

Communication/Power Control Transit Operations Procedure

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INTRODUCTION

A Rail Controller's Operations Order must be prepared for **any and all** non-revenue vehicles operating on the Rail system.

NON-REVENUE TRAIN MOVEMENT

- Advise the person requesting the train movement that the train may not leave the terminal without the Rail Controller's authorization.
- Operations Orders must indicate the starting and ending location of the requested train movement.
- Identify the routing(s) the non-revenue personnel wish to take.
- Insure that the desired routing/middle track/interlocking is in service.
- Notify crews of all unscheduled trains of any and all unusual train movements on the Rail System prior to the unscheduled trains' departure from any terminal. This applies to:
 - Test trains
 - Training trains
 - Work trains
 - Transfer of cars
 - Snow plows
 - Sleet trains
 - Charter trains
 - Railborne track maintenance equipment (subject to provisions in SOP 8137, Moving Railborne Track Maintenance Equipment)
 - The Controller(s) in charge of the routes traveled must monitor and note on the Operations Order when a train crosses an interlocking and/or enters a terminal yard, side track or middle track, enters the mainline or uses crossovers.
 - Alerts must be made whenever a non-revenue train enters any of these areas.
- Notify the personnel at the scene of any reroute, turnback operation or single-track movement
 of any unscheduled train that will enter that section of track.

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- Prior to the unscheduled train's arrival at that affected section of track, notify the following personnel early enough for corrective action to be taken, if necessary.
 - Transportation Manager
 - Supervisor (who notifies personnel under his/her jurisdiction)
 - Towerman
 - Switchman

Operation on the Skokie Route

- Authorize only one non-revenue train to operate on the Skokie route during the same period of time.
- If a non-revenue train is operating on the Skokie route and a second non-revenue train wants to enter the Skokie Shops, instruct the 2nd non-revenue train operating on the route to lay up until the other train's move into the shops is complete.

Note: The Route General Manager or Transportation Manager may authorize two non-revenue trains in an emergency.