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PUBLICATION DEADLINES AND SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES

Dates of the next four Weekly Notices and deadlines for articles are:

Weekly Notice	For Week	Deadline
5	29/1/18–4/2/18	2/1/18
6	5/2/18–11/2/18	9/1/18
7	12/2/18–18/2/18	16/1/18
8	19/2/18–25/2/18	23/1/18

So that printing and distributing schedules can be met, it is essential articles are received by the deadline.

Late articles will be published in the next issue of the Weekly Notice. This may result in information not being distributed in time for it to be acted upon.

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TRAIN EXAMINATIONS – EXTRA PRECAUTIONS DURING THE WOLO RISK PERIOD (OCTOBER TO MARCH)

ATTENTION: All train examiners

Rollingstock can contribute to track buckles.

Between October to March each year, higher temperatures increase the risk of track buckles on welded track due to expansion of the rails.

Rollingstock with poorly tracking or hunting bogies can apply additional lateral force to the rails that disturb the track structure under these conditions. This can contribute to track buckling under a train or after the passage of a train.

Train examinations: Passenger and freight trains

To reduce the track buckling forces from rollingstock, the following components should be inspected more closely during the WOLO risk period:

Constant contact side bearers (where fitted)

Check for wear of non-metallic components, and that the side bearers are seating correctly with no gap (see Figure 2). This applies mainly to freight, but also applies to passenger rollingstock such as NHA bogies under XPT and J type bogies under S, K and C sets.

Friction wedges

Check for excessive wedge rise, condemn notch thickness, and wear plate condition.

Wheel profiles

Check for excessive flange wear and arises.

Overloading or unbalanced loading

Check For spring deflection, obviously incorrect loading of wagon including over decks of multipack wagons.

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Evidence of hunting

Tell-tale signs of hunting are any of the following:

- fresh bolster gib wear (see Figure 1)
- wear between the side of the friction wedge and bolster pocket (see Figure 1)
- fresh wear between the axle box or the bearing adaptor and bogie side frame
- melting of plastic elements in the constant contact side bearers due to friction heating (see Figure 3).

Freight wagons with the following hunting defects should be marked off, or reduced to 50km/h maximum speed, when a WOLO has been declared.

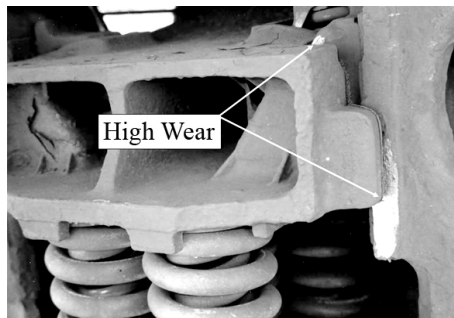


Figure 1: High gib/side frame wear and friction wedge lateral wear

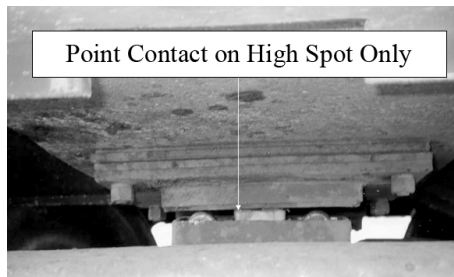


Figure 2: Constant contact side bearer with point contact

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Figure 3: Constant contact side bearers with melted plastic blocks

What to do if defects are detected or reported

Defects are usually identified via passenger complaints (for passenger trains), and drivers and wayside staff reports and observations, including roll-by inspections (for freight trains).

Any passenger vehicle, freight train or locomotive should undergo corrective action if suspected of hunting.

Freight vehicles showing any of the above defects should be marked off, or operate at reduced speed until corrective action is taken.

The reduced speed shall be the maximum permitted track speed not exceeding 50km/h when a WOLO has been declared.

The reduced speed when a WOLO has been declared is published in the Train Operating Conditions Manual General Instruction Pages, Section 3 Page 5.

Note: These items form part of the normal train examination procedures, but are especially important at this time of year when track buckles are a greater risk. Please refer to your examiners manuals for the inspection procedure and limits for these components and, if you have any questions, speak with your supervisor.

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TRACK DISTURBANCE BETWEEN OCTOBER AND MARCH

ATTENTION: All engineering and construction staff who work on or about the track

Disturbance of the track during the period October to March can cause track misalignments (track buckles).

Be aware of:

- Bumping of the track (e.g bumping the track with a front-end loader).
- Knocking down or removing ballast profile (e.g running along the ballast shoulder in a truck).
- Undermining the ballast profile by excavation (e.g excavating a trench beside or under the track).

Report all track disturbances

If the track is disturbed, report it immediately to local track staff.

Planned work to be advised to email address PermissionToDisturb@transport.nsw.gov.au

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UNANDERRA (ILLAWARRA) – REMOVAL OF KEMBLA GRANGE GROUND FRAME F AND RELEASING SWITCH F

Since **Monday, 8 January 2018**, the following work was carried out:

- Releasing Switch F & the Ground Frame F to Wongawilli Branch line and associated trackside equipment was removed.
- The panels at Wollongong, Unanderra & Dapto Control Desk and indication panels were altered accordingly.

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YENNORA – SPEED SIGN CHANGES

Commencing at 22:00 hours on **Sunday, 4th February 2018**, the following work will be carried out at Yennora.

	KLMS	DOWN			UP		
		GENERAL	MEDIUM	HIGH	GENERAL	MEDIUM	HIGH
Existing	27.103	90	100	100			
Existing	27.438	Yennora					
Existing	28.142	40 x					
Existing	28.355				40 x		
Existing	28.997	Fairfield					
Remove	29.208				80	100	100
Existing	30.695	75	90	90			
Existing	30.979	Canley Vale					
Existing	31.399				80	90	90

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YENNORA (WEST) – RELOCATION OF S17.2 SIGNAL

Commencing at 0200 hours on **Saturday 3rd February 2018**, and continuing until 2200 hours on Sunday 4th February 2018, the following work will be carried out:

- Automatic Signal S17.2 and Trainstop on the Up Main will be relocated 104m towards Sydney side of the existing position.

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STATUS OF TOM NOTICES

Number	Title	Issued	Effective
001–2007	Introduction of TOM Notices	13/09/07	13/09/07
018–2007	Emergency equipment boxes RailCorp train fleet	1/11/07	19/11/07
008–2009	OMET 264: Minimum tractive effort requirements	1/10/09	11/10/09
001–2012	OMET 266: Operation of Y–Set Trains	2/2/12	12/2/12
010–2012	48 Class: Train Operations Manual (TOM)	25/10/12	4/11/12
003–2013	48 Class: Wheels	7/2/13	10/2/13
015–2013	OMET 200: Minimum Standards for Electric Trains	30/5/13	9/6/13
002–2014	OMET 220: Wheelslip light indications	20/2/14	2/3/14
005–2014	Operation of T-Set (Tangara) Trains fitted with ATP equipment	3/4/14	14/4/14
004–2016	OMET 262: Failure of Train Management System	14/7/16	24/7/16
001–2017	Incorporation of Waratah, Oscar & Millenium TOM Notices & Safe Notices into the TOM manula	19/1/2017	29/1/17
003–2017	Exception to TWP 100	19/1/17	29/1/17
007–2017	WAR 208 Main Power Faults	30/3/17	9/4/17
005–2017	TWP 150: Damaged or Missing Window Glass	6/4/17	16/4/17
009–2017	Operation of H-set (OSCAR) trains fitted with ATP	25/5/17	4/6/17
008–2017	TWP 176: Wayside Train Condition Monitoring	6/7/17	16/7/17
004–2017	TWP174 ICE Radio	20/7/17	31/7/17
015–2017	Train crew relieved in se rvic e & relay driver	8/11/17	19/11/17
014–2017	Millenium trains fitted with ATP	23/11/17	3/12/17
016–2017	WAR 030 Minimum Standards	23/11/17	3/12/17

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STATUS OF PERMANENT SAFE NOTICES

Number	Title	Issued	Effective
015-2017	Management of work on track at Interface	6/7/17	16/7/17
017-2017	Trail of Signal Key Switches	23/8/17	3/9/17
018-2017	Trail of Worksite delineation markers	23/8/17	3/9/17
019-2017	Unreliable track circuit operation	9/11/17	23/11/17
020_2017	Shared corridor protocols MFFN & SSFL	3/12/17	13/12/17

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Network Rules	RailSafe Website	Online documents
Network Procedures	RailSafe Website	Online documents
Network Forms (Units)	RailSafe Website	Online documents
Network Local Appendices	RailSafe Website	Online documents
Operator Specific Procedures	RailSafe Website	Online documents

The Network Rules, Network Procedures and Network Forms (Units) have changed and are available as a digital-only publication.

Network Forms will continue to be available as printed pads or workbooks and you can order these through your Distribution Officer online through the RailSafe website.

STATUS OF TRAIN WORKING PROCEDURES

Title	Version	Date issued
TWP 100 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 102	3	May 2012
TWP 106	3	May 2012
TWP 108	4	May 2012
TWP 110	3	May 2012
TWP 112	3	May 2012
TWP 114 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 116	3	May 2012
TWP 118 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 120	3	May 2012
TWP 122	3	May 2012
TWP 124	3	May 2012
TWP 126	3	May 2012
TWP 128	3	May 2012
TWP 130	3	May 2012
TWP 132	3	May 2012
TWP 134	3	May 2012
TWP 136 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 138 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 142	3	May 2012
TWP 144	5	May 2012
TWP 146	3	May 2012
TWP 148	3	May 2012
TWP 150 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 152 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 154	3	May 2012
TWP 156 (New)	6	November 2015
TWP 158	3	May 2012
TWP 160 (New)	4	November 2015
TWP 162	3	May 2012
TWP 164	4	May 2012
TWP 166	3	May 2012
TWP 168	3	May 2012
TWP 170	3	May 2012
TWP 172	4	May 2012
TWP 174 (New)	2	November 2015
TWP 176 (New)	1	November 2015
TWP 182 (New)	1	November 2015
TWP 184 (New)	1	November 2015
TWP 188 (New)	1	November 2015

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