

# SAFE Notice 2024

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## LINDFIELD - CENTRAL - TURRELLA - ILLAWARRA JUNCTION - ERSKINEVILLE JUNCTION - ASHFIELD - LIDCOMBE - SEFTON PARK JUNCTION - LEIGHTONFIELD - BANKSTOWN - CAMPSIE - MEEKS ROAD JUNCTION - SYDENHAM - HURSTVILLE - SUTHERLAND

From Saturday, 21 September 2024 until Monday, 21 October 2024

In conjunction with Special Train Notice No. 1697 - 2024 the following Safeworking arrangements will apply:

In accordance with the Bankstown line possession works advertised in Weekly Notices 37, 38, 39 and 40 - 2024, the following additional safeworking instructions are to be read in conjunction with the applicable track possessions detailed in STN 1697 – 2024.

### BANKSTOWN INTERLOCKING UPGRADE

In conjunction with the interlocking upgrade works occurring to the Bankstown interlocking the following additional safeworking arrangements will apply:

- Effective communications MUST be provided for the Signaller at all times
- An Infrastructure Booking Authority form (IBA) must be compiled at the commencement of the work in accordance with NWT 312
- While the upgrade work is being undertaken, rail traffic movements past Yard Limit signs and Controlled Signals within Bankstown Yard Limits must be made with the agreement of the signaller and made in accordance with the relevant Network Rules and Procedures.
- The Signaller and PPO must confer and come to a clear understanding for all movements in the affected portion of line while the interlocking upgrade work is being undertaken
- Sufficient Qualified Workers must be provided to manually operate and clip and lock points as required for the movement of all work trains and track vehicles within the affected portion of line during this time.

### POSSESSION PROTECTION AT BANKSTOWN

If required, an authorised Signal Engineering Employee must book out of use and place at STOP Signal number SM 332 in accordance with the relevant Track Possession/s advertised in STN 1697 - 2024.

Possession protection MUST be provided adjacent to Signal Number SM 332 during this time.

**Note:** When Signal number SM 332 is not the LPA limit, this instruction does not apply.

## USE OF UNCOMMISSIONED POINTS - BANKSTOWN

### (358 & 359 points)

- A Protection Officer must be onsite to coordinate the movement
- A Qualified Worker in possession of an XL key must be provided
- Engineering Representatives together with sufficient Qualified Workers must also be provided to certify the points and manually operate the uncommissioned points as required.

#### The Protection Officer will be responsible for the following:

- Coming to a clear understanding with the PPO about the planned movement
- Ensuring that an Engineering Representative has compiled an Infrastructure Booking Authority certifying that the points are fit for the movement
- Ensuring that the points are set and secured in the correct position for the movement
- In conjunction with the Signaller, authorising the work train or track vehicle to proceed
- Ensuring that after the work train or track vehicle movement, the points are restored to the required position and re-clipped, locked and spiked
- Advising the Signaller and PPO after the movement has been completed and the secured position of the points
- Ensuring that the Engineering Representative has compiled an Infrastructure Booking Authority booking the points out of use.

## ADDITIONAL SAFEWORKING ARRANGEMENTS – MEEKS ROAD

### UP NORTH FORK

**In exception to NWT 302, a worksite with associated rail traffic may be established on the Up North Fork at Meeks Road within 500m of the LPA limit in accordance with the site safety plan and the following:**

**Prior to a worksite being established the following additional protection must be provided for the duration of the work:**

- A Temporary Friction Buffer Stop must be fixed to the Up North Fork at approximately **5.772km**.
- In exception to NPR 709, additional Railway Track Signals (RTS) must be placed 10m apart on the worksite side of the Temporary Friction Buffer Stop at approximately **.5.771km, 5.761km & 5.751km**.
- An additional Worksite Protection Marker must be placed on the Up North Fork at approximately **5.751km**.

**Note:** When it is necessary for a work train, track vehicle or plant to enter or depart the possession, it will be permissible for the Temporary Friction Buffer Stop and additional protection to be removed to allow the movement. Immediately after the work train, track vehicle or plant has entered or departed the possession area, the Temporary Friction Buffer Stop and additional protection must be replaced.

## POSSESSION PROTECTION AT MEEKS ROAD JUNCTION

Prior to the commencement of the possession, an authorised Signal Engineering Employee must book out of use and place at STOP Signal number SM 636IL for the duration of the possession.

Possession protection MUST be provided adjacent to Signal Number SM 636IL.

**USE OF UNCOMMISSIONED POINTS - SYDENHAM**

**(800, 801 & 802 points)**

- A Protection Officer must be onsite to coordinate the movement
- A Qualified Worker in possession of an XL key must be provided
- Engineering Representatives together with sufficient Qualified Workers must also be provided to certify the points and manually operate the uncommissioned points as required.

**The Protection Officer will be responsible for the following:**

- Coming to a clear understanding with the PPO about the planned movement
- Ensuring that an Engineering Representative has compiled an Infrastructure Booking Authority certifying that the points are fit for the movement
- Ensuring that the points are set and secured in the correct position for the movement
- In conjunction with the Signaller, authorising the work train or track vehicle to proceed
- Ensuring that after the work train or track vehicle movement, the points are restored to the required position and re-clipped, locked and spiked
- Advising the Signaller and PPO after the movement has been completed and the secured position of the points
- Ensuring that the Engineering Representative has compiled an Infrastructure Booking Authority booking the points out of use.

**SYDNEY, 04 SEPTEMBER 2024      DIRECTOR NETWORK STANDARDS, SYSTEMS & QUALITY SYDNEY TRAINS**

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