

# IHB DAILY OPERATING BULLETIN No. 4-25

0600 CDT Thursday, April 25, 2024

The following e-mail address is available to report safety conditions and concerns: [Safety@ihbrr.com](mailto:Safety@ihbrr.com)

Bulletin Orders In Effect:	S-37		Current Security Alert Level: 1 – HEIGHTENED SECURITY AWARENESS			
Circular Notices In Effect 2024:	No.	1	Through	No.	3	
IHB Timetable:	No. 3 Effective 0600, CDT 3-29-2021					
GENERAL ORDERS IN EFFECT:	102					
S7A – Transportation Safety Rule Of The Day:			1656			
S7C – Maintenance Of Way Safety Rule Of The Day:			64.12.3			
GCOR Operating Rule Of The Week:			5.3 through 5.3.3			

## A. FORM A: TEMPORARY SPEED RESTRICTION(S)

Locations At/Between				
IHB MAIN LINE:	No.1 Track	No.2 Track	No.3 Track	Controlled Siding
At CP 258 Yellow Flags (5.4.2) and Green Flags (5.4.5) will not be displayed per rule.	25 MPH	25 MPH		
Kankakee Line:				
NONE				

## B. FORM B: WORKING LIMITS

IHB MAIN LINE:
<b>Between EAS at CP 113 and WAS at CP 129 From 0700 to 1400 CDT - EIC M-99</b> No.2 Track will be obstructed for maintenance. For westward movements Yellow-Red Flags (5.4.3) and Red Flags (5.4.7) will be displayed per rule. For eastward movements <b>Yellow-Red Flags (5.4.3) will be displayed at WAS BI Jct.</b> and Red Flags (5.4.7) will be displayed per rule. Where Yellow-Red and Red flags are displayed, a man may not clear riding the side of a car. Contact EIC for permission through working limits.
<b>Between 79<sup>th</sup> Street OH Bridge (MP 24.76) and WAS at CP Argo From 0730 to 1630 CDT – EIC M-91</b> No.1 Track, No.2 Track, No.3 Track and Controlled Siding will be obstructed for maintenance. For movements on No. 1 Track and No.2 Track Yellow-Red Flags (5.4.3) and Red Flags (5.4.7) will be displayed per rule. For movements on No.3 Track and Controlled Siding <b>Yellow-Red Flags will not be displayed</b> and Red Flags (5.4.7) will be displayed per rule. Where Yellow-Red and Red flags are displayed, a man may not clear riding the side of a car. Contact EIC for permission through working limits.
KANKAKEE LINE:
NONE

## C. MALFUNCTIONING HIGHWAY/PATHWAY WARNING DEVICES

IHB MAIN LINE:
NONE

**KANKAKEE LINE:****1. AT 165<sup>th</sup> Street (MP 4.53) – AUTOMATIC HIGHWAY WARNING DEVICES OUT OF SERVICE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Automatic highway warning devices out of service at 165<sup>th</sup> Street No. 2 Track **westward movements only**. No flagger will be present to provide on-ground warning. Trains must provide on-ground warning per Rule 6.32.2 B, Procedure 1.

**D. PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS CHANGES****IHB MAIN LINE:****1. Gibson Yard (MP 3.41) – West end of the 21, 22, and 23 Crossover Switches OUT OF SERVICE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:**

The hand operated crossover switches in the middle of the new connection, just west of Indianapolis OH Bridge, are lined and locked in the normal position until further notice.

**2. Shlinger Switch (MP 19.18) - OUT OF SERVICE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:**

The Shlinger switch is out of service until further notice. The switch is lined and locked for New Process Steel.

**3. 71<sup>st</sup> Street (approximately MP 25.77) Landing Pad / Crew Change Pad – OUT OF SERVICE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:**

The landing pad/crew change pad at 71<sup>st</sup> Street is out of service until further notice.

**KANKAKEE LINE:**

NONE

**E. SAFETY ALERTS**

Employees must use extreme caution when walking or working in the locations listed below. Be on the lookout for uneven footing, tripping hazards, material and/or equipment in the area. Work with care to avoid injury and be on the alert for the following:

**GIBSON TERMINAL DISTRICT****CLOSE CLEARANCE:**

- Employees are prohibited from riding equipment on the West Side of MA07 at Michigan Avenue yard due to close clearance with bridge support.
- Employees are prohibited from riding equipment on No. 1 Track, No. 2 Track, No.3, No.4, No.5, No.6, No.7 and No.8 Leads between Columbia Avenue Overhead Bridge and the Calumet Overhead Bridge.
- Employees are prohibited from riding the north side of equipment while traversing through the new radio controlled 21 pocket, 22 pocket, and 23 pocket switches while operating from/to 5 lead at Gibson Auto Yard. Close clearance signs have been placed on the affected switch stands.
- Automatic derails west end of Potash Yard – no riding of equipment
- Switch position indication lights for the radio-controlled switches on Track 22 at Gibson Auto Yard will not clear man on side of car on Track 23.

**WALKING CONDITIONS:**

- NONE

**RAIL LAYING ALONG TRACKS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- Along No.1 Track at CP Gibson
- Along No.1 and No.2 Tracks between CP Columbia and Sohl Street.
- Michigan Ave – Track No.24 on the field side – Along east side of track.

**OTHER:**

- At the east end of Gibson Auto Yard - Use caution when walking in the vicinity of the Indianapolis Blvd. overhead bridge between the No.9 switch and the south side of the bridge abutment – stay outside of the concrete barriers due to reports of falling debris.
- Safety glasses and hearing protection are required in the Round House in all areas, at all times except for the lunchroom.
- A permanent derail has been applied 95' north of Indiana Dock switch on the American Terminal track.

### **BLUE ISLAND TERMINAL DISTRICT**

#### **CLOSE CLEARANCE:**

- East end of Blue Island Class Yard Tracks 21 and 22. Employees are prohibited from riding the side of equipment between the switch points and clearance points between these tracks. Employees must not position themselves between Track 21 and 22 between the switch points and the clearance points when cars are moving on either track between the switch points and the clearance points.
- Do not ride the side of equipment at Durobag.
- Employees are prohibited from riding the side of equipment at Blue Island Yard on Tracks BNY1 and BNY2 in the North Yard west end curve.
- Close clearance conditions at Blue Island Yard at the west end of the Hales Yard between No. 1 and No. 2 tracks. Will not clear a man on side of car or dimensional shipments.

#### **WALKING CONDITIONS:**

- **Uneven footing on 4 Lead/Pocket between Halsted and the Longfield Office building due to tie installation.**
- B.I. West Yard – Track 21 RIP – Concrete has been removed.
- Ties laid out next to Track 1 at Burnham Yard on the south end.
- East Pass-Between Central Ave (MP 19.90) and W.A.S. at CP Ridge, be aware of a pipe sticking out of the ground
- Alsip Lead MP 18.75 – Between the switch and derail, be aware for pipe sticking out of the ground.

#### **RAIL LAYING ALONG TRACKS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- **Rail laying along No.1 and No.2 Tracks between the Old Roundhouse and Ashland.**
- Rail laying along No. 1 and No. 2 Tracks between Ashland Ave. UG BR. (MP 12.93) to MP 13 and MP 18.
- Rail laying along No.1 and No.2 Tracks between MP 14 and BI Jct.
- Rail laying along No.1 and No.2 Tracks between State Line and CP 98

#### **OTHER:**

- Be aware of falling concrete/debris around the Halsted Street OH Bridge.
- Employees are prohibited from using lit fuses while on Arkema's site/property.

### **ARGO/ NORPAUL TERMINAL DISTRICT**

#### **CLOSE CLEARANCE:**

- Do not ride the side of equipment through the Des Plaines River Bridge (MP 27.8).

#### **WALKING CONDITIONS:**

- **Turnout staged next to Inbound/Outbound switch on east end of Argo Yard.**
- Be aware of track material and excavation work between Shawmut and EAS at CP 309 along No.3 main.
- Be aware of tie plates and crosstie piles north of No. 1 Track just West of Resource Management (located between Southwest Highway OH Bridge MP 21.34 and Harlem Ave OH Bridge MP 22.40).
- Be aware of tie plate piles next to No. 1 and No. 2 Track at MP 22.50
- Be aware of uneven footing around the east end of the Argo New Yard along the Working Lead.
- **Be aware of uneven footing due to construction on the landing pad/crew change pad at 71<sup>st</sup> Street (approximately MP 25.77).**
- Proviso Lead at Argo – East side of the track next to North Proviso Lead MP 26.8.

#### **RAIL LAYING ALONG TRACKS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- **Rail laying along No.1 and No.2 Tracks between CP 309 and CP 328.**
- Rail laying along No.1 Track Between CP Ridge and CP 258
- Rail laying along No. 1 and No. 2 Tracks at MP 22.50.

#### **OTHER:**

- The lights have been removed in the New Yard at Argo for the B9 Project. Temporary lights will be implemented until the project is completed.

## F. UPDATES TO DEPARTMENT OPERATING MANUALS

### C.O.R.A. REVISIONS:

BRC:	3-6-2024 2024-001	BNSF:	5-01-2023	CN:	5-01-2023	CP:	5-01-2023	CSXT:	<b>4-01-2024</b>
GCOR:	5-01-2023	METRA:	1-24-2024 2024-001	NS:	4-09-2023 v 8.1	UP:	5-01-2023	IHB:	5-01-2023

### SAFETY

#### **1. 60.10.3 WEARING OBJECT(S) – ADDED 4/19/2024:**

Effective 0600 4/19/2024, new rule 60.10.3 has been added to page 33 of the Engineering Safety Rules & Procedures book. Below is new rule 60.10.3:

#### **60.10.3 Wearing Object(s)**

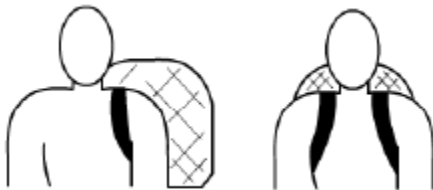
The wearing of backpacks or any object that has the possibility of being caught or snagged by moving equipment, on or about tracks is prohibited while walking on or near track. See examples below:

Permitted Activities:

- Carrying grip(s) when moving to/from equipment and vehicles.
- Carrying grip(s) when moving to/from personal vehicle and on duty yard offices.

Permitted Positioning of grips:

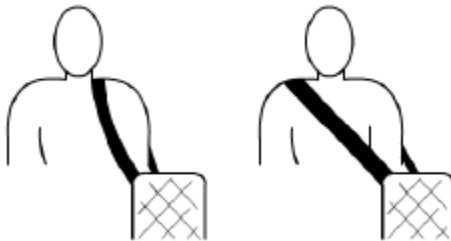
##### 1. "Backpack Type Grips"



YES

NO

##### 2. "Strapped Type Grips"



YES

NO

#### **2. 60.10.2 CROSSING TRACKS – MODIFIED 4/12/2024:**

Effective 0600 4/12/2024, on page 33, Engineering Department employees must strike through ~~"1. Look both ways, then take the shortest route. If you must cross more than one track, stop and look both ways before crossing each track, and write in, "1. Stop, take the shortest route after looking both ways. If multiple tracks are to be crossed, the employee must ensure it is safe to do so."~~

### TIMETABLE

NONE

### OPERATING RULES

NONE

**AIR BRAKE AND EQUIPMENT HANDLING**

NONE
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**HAZMAT**

NONE
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**ERG**

NONE
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**ON-TRACK SAFETY MANUAL**

NONE
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**DISPATCHER'S MANUAL**

NONE
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**G. OTHER INSTRUCTIONS****1. SUBMIT A QUESTION**

As outlined in the 2022 Fourth Quarter IHB Safe Start Newsletter, employees can ask senior corporate leaders business-related questions via the IHB homepage. To submit a question, go to the IHB homepage, click "EMPLOYEES" at the top of the website, and then click the "?" on the right-hand side of the webpage (directly to the left of "SUBMIT A QUESTION"). Below is a link to the webpage:

<http://www.ihbrr.com/questions>

**2. REPORTING CLOSE CLEARANCE CONDITIONS**

If close clearance conditions are discovered, promptly notify Donald Bolster at 219-989-4915. Be prepared with the following information: location (i.e., industry name or yard), track name/number, and details describing the condition. If leaving a message, include your name and a phone number where you can be reached in case it is necessary to ask further questions about the close clearance condition.

**Kiley Hinds, General Superintendent**  
**End of Daily Operating Bulletin 4-25**

## IHB Movement Permit

IHB MOVEMENT PERMIT NUMBER H \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

### Form A

1.	Line	TRK(S)	BETWEEN/AT	Speed		Speed Signs Displayed	
				PSGR	FRT	Yes	No

### Form B

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Track out of service between/at \_\_\_\_\_, EIC \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Track out of service between/at \_\_\_\_\_, EIC \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ line \_\_\_\_\_ Track obstructed for maintenance between/at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ line \_\_\_\_\_ Track obstructed for maintenance between/at \_\_\_\_\_

### Track and Time

4. Operate in \_\_\_\_\_ direction(s) on \_\_\_\_\_ track between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_ track between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ DSPR \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_ track between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ DSPR \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_ track between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ DSPR \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_ track between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ DSPR \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

5. Trains or track cars ahead \_\_\_\_\_

Track car proceed past Stop Signal(s) at \_\_\_\_\_

### Other

6. Protect crossing(s) at \_\_\_\_\_ MP \_\_\_\_\_ Per Rule 6.32.2 B Procedure \_\_\_\_\_

7. Other instructions and/or information: \_\_\_\_\_

Dispatcher: \_\_\_\_\_

Time Effective: \_\_\_\_\_

IHB Movement Permit Canceled at, Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Dispatcher: \_\_\_\_\_