Chicago Transit Authority Transit Operations Rail Operations

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## Rail Service Bulletin

To: All Concerned

Subject: Stopping or starting train on slippery rails

Activity: Train Operation

Line/Route: Systemwide

Effective: Monday, November 27, 2023 at 0300 hrs.

Operators are reminded to use a lower braking rate than normal to prevent the wheels from sliding and a lower acceleration rate when accelerating to prevent the trains from sliding in slippery conditions.

Rail not recently or used or covered with dew, leaves, water, frost, ice or grease can be slippery. Slick rail results in wheels slipping when accelerating or sliding when braking. The effects of slipping when accelerating and sliding when braking is worsened when operating on an incline or decline.

## The following rules apply:

▶ R3.1 Knowledge of equipment
 ▶ R8.2 Operation on sight equipment
 ▶ R8.9 Safe operation of trains
 ▶ R8.1 Attention to duty
 ▶ R8.16 Operation at curves
 ▶ R8.20 Operation during periods of poor visibility
 ▶ R8.19 Operation during periods of sleet
 ▶ R8.20 Stopping or starting train on slippery rails

Contact your Manager, Controller, Instructor, Yardmaster, or Supervisor with questions regarding the contents of this bulletin.

SAFETY IS PART OF THE JOB

Employees may report hazards anonymously using the CTA Safe Line: 877-411 -4CTA (877-411-4282)

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