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MIDDLETON RAILWAY, LEEDS

Rules and Regulations concerning the working of trains

2nd Revision of Rules, January 1968

The following changes are to become effective immediately.

A. Additional Rules (General operation)

65. If breakage of any part occurs, the broken article (link, shackle, pin, etc.) must be kept in safe custody in a dry place until examined by the Operating Superintendent.
66. Appliances must not be repaired or altered, other than by authorisation of the Operating Superintendent.
67. Appliances having defects which appear to be such as may lead to mishap must not be used.
68. When in doubt consult the Operating Superintendent.

P. Additional Rules (Applicable specifically to Steam Locomotives)

69. On commencing work. Before lighting the fire, the driver must:-
 - (i) See that an adequate supply of fuel and boiler feed water is available.
 - (ii) See that the gauge glass indicates that the water in the boiler is at a safe level, by operating the gauge cocks.
 - (iii) Ensure that the control valves are closed and the reversing gear and/or clutches are in neutral position and that the cylinder cocks and dampers are open.

70. As soon as steam is generated, the water gauge, boiler injectors and/or feed pumps must be tested.
71. Blowing off steam from the boiler safety valve must be avoided, as far as possible, and the rate of firing adjusted to meet anticipated working conditions.
72. Ashes must not be allowed to accumulate up to the inside of the fire-bars or carriers and around the ashpan ring.
73. Drivers must take care NOT to discharge hot water or ashes on or near men working in the vicinity.
74. If the driver has to leave a locomotive whilst it is in steam, he must see that there is an adequate supply of water in the boiler and regulate the fire as necessary to prevent any undue rise in steam pressure during his absence. All control levers must be in the "off" (or "Neutral") position and the brakes applied.
75. ON COMPLETION OF THE DAY'S WORK OR OF A JOB.
The driver must see that the water is at a working level in the gauge and either that the fire is damped down in the correct manner or properly raked out and the ashes slaked. Engine drain cocks must be opened, all controls left in the "off" (or "neutral") position and brakes applied.
76. During periods of severe frost, if there is a risk of damage, boiler or water fittings must be completely drained and a "BOILER EMPTY" notice displayed in a proper position.

C. Rules deleted.

123.)
124.) These rules have now been superseded by rules concerning the operation
125.) of cranes and other lifting appliances (q.v.).

IMPORTANT The attention of all members is particularly drawn to the following rules of the existing Rules and Regulations.

Rule 10 No locomotives or trains of any kind shall exceed a speed limit of 5 miles per hour on the Railway.

Rule 19 No person may drive a locomotive unless he is fully qualified and holds a current driving pass. Driving passes will be issued and renewed from time to time by the Committee.

Rule 106 Members must not appropriate to their own use any property of or in the possession of the Railway, the Society or its customers.

Rule 107 Members must not waste or wantonly destroy stationery, stores or any other property of the Railway, the Society or its customers.

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