

PPLRS13

Assist in the local movement of rail vehicles to meet operational requirements



Overview

This unit is about assisting with the local movement of rail vehicles safely and efficiently in both normal and non-routine situations.

This unit consists of two elements:

1. Plan and assist in the local movement of rail vehicles

This element is about controlling rail vehicles. This involves planning movements, moving rail vehicles, hand signalling and using methods of protection.

2. Respond to non-routine situations

This element is about dealing with non-routine situations which arise in the course of moving rail vehicles to maintain safety and efficiency of the operation.

This unit is for those who work directly and indirectly with passengers and the running of trains. It is particularly appropriate for those who undertake a shunting role.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Plan and assist in the local movement of rail vehicles

- P1 adhere to relevant rules, regulation instructions and safety procedures
- P2 access and analyse all relevant information, making sure that it is accurate
- P3 identify correctly rail vehicles which are to be moved
- P4 check that rail vehicles to be moved have been prepared correctly
- P5 take action promptly, within limits of your own authority where rail vehicles to be moved have not been prepared correctly
- P6 check that points and routes have been set correctly according to the relevant plan
- P7 take prompt action where points and routes have not been set correctly,
- P8 communicate with colleagues clearly and effectively
- P9 correctly respond to signals and signalling procedures within your local working environment
- P10 use warning devices correctly
- P11 control the movement of the rail vehicle(s) safely and correctly
- P12 check that the rail vehicles are moved to the correct location and secured safely and correctly
- P13 complete required documents accurately and process then correctly

You must be able to:

Respond to non-routine situations

- P14 adhere to all safety procedures during non-routine situations to maintain safety of people and the line
- P15 identify correctly non-routine situations within your area of control
- P16 communicate non-routine situations promptly to relevant person(s)
- P17 take actions in non-routine situations that are within the limits of your own authority and give priority to the safety of people
- P18 optimise the planned movement of rail vehicles within operational constraints
- P19 modify the planned movement of rail vehicles where it is necessary and inform the relevant people
- P20 follow procedures when hazardous substances are involved in non-routine situations
- P21 liaise with relevant persons where alternative methods of signalling are used
- P22 record all the actions which you take clearly and accurately and communicate them promptly to the relevant person(s)
- P23 complete required documents accurately and process them correctly

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

Plan and assist in the local movement of rail vehicles

- K1 your organisation's procedures relating to controlling the local movement of rail vehicles
- K2 the relevant information sources and how to access them
- K3 the lines and methods of effective communication within your organisation
- K4 the local methods of working
- K5 the types and use of equipment for moving rail vehicles
- K6 the types of warning devices and their meanings
- K7 the types of signalling equipment and how they are used
- K8 the signalling procedures
- K9 the relevant documentation completion requirements within your organisation

You need to know and understand:

Respond to non-routine situations

- K10 your organisation's procedures relating to non-routine situations
- K11 the warning signs and their meanings
- K12 how to recognise and deal with hazardous substances
- K13 how to recognise and deal with non-routine situations
- K14 the alternative methods of signalling
- K15 the types of emergency equipment and how to use it
- K16 the limits of your own authority
- K17 the lines and methods of effective communication within your organisation
- K18 the local methods of working
- K19 the relevant documentation completion requirements within your organisation

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Additional information

Glossary

Your organisation

This is the company you work for or, if you are self employed, the rules you have set for yourself to ensure that you comply with relevant legal and licensing requirements

Local movements

This is defined as working on the ground within a defined area such as a depot

Non-routine

An unusual or irregular situation

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