Kent/Sussex/Wessex Routes Sectional Appendix

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Briefing Notes

Re-issue of the Southern Sectional Appendix

The Sectional Appendix covering the Southern Region was last updated in December 2003. This re-issue brings it up to date by capturing all the changes that have been carried in Periodical Operating Notices since that time and re-brands it to reflect the current Route names, Kent, Sussex and Wessex.

This re-issue is also noteworthy because it incorporates a significant amount of work that Network Rail have undertaken since 2004 to remove inconsistencies in the style, layout and structure of all it's Appendices and to align them more fully with the current route delivery structure.

Overview of changes to this Sectional Appendix

Users of Southern appendices in the past will notice some differences between this and previous versions. The most significant of these are in its structure, layout and style.

Structure

The information within the Appendix is now found in five Modules:

Module KSW1	Containing General Instructions, explanation of terms and symbols for the
	Table A diagrams and a list of locations within the Kent, Sussex and
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Wessex Routes.

The former Southern Region Supplement to Section 3, Platform Lengths, can now be found under three separate General Instructions, one for each Route.

Module KSW2 Containing Exceptional Poor Railhead Adhesion tables, Table A

diagrams, Special Working Arrangements, Route Clearance tables and

Local Instructions for the Kent and Sussex Routes.

Module KSW3 Containing Exceptional Poor Railhead Adhesion tables, Table A diagrams, Special Working Arrangements, Route Clearance tables and

Local Instructions for the Wessex Route.

Module KSW4 Containing Signallers Additional Instructions for the Kent, Sussex and

Wessex Routes. This was formerly Section 5 of the Southern Region

Sectional Appendix.

Module KSW5 Containing Network Rail/CTRL Interface Instructions. This was formerly

Sections 9 and 10 of the Southern Region Sectional Appendix.

Layout and style

The text and diagrams within this Appendix have been "re-styled" to give them a standard appearance and to provide clarity to the information they portray. For example:

- o all Table A diagrams now have
 - a "header bar" which clearly identifies the line of route being viewed and the associated Engineers Line Reference
 - "signalling definition boxes" which serve to identify the salient operating data associated with the route on the page being viewed e.g. signalling type and Route Availability
- TPWS is now listed by exception i.e. where lines are not covered by it. The previous convention was to indicate lines that were. This change has been introduced because of the prevalence of TPWS across the Route at this time
- tables and instructions have been generated using standard templates, which has enhanced both their layout and readability
- each table and instruction is date stamped to clearly identify from which date it became
 effective and to allow the user to identify the latest version of it when viewing the Weekly
 Operating Notice or the National Electronic Sectional Appendix

In some areas of the Appendix the changes are quite noticeable but none of them impact upon the integrity or nature of the information within the document. All the information that was in the previous Appendix is in this one (albeit appropriately updated).

A National Electronic Sectional Appendix

To coincide with the re-issue of this Appendix and to take advantage of advances in modern technology Network Rail are to make all of the Appendices available on line during 2006. In so doing a National Electronic Sectional Appendix (NESA) will become available to subscribers.

The NESA web site is accessible from both the Network Rail intranet and the internet. Users may elect to navigate from the Route maps provided or via the Line of Route diagrams. Alternatively they may search using locations, Line of Route codes or by using free text. All standard Sectional Appendix content can be viewed, regardless of Route, including General Instructions, Local Instructions and Route Clearance tables. Recent changes to the Sectional Appendix can also be viewed.

A key feature of the web site is the "Route Builder" facility, which gives users the ability to create reports tailored for any route they choose. Once created, a report similar in structure to the Route Appendix can be printed and/or saved by the user.

Arrangements for access to the NESA will be notified in both the Weekly and Periodical Operating Notices. Network Rail users will be able to access the service via Connect. All other users will be required to register for access via the Network Rail external portal.

List of Modules

<u>Module</u>	<u>Title</u>
KSW1	General Instructions and miscellaneous items
KSW2	Kent/Sussex Routes
	 Exceptionally Poor Rail Adhesion
	 Table A (Details of running lines)
	 Special working arrangements
	 Route Clearance
	 Local Instructions
KSW3	Wessex Route
	 Exceptionally Poor Rail Adhesion
	 Table A (Details of running lines)
	 Special working arrangements
	 Route Clearance
	 Local Instructions
KSW4	Signallers' Additional Instructions
KSW5	Network Rail/CTRL Interface Instructions



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