

CHAPTER XI

THE PILOT GUARD SYSTEM

11.01. ESSENTIALS OF THE PILOT GUARD SYSTEM - Where trains are worked on the Pilot Guard System –

- (a) a railway servant (hereinafter called a pilot Guard) shall be specially deputed to pilot trains; and
- (b) no train shall leave a station except under the personal authority of the Pilot Guard.

11.02. CONDITIONS TO BE OBSERVED FOR FOLLOWING TRAINS ON THE PILOT GUARD SYSTEM - Trains shall not follow one another in the same direction between stations, unless –

- (a) the Loco Pilot has been properly warned of the time of departure of the preceding train and of the place at which it will next stop;
- (b) all the trains are timed to run at the same speed, and such speed shall not exceed 25 kilometres an hour except under special instructions; and
- (c) an interval of fifteen minutes has elapsed since the departure of the preceding train.

11.03. PILOT GUARD'S DRESS OR BADGE - The pilot Guard shall be distinguished by red dress or badge.

11.04. PILOT GUARD TO ACCOMPANY TRAIN OR GIVE AUTHORITY TO PROCEED –

- (1) No train shall be started from a station unless the Loco Pilot sees that it is accompanied by, or that the authority to proceed is given personally by the Pilot Guard wearing the dress or badge prescribed in Rule 11.03.

- (2) The Pilot Guard shall accompany every train :

“Provided that when it is necessary to start two or more trains from one end of the section before a train has to be started from the other end, the Pilot Guard shall accompany only the last of such trains, and shall personally give the authority to proceed for the preceding trains.”

- (3) When accompanying a train, the Pilot Guard shall ride on the foot-plate of the engine.

11.05. PILOT GUARD'S TICKETS –

- (1) when the Pilot Guard does not accompany a train, he shall deliver to the Guard (or, if there be no Guard, to the Loco Pilot) a Pilot Guard's ticket on a printed form properly filled up and signed in ink, as the authority to proceed.
- (2) Every such ticket shall apply only to the single journey to the station named on it.
- (3) If the train is in charge of a Guard, he shall, before the train is started, deliver the ticket to the Loco Pilot.
- (4) Immediately on the arrival of the train, the Loco Pilot shall deliver the ticket to the Station Master who shall at once cancel it.

11.06. PROTECTION OF TRAINS ON THE PILOT GUARD SYSTEM - In the event of a train, which is followed by another train, stopping on the line between station, the Guard and the Loco Pilot shall take action to protect the train in accordance with the provisions of Rule 10.09.

(This system is not in use on East Central Railway)

