

Notice Type: SAFE Notice

Location: Antiene

Subject Title: Altered Safeworking Arrangements for Hunter Valley Local Possession Authority

Corridor/Line: Hunter Valley

Control Board: Upper Hunter 1

Effective From: 17/10/2024 **Time:** 0730hrs

Effective To: 17/10/2024 **Time:** 1130hrs

Reference Documents:

Train Alteration Advice: 0511-2024

Network Information Book: OGW-30-17

General Details / Operating Condition:

The following altered safeworking protection arrangements will be permitted in conjunction with the Hunter Valley Local Possession Authorities.

To allow for works to occur on the ARTC Network up to and over the Private Line Maintenance Interface Boundary as described in the applicable Safety Interface Agreement listed below, it will be permissible to conduct the works with the following safeworking arrangements.

Safeworking Arrangements:

In exception to the applicable Safety Interface Agreement (IA), a Local Possession Authority will be authorised up to the Maintenance Interface Boundary as detailed below.

In exception to ARTC Network Rule ANWT 302 Local Possession Authority and Procedure ANPR 700 Using a Local Possession Authority, where worksites are located less than 500m from the end limit of the Local Possession Authority (LPA) and the lines are located adjoining Private lines, it will be permissible to work within 500m of the limit of the LPA without a Work on Track Authority adjoining the end limit.

A STOP Sign/Red Light must be placed a minimum of 500m from the worksite on the Private Line with agreement from the Private Line Owner.

Where rail traffic is located within the Private Line and the STOP Sign/Red Light cannot be placed a minimum of 500m from the worksite, a STOP Sign/Red Light must be placed at the controlled absolute signal in front of the rail traffic preventing entry to the worksite.

NOTE: Tracks within the Local Possession Authority must be protected as per ANPR 700 Using a Local Possession Authority.

Before the commencement of works:

Possession Protection Officer

The Possession Protection Officer must gain an assurance from the Private Line Owner:

- that an isolation has not or will be granted on the Private Line for the duration of works.

Protection Officer

The Protection Officer must:

- obtain an assurance from the Private Line Owner that rail traffic located within the Private Line is stabled and will not be moved, and
- obtain an assurance from the Private Siding Owner that an isolation will not be taken on the points entering the private siding for the duration of the works, and
- have agreed protection arrangements with the Private Line Owner for the works to be undertaken safely when working within 500m of the Private Line, and
- tell the Network Controller of the works to occur within 500m of the LPA Limits, and the agreed arrangements with the Private Line Owner, and
- tell the Possession Protection Officer of the agreed arrangements with the Private Line Owner and that rail traffic within the private line is stabled and will not be moved, and
- place a STOP Sign/Red Light a minimum of 500m from the worksite on the Private Line, **or**
- place a STOP Sign/Red Light at the controlled absolute signal in front of the rail traffic.

At the completion of works:

Protection Officer

The Protection Officer must remove the STOP Sign/Red Light, and tell the Private Line Owner, Network Controller and Possession Protection Officer the works are completed, and protection has been removed.

Additional Details:

The nominated Safety Interface Agreement for this SAFE Notice is:

Private Line	Interface Agreement Number
Antiene Branch Line	IA 1628

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

This Notice must be issued to all affected Competent Workers.

Competent Workers who receive this Notice must follow the requirements.

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Approval:

Approved by: Network Operations Specialist, Network Control Centre North

Date: 11/10/2024