

SAFE Notice 2018 016

Permanent

UNRELIABLE TRACK CIRCUIT OPERATION

From Sunday, 18 November 2018 until Friday, 17 May 2019, this Permanent Safe Notice cancels and replaces Permanent Safe Notice 007 – 2018 due to expiry.

In addition to the requirements detailed in NGE 220 Unreliable track-circuit operation, the following requirements will apply:

OUTSIDE THE AREA BOUNDED BY WATERFALL, EMU PLAINS AND BEROWRA

Track-circuits that have not been travelled over by rail traffic for 12 hours or where track has been closed due to a significant weather event, the track-circuits must be treated as unreliable for operation by all Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) and Single Diesel Unit (SDU) trains (including Xplorer cars, Endeavour cars, CPH Railmotors, 620/720/900 class diesel rail cars and Hunter Rail cars HM, HMT) (excludes XPT power cars/trains).

DMUs and SDUs travelling over the affected portion of track must be worked under block working conditions in accordance with NSY 512 Manual block working until the affected portion of track has been certified by a Signalling Maintenance Representative.

Note: In accordance with the instructions in the Train Operating Conditions Manual (TOC), Mechanised Track Patrol Vehicles (MTPV1 and MTPV2) are exempt from this requirement.

TYPE F AUTOMATIC LEVEL CROSSINGS

Where there are Type F automatic pedestrian or road level crossings in the affected portion of track, the drivers of the DMU or SDU trains must be issued with a CAN warning advising drivers to treat the level crossings as potentially faulty and act in accordance with NGE 218 Type F level crossing management, until the affected tracks are certified by a signal maintenance representative.

DRIVERS

Drivers must:

- Stop short of the level crossing to check whether the level crossing equipment is operating correctly, and as soon as possible report the condition of the Warning Equipment to the Network Control Officer, and
- If Warning Equipment is operating correctly, proceed
- If Warning Equipment is NOT operating correctly, treat the level crossing as faulty.

SYDNEY, 7 NOVEMBER 2018

DIRECTOR SAFETY AND STANDARDS SYDNEY TRAINS

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