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1.5	8 Feb 24	Various	Updated index to general instruction pages with traceability for withdrawn TOC Manual Section Pages and previously withdrawn TOC Manual Sections 1, 7, 9 & 11. Greyed out other redundant information.
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003	Section 03 – Train Operations – Withdrawn – Superseded by RAS General Information	N/A - Withdrawn	3.0
004	Section 04 – Train Marshalling Restrictions	01 Apr 2004	4.0
005	Section 05 – Loading Restrictions	01 Aug 2000	3.0
006	Section 06 – Train Inspection	01 Dec 2002	1.0
007	Section 07 – ARTC Train Numbering – Withdrawn – Superseded by RAS Appendix B	N/A – Withdrawn	1.5
800	Section 08 – Disabled Trains	01 Dec 2002	1.0
009	Section 09 – Operation of Track Maintenance Vehicles – Withdrawn – Superseded by EPP-32-01	N/A – Withdrawn	4.0
010	Section 10 – Locomotive and Rolling Stock Data	16 Nov 2020	2.1
011	Section 11 – Track Maintenance Vehicle Data – Withdrawn – Refer to Aquipa and EPP-32-01	N/A – Withdrawn	2.1

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This glossary contains terminology used in the General Instruction Pages of the TOC manual. Terminology is consistent with the Network Rules and the Draft National Code of Practice.

airbrake	A braking system activated by change of air pressure.
articulated vehicle	A vehicle comprising of two or more units, adjacent ends of individual units being supported on a common bogie and permanently connected by a device which permits a degree of free rotation in all planes.
articulated platform	The individual end or intermediate units of an articulated vehicle.
automatic airbrake	A braking system where the loss air pressure (e.g. brake pipe) automatically results in an emergency brake application.
bank locomotive	A locomotive provided at the rear of a train to assist it up a steep grade (bank).
basic block working	A form of manual block working which does not require the issue of a Condition Affecting the Network (CAN) form.
block train	A train required to travel under manual block working in track-circuited territory.
block working	See 'manual block working'.
brake pipe continuity	The brake pipe coupling hoses are connected and coupling cocks are open between vehicles to ensure changes in air pressure in the brake pipe is transmitted from one end of the train to the other end.
consist	Listed order of the vehicles arranged to make up a complete train.
convoy	A group of track vehicles not coupled but travelling
	closely together under a single Proceed Authority or a Track Occupancy Authority.
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emergency cock	A readily accessible manually operated valve or tap, in a vehicle with an automatic air brake that exhausts the brake pipe to atmosphere causing an emergency brake application. Sometimes referred as an emergency brake pipe tap.
emergency coupler	An adaptor used to coupe vehicles with incompatible coupling systems.
end-of-train marker (EOTM)	A device other than tail lights fitted to the trailing end of the last vehicle of a train.
fit for purpose	Able to be used for the required function.
handbrake	A mechanical device used to secure a rail vehicle against movement. Handbrake includes a spring parking brake.
handlamp	A lamp or torch which can display red, white & green lights.
haul	To move rail traffic using motive power source at the leading end of the train.
horn	See whistle.
light locomotive	One or more locomotives not attached to another vehicle.
loading cycle	Cycle of operation of a freight train including travelling to a loading location, loading, travelling to destination and unloading.
loading outline	The maximum height and width to which rail vehicles can be loaded for a particular line without fouling, as prescribed in the Train Operating Conditions manual, Section 5, Loading Restrictions.
locomotive	A self-propelled rail-bound vehicle that may be used to move other vehicles. The Driver's cab of a multiple power unit is considered a locomotive.
manual block working	A method of special working which ensures sole occupancy by manually maintaining a block behind a rail traffic movement.
marker lights	Lights which indicate the front or rear of the train.
marshal	To arrange the order of vehicles in a train's consist.
multiple unit locomotive	Two or more locomotives marshalled together to provide the power to move itself or other vehicles.
multiple unit train	See DMU and EMU.
must	The word 'must' indicates that a statement is mandatory.
Network Rules	Rules issued by RIC to mandate the requirements for safe operation in the RIC network.
normal speed	A speed that does not exceed the current speed limit for the track and class of rail traffic.
On-track vehicles	Track maintenance vehicles (self propelled or trailer) that can operate on rail, and are typically used for track construction, maintenance and restoration, servicing and inspection of overhead electrical infrastructure.
Operator	An organisation that manages, operates or maintains rail traffic on the RIC Network.

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Operator's representative	A person authorised by an Operator to act on the Operator's behalf.
Operator Specific Procedures (OSP)	A set of instructions prepared by an Operator on the RIC Network, or by RIC, specifically for that organisation's use.
partial train inspection	A train inspection carried out when the train consist is altered and includes only parts of a full train inspection.
prescribed train	A train laden in excess of a specified percentage of its maximum load that can be hauled by the motive power unit, for that portion of line.
power car	A self-propelled vehicle, which may or may not convey passengers and/or freight, and operates in conjunction with similar vehicles in a multiple unit consist.
propel	To manage airbrake operation of moving rail traffic from a cab that is not in the lead vehicle of a train.
Qualified worker	A worker certified as competent to carry out the relevant task.
Rail Infrastructure Corporation (RIC)	The owner and maintainer of the Network.
rake of vehicles	A number of vehicles that are kept together in a fixed train consist
road/rail vehicle	Pneumatically tyred road vehicles fitted with attachments that permit operation on rail, which can be readily transferred from one mode to another without additional facilities. Sometimes referred as Hi-rail vehicles.
Rova Mech	See TOC Waiver
ruling grade	The maximum grade on a section of track used to determine the motive power required for a train and the load that can be hauled a vehicle on that section of track.
run around	Locomotive movement where the locomotive is moved from one end of at train to the other end of the train to enable the train to change direction of travel.
scaled wheel	A build up of metallic material on a wheel tread's surface, generally as a result of overheating from sticking brakes or dragging brakes causing wheels to slide on the rail.
single self-propelled vehicle	A rail vehicle that can operate under its own power without being coupled to another vehicle.
skidded wheels	Flat areas on the wheel tread, caused when wheels "lock up" under braking or seized axles and the wheels slide or skid on the rail.
tail lights	Red lights used as end-of-train markers.
thermal cracks	Cracks in the running surface and adjacent areas of a wheel, caused by thermal effect of heating and cooling resulting from on-tread friction braking.

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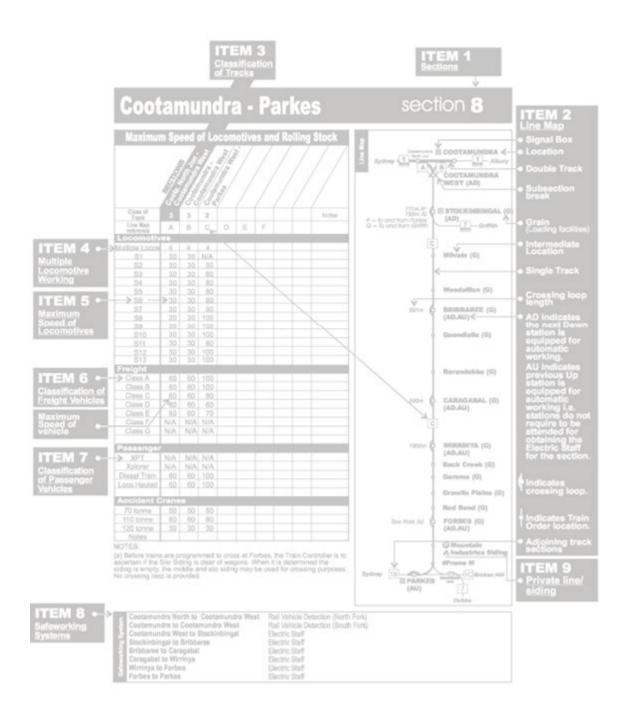
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tonnage signal	A signal at the foot of a steeply rising grade, fitted with a sign that directs Drivers of prescribed trains.
track	The combination of rails, rail connectors, sleepers, ballast, points and crossings.
track circuit	An electric circuit 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 equipment and indicators.
track circuit shorting clip	A cable which can be clamped to a line's rails to activate track-circuits.
trackside monitoring equipment	Devices that monitor and respond to track, trackside and rail vehicle condition.
track speed	The allowable maximum train speed for a portion of track.
track maintenance vehicle	See track vehicle.
track vehicle	A vehicle, usually self-propelled, used mainly for inspecting and maintaining track and infrastructure.
track vehicle operator	A Qualified Worker controlling the movement of a track vehicle.
train	A locomotive or self-propelled vehicle, alone or coupled to one or more vehicles.
train consist	A group of vehicle coupled together to form a train.
train (identification) number	A train or run number used to provide unique identification of a train. Refer to TOC General Instruction Pages, Section 7 Train Numbering
trolleys	Small rail vehicles that can be operated on rail and are moved manually.
vehicle	Any item of rolling stock that can operate on rail.
wheel scale	A build up of metallic material on a wheel tread's surface.
whistle	A device such as a horn, whistle, bell, siren or hooter fitted to a train or track maintenance vehicle to give audible warning.
WOLO	Speed restrictions applied during hot weather.
work out of service	To work to a suitable yard, service depot, siding or location where rolling stock can leave the running line for repair or replacement of vehicle equipment.

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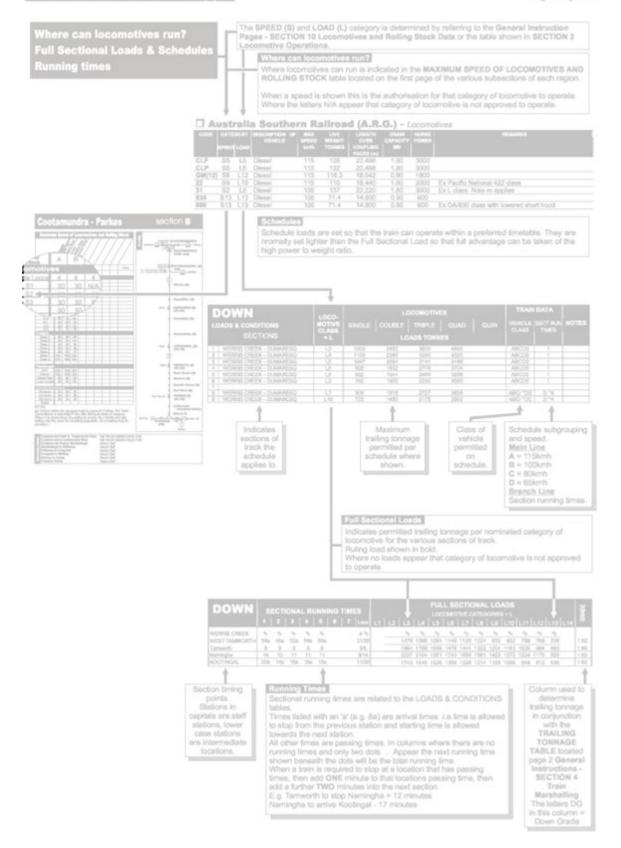
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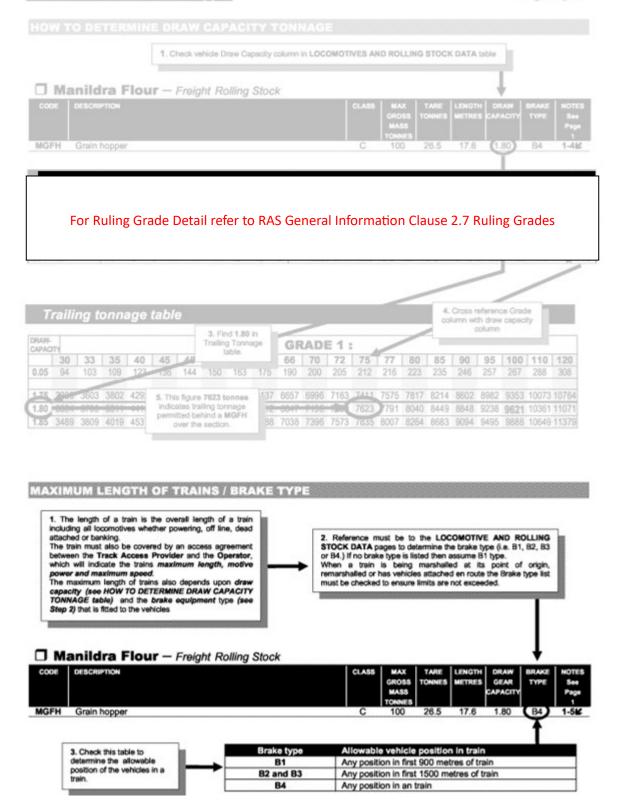


SAMPLE PAGE WESTERN SECTION 8

ITEM 1	SECTIONS	 The Southern, Western, Northern and Illiawarra regions are divided into various sections. Refer to SECTION LOCATION MAP for various sections.
		 Each section provides the condition for operation of rolling stock.
ITEM 2	LINE MAP	See list page 1 for details.
ITEM 3	CLASSIFICATION OF TRACK	 The class of track will affect the speed and types of locomotives and rolling stock authorised to run over the various sections.
ITEM 4	MULTIPLE LOCOMOTIVE WORKING	 The columns associated with locomotives headed "MULTIPLE LOCOS' shows the maximum number of locomotives powering that may run coupled on each relevant section of track.
		 Up to a maximum of 5 locomotives total can be marshalled at the front of a train However, the number of locomotives that can be powering at any given time is Indicated in the multiple working section on the respective MAXIMUM SPEED OF LOCOMOTIVES AND ROLLING STOCK page.
ITEM 5	MAXIMUM SPEED OF LOCOMOTIVES	 Identifies locomotive speed categories and maximum speeds approved for the section of track.
		 The letters N/A indicate these vehicles are not permitted to run over this section of track.
	Operation of unlisted locomotives	 Refer to Track Access Provider for authorisation.
ITEM 6	CLASSIFICATION OF FREIGHT VEHICLES	 Identifies freight vehicle class and maximum speeds approved for that section of track.
		 The letters N/A indicate these vehicles are not permitted to run over this section of track.
	Operation of unlisted freight vehicles	 Refer to Track Access Provider for authorisation.
ITEM 7	CLASSIFICATION OF PASSENGER VEHICLES	 Identifies passenger vehicles and maximum speeds approved for that section of track.
		 The letters N/A indicate these vehicles are not permitted to run over this section of track.
		The grouping Diesel Train includes self propelled diesel trains and Rail Motors.
	Operation of unlisted passenger rolling stock	 Refer to Track Access Provider for authorisation.
ITEM 8	SAFEWORKING	This section indicates the safeworking system and the area controlled by that system.
	SYSTEMS	 When words "Yard Working' appear, the nominated section of track will be worked in accordance with the instructions contained in NTR 418 – Yard Limits.
ITEM 9	PRIVATE LINE/SIDING	 A Private (Non RIC owned) Line/Siding represented in the Section Pages(Line Map by "P" is one that is not owned or operated by the Track Access Provider and therefore will not necessarily have operating conditions published in this Manual.
		 Where this Manual contains information relating to the operating conditions for a private Line/siding, that information is published with the agreement or at the request of the owner/operator of that Line/siding.
		 For the purpose of train control, to and from a private Line/siding, the operator is accurring a train path on the Access Network, has certified that there is an interface understanding/agreement between the operator and the owner/operator of the private Line/siding, which authorises the train/vehicles to operate within the confines of the private Line/siding.
		In providing an agreed train path in accordance with the operations protocol, Track Access Provider has certified that the operator's train will be accepted from o delivered to the boundary of the private Line/siding nominated in the operator's train path application.

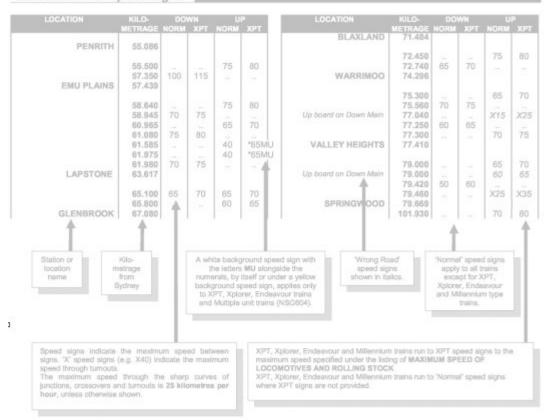
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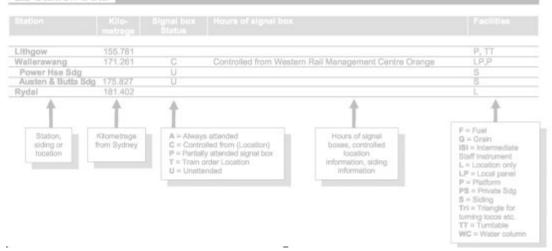
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Location of Speed signs



FORMAT OF STATION DATA TABLE

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MULTI LISTING OF ROLLING STOCK (Section 10 – General Instructions)

