relevant task.

Disabled Unable to travel due to a defect.

Emergency Incident requiring urgent action. The incident might involve death or serious

injury, health or safety effects, significant damage to property or

infrastructure.

Location A place in the Network with a designated name, identification number, or

signalling reference.

**Network** A combination of track and other associated infrastructure controlled by

Brookfield Rail.

Network Controller A Competent Worker who authorises and issues Occupancy Authorities,

and works points, signals and other signalling equipment to manage routes

for safe and efficient transit of rail traffic in the Network.

Occupancy Presence of rail traffic or track workers on track.

Protection The means used to prevent rail traffic from entering a worksite or other

portion of track, or to prevent road or pedestrian traffic entering a level

crossing.

Protection Officer The Competent Worker responsible for managing the rail safety component

of worksite protection (i.e. compliance with Network Safeworking Rules

and procedures).

Rail Traffic Trains and track vehicle or vehicles travelling on the Network.

Rail Traffic Crew Competent Workers responsible for the operation of the Motive Power Unit.

Section The line between the departure end station limit of one location and the

arrival end station limit of another location. A section consists of one or

more blocks.

Secure To safeguard against accidental or unauthorised access or movement.

Track The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and

crossings.

Track Workers Competent rail safety workers whose primary duties are associated with

work on or around infrastructure in the Rail Corridor.

Work on Track The work performed in the Danger Zone.



# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to provide instructions for dealing with overdue *Occupancies* in the *Network*.

# General

Where the agreed or expected reporting, clearance or *Section* running times are exceeded by 15 minutes, the *Network Controller* must act in accordance with Rule <u>2027</u> Responsibilities of Network Controller; and

- contact the Competent Worker in charge of the Work on Track activities; or
- contact the Rail Traffic Crew.

If this contact cannot be made, the *Network Controller* must advise the *Track Workers* or *Rail Traffic Crews* organisation and alert them to the circumstances.

The requirements of Rule <u>2009 Reporting and Responding to a Condition Affecting the Network (CAN)</u> must be observed if the *Network Controller* cannot communicate with the crew of an overdue *Rail Traffic* movement.

The crew of overdue *Rail Traffic* must act in accordance with Rule <u>2027 Responsibilities of</u> Rail Traffic Crews.

If the *Track Worker's* or *Rail Traffic Crew's* safety cannot be established, the *Network Controller* must initiate *Emergency* procedures.

# 3. Stopped Rail Traffic

If *Rail Traffic* is delayed due to an unscheduled stop the *Rail Traffic Crew* must immediately advise the *Network Controller*.

- the Location of the stopped Rail Traffic;
- the reason why the Rail Traffic has stopped; and
- the expected duration of the stoppage.

If a Rail Traffic stoppage is or will become extended, the Rail Traffic Crew must:

- tell the Network Controller the reason why the Rail Traffic stoppage is extended;
- Secure the Rail Traffic in accordance with Rule 4003 Rail Traffic Integrity; and
- provide Protection for the Rail Traffic in accordance with Rule 4001 Protecting Rail Traffic.

# 4. Inspecting Stopped Rail Traffic



WARNING: Where there is a risk of being struck by *Rail Traffic* on *Adjacent* lines, the *Rail Traffic Crew* must arrange to implement safety measures in accordance with Procedure <u>9010 Protecting Work from Rail Traffic on Adjacent Lines</u>.



WARNING: Adjacent lines may be under the control of different Network Controllers or Access Providers.

If it is necessary to inspect their Rail Traffic the Rail Traffic Crew must:

- make sure that they are Protected against Rail Traffic on Adjacent lines in accordance with Procedure 9010 Protecting Work from Rail Traffic on Adjacent Lines; and
- tell the Network Controller the result of the inspection.



# 5. Disabled Rail Traffic

If the *Rail Traffic Crew* reports overdue *Rail Traffic* as *Disabled*, the *Network Controller* must act in accordance with Rule 4009 Disabled Rail Traffic.

# 6. Overdue Track Occupancy

If a Work on Track Authority is overdue, the Protection Officer must tell the Network Controller.

- the reason why the Authority is overdue; and
- the Location, if assistance is required.

## 7. References

2009 Reporting and Responding to a Condition Affecting the Network (CAN)

2027 Responsibilities of Network Controllers

2029 Responsibilities of Rail Traffic Crews

4001 Protecting Rail Traffic

4003 Rail Traffic Integrity

4009 Disabled Rail Traffic

9010 Protecting Work from Rail Traffic on Adjacent Lines

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