

SAFE Notice 2017

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Track Worker Communication Protocols

General

Effective from Friday 3rd November 2017 until further notice, in addition to the existing requirements, Protection Officers when calling the Network Controller to obtain a Track Occupancy Authority (TOA or VTOA), Track Work Authority (TWA) or Controlled Signal Blocking (CSB) must on initial contact with Network Control, specify their physical location by stating:

- Location name and KM , or
- KM and Signal Number.

Examples:

- Yerong Creek 564.832km,
- 565.234km Signal number YC15.

Network Controllers must where possible verify the physical location of the Protection Officers KM location using for example the train control graph, workstation mimic panel/Phoenix display or Network Information Books, and that it is located within the correct Section of track before authorising track workers to access the Rail Corridor.

Worksite Protection Plan

Additionally the location on the Protection Officer and the workgroup must be clearly marked by kilometre location on the Worksite Protection Plan at the time of conducting the briefing (noting that this location will change for moving worksites).

Safeworking Arrangements

SAFE Notice recipients must ensure this SAFE Notice is circulated to and understood by all personnel affected by, or needing to know, its content.

SAFE Notices must be issued to all affected Qualified Workers.

Qualified Workers who receive a SAFE Notice must follow the requirements in the SAFE Notice.

Date 3 November 2017

Approved by General Manager Operations Services Interstate ARTC

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