

CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

REGULATIONS FOR YARD FOREMEN AND  
SWITCHMEN GOVERNING OPERATION OF TEST  
TRAINS IN RAPID TRANSIT YARDS

As per bulletin G 6-71, the following regulations are in effect for operation of test trains in all rapid transit yards.

1. The Yard Foreman has final approval on the operation of any test in the yard requiring train movement of more than five feet except those which Shops and Equipment personnel are authorized to make. (See "Regulations Governing Testing of Rapid Transit Trains by Shops and Equipment Personnel.") The Yard Foreman is responsible for the safe operation of all trains in the yard and must take into account such factors as rail condition, visibility and potential interference with normal yard operation before granting permission to a Switchman to operate a test train.
2. When a request is made by the Terminal Foreman or person in charge in the foreman's absence, the Yard Foreman must provide a Switchman to operate the train as soon as he is satisfied it is safe to do so and as soon as manpower is available without adversely affecting normal yard operations.
3. Test trains may be operated only on the yard track designated for that purpose. (See reverse side for list of designated test tracks.)
4. Test trains may not exceed 15 M.P.H. and may not be operated beyond the clearance point of the designated track.

Whenever a test will require a higher speed than is hereby permitted in the yard or a greater distance of operation than is available on the designated test track, the Yard Foreman must contact the District Superintendent to obtain permission to operate the test train at a different location.

Under no circumstances is the Yard Foreman permitted to authorize a test on any track other than the designated track or at a speed in excess of 15 M.P.H.

5. The track designated for test purposes will be kept clear of storage trains until all other yard tracks are filled to capacity.

## TRACKS DESIGNATED FOR TEST TRAIN OPERATION IN YARDS:

### NORTH SECTION

Howard	-	Track 7 S
Kimball	-	Track 15 †
Linden	-	North Lead † †
Skokie	-	Track 21
Wilson	-	Track 10

### SOUTH SECTION

Ashland	-	Track 3E
61st Street	-	Track 9A
95th Street	-	Track 1

### WEST SECTION

Desplaines	-	Track 1W
Harlem	-	Track 1E
Jefferson Park	-	Track 1W † † †
54th	-	Track 1

† When using Track 15 (Kimball Yard) for test train operation, the Yard Foreman must be certain that a portable stop sign is placed on the crosswalk.

† † When using the North Lead (Linden Yard) for test train operation, the Yard Foreman must be certain that a portable stop sign is placed in the center of the track at the south end of the North Lead.

† † † When using Track 1W (Jefferson Park) for test train operation, the Yard Foreman must be certain that a portable stop sign is placed in the center of the track at the east end of Track 1W.