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Section 4.4 Connection Policy

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National Control Instruction

Controllers shall ensure that, when monitoring the train service, attention is paid to adherence to the respective connection policy in force for the services affected by late running.

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References

Agreed Policies with Train Operating Companies

4.4.1 Connection Policy Statements

The Network Rail Connections Policy consists of statements at three levels, designed to meet the overall contingency objective. Connections published as Level 2 and Level 3 statements are the only agreed connections between trains of the same or different Train Operators.

4.4.2 Level 1 Statement

This states that trains may only be held to effect a connection published in the Great Britain Public Timetable. The length of hold on the connecting service must be no more than necessary to allow connecting passengers to make the connection.

4.4.3 Level 2 Statement

Level 2 statements are published for specified locations and relate to specific groups of services. The statement details the maximum time limit on connecting services.

4.4.4 Level 3 Statement

- 4.4.4.1 A Level 3 statement relates to a specific train by headcode and location, and details the agreed connections with that particular train, and the maximum time limit on any connection.
- 4.4.4.2 Connection Statements at Levels 2 and 3 are published by individual Network Rail Routes and are supplied to Signalling locations, Network Rail Route Controls and Train Operating Companies.
- 4.4.4.3 Train Operators may request to offer connections within the agreed Policy guidelines, where such requests will better meet the overall contingency