

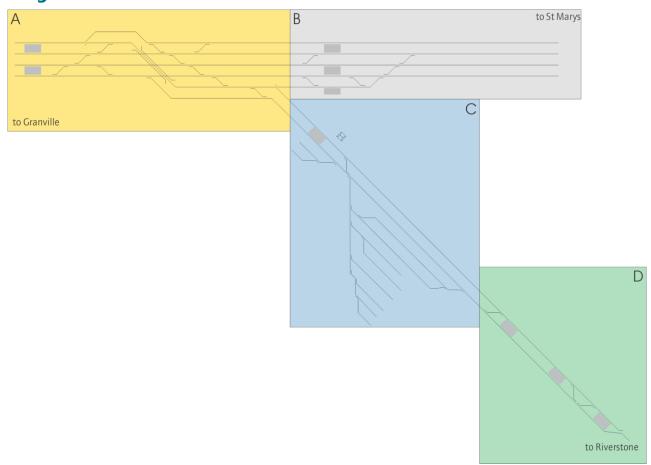
## **Blacktown**

#### Location

#### This unit includes:

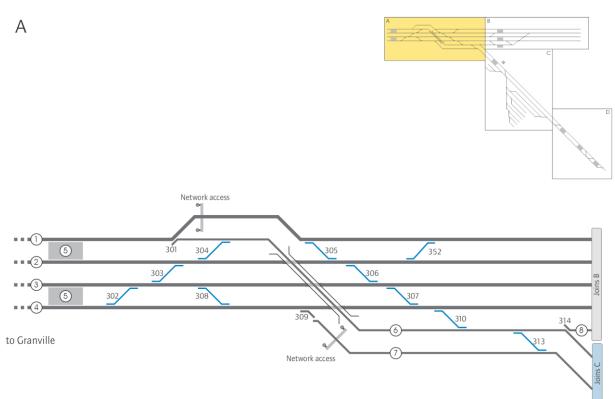
- Seven Hills at 31.985km
- Blacktown at 34.821km
- Marayong at 37.406km
- Quakers Hill at 39.885km
- Schofields at 42.850km.

## **Diagrams**





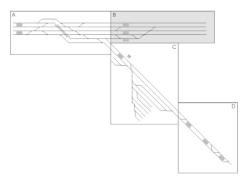
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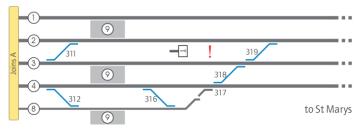
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1.	Down Main line	4.	Up Main line	7.	Up Blacktown–Richmond line
2.	Down Suburban line	5.	Seven Hills	8.	Up Loop line
3.	Up Suburban line	6.	Down Blacktown–Richmond line		

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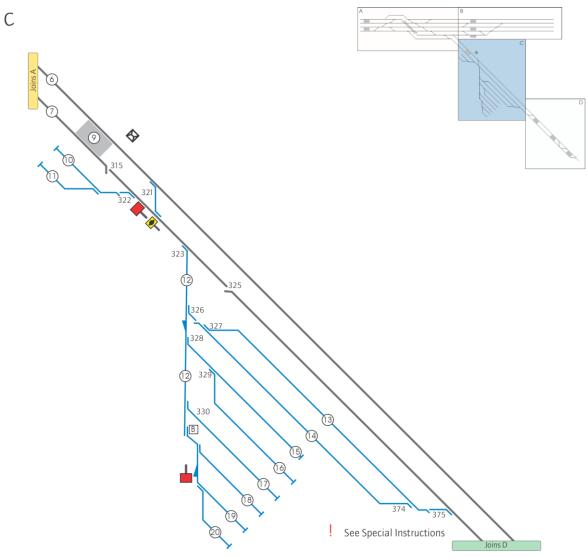


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1.	Down Main line	3.	Up Suburban line	8.	Up Loop line
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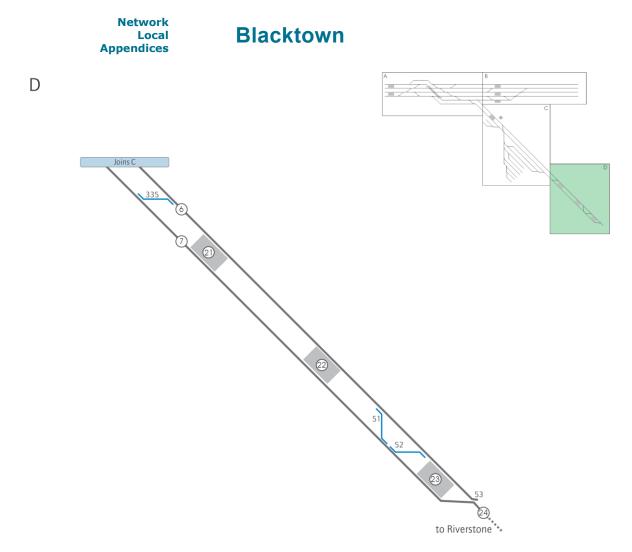


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6. 7.	Down Blacktown–Richmond line Up Blacktown–Richmond line		No 1 Electric Car siding 710m (clear of No. 327 to No. 375) No 2 Electric Car siding 702m	17.	No 5 Electric Car siding 170m (clear of No. 330 to terminations)
9. 10.	Blacktown No 1 Goods siding 172m		(clear of No. 326 to No. 374) No 3 Electric Car siding 198m	18.	No 6 Electric Car siding 170m (clear of B frame to Terminations)
11. 12.	No 2 Goods siding 172m Arrival Road (clear of No. 323	16	(clear of No. 328 to Terminations) No 4 Electric Car siding 170m	19.	No 1 RSA siding 58m (clear of B frame to Terminations)
	to clear of B Frame)	10.	(clear of No. 329 to Terminations)	20.	No 2 RSA siding 53m (clear of B frame to Terminations)



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	9.	Down Blacktown–Richmond line	21.	Marayong	23.	Schofields
	10.	Up Blacktown–Richmond line	22.	Quakers Hill	24.	Blacktown–Richmond line

#### **Blacktown**

#### **Network Control**

Signaller at Homebush Control Centre.

#### **Yard Limits**

Down Main line	YL 31.543km Down signal BN1M
	EYL 35.820km Down signal M22.3
Up Main line	<b>EYL</b> 31.602km Up signal M19.6
	YL 36.640km Up signal BN104M
Down Suburban line	YL 31.543km Down signal BN3S
	EYL 36.620km Down signal S22.7
Up Suburban line	<b>EYL</b> 31.602km Up signal S19.6
	YL 36.640km Up signal BN102S
Blacktown–Richmond line	EYL / YL 44.010km Up signal SS16

#### **Location details**



Interlocked points without groundframes are operated from Blacktown.

- 31.985km Seven Hills. Platforms 1 and 2, 3 and 4
- 34.821km Blacktown. Platforms 1 and 2, 3, 4 and 5, 6 and 7
- ☐ 34.874km Signal box
- 35.100km Up electric train STOP sign on No 1 Goods siding
- No 6 Electric Car siding to RIC sidings: key from releasing switch B, released from the signal box
- 35.370km Down electric train STOP sign on No 1 RIC siding
- 37.406km Marayong. Platform 1 and 2
- 39.885km Quakers Hill. Platform 1 and 2
- 42.850km Schofields. Platform 1 and 2

#### **Blacktown**

#### **Level crossings**

- 32.809km Network access on the Down Main line
- 32.926km Network access on the Up Blacktown–Richmond line

#### **Special instructions**

#### **Timing marker sign**

A timing marker sign with a yellow reflective letter T displayed on a black background is provided where the timing section is unusually short.

It is located as follows:

Line	Marker location
Down Suburban line	175 metres in approach to signal No. BN91S

This indicates the commencement of the timing point to release the points ahead:

Point number	Line			
319	Up Suburban to Down Suburban			

#### **Crossing trains at Schofields**

Two trains with trip valves may approach the platforms at the same time.

If a Down train without trip valves arrives first, it must stand at the platform for 1 minute before an Up train can cross.

# Two Way running between Quakers Hill and Schofields Direction Override facility

Direction Override facility is provided on Blacktown ATRICS panel.

Operating the Direction Override facility will allow the signals to be cleared for a rail traffic movement in the opposite direction when:

- a track-circuit failure has occurred, or
- a block is occupied by rail traffic and it is necessary for an assisting train to enter in the opposite direction.

After a 10 minute time-out, the direction set by the original route will be cancelled, and a new route for the opposite direction may then be set.



#### **Blacktown**

## Authorising a train to return to the entry end of the automatic signal area

#### **Signaller and Network Controller**

Before a route can be set to authorise a change in the direction of movement between Quakers Hill and Schofields, the Signaller and Network Controller must ensure that:

- the line between the protecting controlled signal and the location of the last train to enter the automatic signal area is clear of rail traffic, and
- Drivers of trains within the automatic signal area have been told about the proposed movement, and
- the Driver of the last train to enter the automatic signal area has been told to change ends.

#### Signaller

When told by the Network Controller that a change of direction movement can be made, the Signaller must set the route for the train to return to the entry end of the automatic signal area.

#### **Driver**

When instructed by the Signaller that the train is to return to the entry end of the automatic signal area, after changing ends the Driver must:

- proceed only if they can see a PROCEED indication on the next signal in the direction of the proposed movement, and
- obey all signal indications.



#### **WARNING**

If, after changing ends, the Driver cannot see the indication on the next signal in the direction of travel, the movement must be made in accordance with NTR 418 Yard Working.

#### Assisting disabled rail traffic

If a train is to assist a disabled train:

- the disabled train must be restrained using a CAN form (NRF 004), and
- if possible, the Signaller must set the route for the assisting train to enter the automatic signal area.

If any signals in the route cannot be cleared, these signals must be passed at STOP in accordance with NSG 608.

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#### Track failure

Before a route can be set to authorise a change of direction movement due to a track failure within the automatic signal area, the procedure below must be followed:

#### **Signaller and Network Controller**

 Make sure that the line between the protecting controlled signals at each end of the automatic signal area is clear of rail traffic.

#### Signaller

- Operate the Direction Override button.
- Set the route for the opposite direction.

#### Schofields junction automatic override facility

This feature is currently not available.

#### **Related documents**

NLA 200 Lidcombe-Penrith
NLA 222 Blacktown-Richmond

#### **Effective date**

15 April 2024