

MIDDLETON RAILWAY TRUST LIMITED

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ACCIDENT REPORTS

CASES OF SERIOUS ACCIDENT should be reported immediately by telephone, by a senior Council member of the Trust, to Major Charles F. Roge, M.B.E., telephone during office hours 01-212-7223; out of office hours Duty Officer's telephone number 01-212-3434. A written report of the accident also should be sent immediately to Major Rose, at the Department of the Environment, 2 Marsham Street, London S.W.1.

The RULES AND DISCIPLINARY SUB-COMMITTEE has three members, Tony Cowling, Joe Lee and Jim Lodge. Their addresses appear above. In cases demanding urgent action - for example, the loss of the single line token, Tony can be contacted by telephone Sheffield (0742 from Leeds) 667121, and Joe tel. no. 630229.

PLEASE KEEP THIS SHEET FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

THE SINGLE LINE TOKEN

Some members will already be aware that the single line token was lost at the beginning of January. A new one was authorised to replace it at the Council Meeting on 21st January, and even if it should be found again the old one no longer conveys any authority to run trains. However, following one or two incidents during the period when there was no token, it seems necessary to remind all members:

that if any train (and that includes Whickham trolleys) is to be moved within any of the token sections, then the relevant portion of the token must be in the possession of the driver of the train at the time. Furthermore, it is the driver's responsibility to ensure both that this rule is complied with, and that when the train returns to Clayton's Yard the token is returned to the hut so that the driver of the next train will know where to find it. If the token cannot be found it is not good enough to make a quick count of the engines in the yard, and if they are all there to run the train without the token, because a token system is only effective in guaranteeing safety if it is followed absolutely, and our continued existence as a railway depends on continued safe operation, which in turn depends on continued strict adherence to the Rule Book. If at any time in the future the new token should be lost, then this must be reported immediately to the Rules and Disciplinary Sub-Committee, and if it is then essential that a train be run this may only be done with the authorisation of two members of that Sub-Committee. (See overleaf for the members' addresses.)

EYES The government has recently brought in some regulations under the Factories Acts (which apply to us as "occasionally employing" members working on the line) concerning the protection of eyes. These impose on us the requirement to provide suitable eye protectors (i.e. approved goggles, face masks or shields), and they impose on all people who are carrying out any of a large number of specified processes the requirement to use these eye protectors - and unless they have special lenses which are certified shatter-proof, ordinary spectacles do not count as suitable protections.

The processes which are likely to apply to us, for which eye protectors are required are:

1. Any welding or oxy-acetylene cutting.
2. Any grinding, or other machining process in which swarf or chips are likely to be thrown off.
3. Any hammering or chiselling operation which is likely to cause bits to fly off - this includes materials like brick, stone and cast iron.

There are some sets of goggles in the workshop half of the hut in Clayton's Yard, and a set will be provided in the tool van for the use of permanent way gangs in the near future.

Please do use them if necessary, and take no risks - once an eye has been injured it is unlikely to ever recover.