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# Speed Restrictions During Hot Weather

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## Purpose

To prescribe the rules for imposing speed restrictions in the *Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) NSW* Network during hot weather.

## Imposing speed restrictions

### Advice to Network Controller

The Network Controller *must* be notified of hot weather conditions that require speed restrictions to be imposed by:

- a nominated Manager, or
- a Maintenance Representative, or
- automated devices.

### Advice from Network Controller

If the notification is by automated device, the Network Controller must tell the Maintenance Representative.

The Network Controller must arrange for advice about speed restrictions to be given to affected:

- *Rail Traffic Crews*, and
- Network Control Officers, and
- nominated *Operators' Representatives*.

Unless different advice is given, hot weather speed restrictions apply only:

- on the day they are imposed, and
- between 1200hrs and 2000hrs.

## Notifying Rail Traffic Crews

Until Rail Traffic Crews are warned by other means, Network Controllers must arrange for Rail Traffic Crews to be given a written *Condition Affecting the Network* (CAN) warning before *rail traffic* enters an affected portion of track.

The CAN warning must advise Rail Traffic Crews about the:

- defined portion of track, and
- hot weather speed restriction, and
- hours during which the restriction applies.

### Outside the area bounded by Unanderra, Macarthur, and Woodville Junction

Operators must notify *Train Crew* sign-on *locations*.

## Altering and cancelling speed restrictions

Maintenance Representatives must notify the Network Controller if hot weather speed restrictions are:

- altered, or
- no longer required *(cancelled)*.

If hot weather speed restrictions are altered or no longer required (cancelled) before the advertised time, the Network Controller must arrange to tell affected:

- Rail Traffic Crews, and
- Network Control Officers, and
- nominated Operators' Representatives.

## Recording speed restrictions

Network Controllers, Maintenance Representative and Rail Traffic Crews must make a permanent record of the hot weather speed restrictions imposed, altered or cancelled.

## Speed limits

During hot weather speed restrictions, rail traffic must travel no faster:

- than the *advertised* speeds in the Route Access Standards (RAS), or
- as advised by the Maintenance Representative.

***NOTE***

**As hot weather speed restrictions may cover extended areas of track, speed restriction signage is not necessary.**

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