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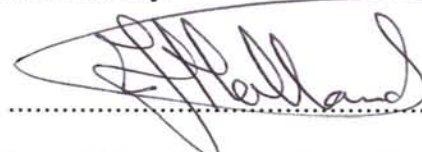
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Issue 4	August 04	Minor Amendment – Revised Extinguisher Fax form
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Issue 6	August 2006	Minor amendments to reflect new Fire Safety Legislation and reduction in the technical content of the document
Issue 7	September 2010	Major amendments to re-align the document with Fire Safety Legislation, further reduce the technical content and to focus on guidance for the day to day management of fire safety. Change to Level 3 Standard

Compliance

This Network Rail standard is mandatory and shall be complied with by Network Rail and its contractors if applicable from 4 December 2010.

When this standard is implemented, it is permissible for all projects that have formally completed GRIP Stage 4 to continue to comply with the Issue of any relevant Network Rail Standards current when GRIP Stage 4 was reached and not to comply with requirements contained herein, unless the designated Standard Owner has stipulated otherwise in the accompanying Briefing Note.

Reference documentation

SI 2005 / 1541	The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety Order) 2005
	The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005
Scot SI 2006:456	Fire Safety (Scotland) Regulations 2006
SI 1989 / 1401	The Fire Precautions (Sub-surface Railway Stations) Regulations 1989 (As amended)
SI 2009 / 782	The Fire Precautions (Sub-surface Railway Stations) (England) Regulations 2009
SI 1996 / 341	The Health and Safety (Safety, Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996
SI 2007 / 307	The Health and Safety (Construction Design and Management) Regulations 2007
SI 2002 / 2776	Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002
BS 5499	Graphical symbols and signs - Safety signs, including fire

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Safety signs.

NR/L1/FIR/100	Fire Safety Policy
NR/L3/FIR/107	Fire Safety – Fire risk assessment
NR/L3/FIR/108	Fire Safety – Fire extinguishers
NR/L3/FIR/109	Fire Safety – Fire log Book

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1 Purpose

This standard sets the minimum standard required to meet the requirements of Fire Safety Policy NR/L1/FIR/100 in the Operational Estate.

2 Scope

This standard applies to all Network Rail employees, or contractors, working in Operational Estate.

The duties and responsibilities contained in this standard relate to those premises, which are essential for the operation of the railway, for example, Signal Boxes, Power Signal Boxes, Integrated Electric Control Centres and Electrical Control Rooms including the outside area between the building and boundary.

NOTE The document also relates to the infrastructure between such premises in so far as risk from fire could affect normal operations

3 Roles and responsibilities

The Route/Area General manager shall appoint a local manager as the Person Responsible for Fire Safety (PRFS) for each operational premises.

For premises solely occupied by Electrical Control Room staff the Current Operations Manager shall appoint a PRFS for those locations.

The PRFS shall be responsible for the day to day management of fire safety.

4 General Fire Precautions

Fire safety legislation requires certain general fire precautions to be undertaken these include:

- a) measures to reduce the risk of fire within the premises and the risk of the spread of fire within the premises;
- b) measures in relation to the means of escape from the premises;
- c) measures for securing that, at all material times, the means of escape can be safely and effectively used;
- d) measures in relation to the means for fighting fires within the premises;
- e) measures in relation to the means for detecting fire within the premises and giving warning in case of fire within the premises; and
- f) measures in relation to the arrangements for action to be taken in the event of fire within the premises, including
 - a) measures relating to the instruction and training of employees
 - b) measures to mitigate the effects of the fire.

4.1 Sub Surface Areas

Operational premises forming part of a sub surface railway station shall be subject to more rigorous controls with respect to fire safety. The Network Rail Fire Safety Engineer shall be consulted with respect to these premises