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Confirming track is safe for selected line speed after work

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1 Scope

This module applies when inspecting the line in order to:

- a) confirm that engineering work carried out under traffic has been safely completed;
- b) confirm that engineering work carried out with a line blockage has been safely completed;
- c) raise or remove an emergency or temporary speed restriction (ESR or TSR);
- d) raise the permanent line speed (PSR).

This module does not apply when giving up line blockages or removing TSRs that have been imposed solely for the protection of staff.

2 Risk management

Risks arise from

- a) the deterioration of the asset under normal operating conditions;
- b) disturbance to the asset as work is undertaken;
- c) the type and method of work;
- d) the condition of the site at the end of the work.

Consequences are primarily dependent upon the speed of traffic.

Risk is controlled by:

- a) planning appropriate work;
- b) competency of the staff implementing and supervising the work;
- c) mentoring by qualified staff in line management posts;
- d) control of workmanship;
- e) recording work and activities completed;
- f) site examination to confirm the asset is fit for traffic on completion of work by an authorised person;
- g) authorised persons are mentored, assessed and certified by competent line managers;
- h) considering evidence of experience gained by individuals prior to authorising them for higher speeds.