

# NPR 724 Using clearance locations

## Description

This document describes the procedure for using clearance locations.

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## Introduction

Clearance Handsignallers at clearance locations report the passage of rail traffic to Signallers, Protection Officers or Handsignallers at block posts.

## Establishing a clearance location

### Signaller or Protection Officer

- 1 Tell a clearance Handsignaller to establish the clearance location.

### Clearance Handsignaller

- 2 Go to the specified location.
- 3 Make sure that you:
  - stand in a safe place, and
  - have a clear view of approaching and departing rail traffic, and
  - have effective communication with the Signaller, the Protection Officer or the Handsignaller at an adjoining block post, as required, by telling them that you are in place.

### Signaller, Protection Officer or block post Handsignaller

- 4 Confirm that you have established effective communication with the clearance Handsignaller at the location.

### Clearance Handsignaller and Signaller or Protection Officer

- 5 Record, in permanent form, the time that the clearance location was established.

## Working a clearance location

### Clearance Handsignaller

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- 1 If rail traffic has passed completely beyond the clearance location, record, in permanent form:
  - the identification details of the trains or track vehicles, and
  - the time when they passed the location, and
  - whether they showed tail lights or end-of-train markers.
- 2 Tell the Signaller, Protection Officer or Handsignaller at an adjoining block post, as required:
  - the identification details of the trains or track vehicles, and
  - the time when they passed the location, and
  - whether they showed tail lights or end-of-train markers.

## Removing a clearance location

### Signaller or Protection Officer

- 1 Tell the clearance Handsignaller to remove the clearance location.
- 2 Record, in permanent form, the time that the clearance location was removed.

### Clearance Handsignaller

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## Related Documents

**NPR 721 Spoken and written communication**

**NPR 722 Manual block working**

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