

**14.20. Completion of messages.—**

No part of any message shall be despatched or acted upon until the whole message has been written out except with a view to the prevention of an accident, or in some other case of emergency.

**14.21. Preservation of messages and written authorities to proceed.—**

Messages and written authorities to proceed shall be destroyed at such time after issue as may be prescribed by special instructions, provided that no message or written authority to proceed shall be destroyed before one month after issue.

**14.22. Cancellation of Line Clear.—**

On a single line when a Line clear has been cancelled, no train shall be allowed to leave in the opposite direction until a message has been received acknowledging such cancellation and stating that the train for which the Line Clear has been given is and shall be detained.

**14.23. Loco Pilot to have authority to proceed.—**

The Loco Pilot shall not take his train from a station unless he has in his possession as his authority to proceed, a Line Clear Ticket duly signed by the Station Master.

**14.24. Authority to proceed: when to be given to Loco Pilot.—**

An authority to proceed shall not be given to the Loco Pilot until the procedure prescribed for the purpose, so far as it is applicable in the particular case, has been followed.

S.R.14.24. For special instructions regarding the delivery of Line Clear Ticket, refer Annexure of Block Working Manuals 2005.

**D. Line Clear Tickets**

**14.25. Line Clear Tickets.—**

- (1) When owing to failure or non-provision of electrical block instruments the authority to proceed is a Line Clear Ticket, it shall, except under special instruction, be in the following form—
- (2) Each such ticket shall bear a serial number which shall be recorded in the Train Signal Register, the numbers for the Down direction being clearly distinguished from those for the Up direction.
- (3) The ticket referred in sub-rules (1) and (2) shall be printed on white paper with blue font. To distinguish Paper Line Clear Ticket for up and down directions, water mark arrow pointing “up” and “down” shall be printed on the ticket.

SR.14.25.1 On Single line, Double line and Multi line sections, when block instrument is interrupted or suspended, every train shall be stopped, run through trains being stopped out of course and the Station Master shall issue to the Loco Pilot of train a Paper Line Clear Ticket in the prescribed form i.e.T/C 1425 or T/D 1425 which shall be the Combined Authority for the train to proceed and to pass interlocked departure signals/IBS or both at ON or in defective position. *(Item No.38 of AS-16 Dt:14.06.24)*

The prescribed Paper Line Clear form numbers are—

- (A) Line Clear Enquiry Message for use by train despatching station - T/A 1425.
- (B) Line Clear Reply Message for use by train receiving station T/B – 1425.

The prescribed Paper Line Clear ticket numbers are—

- (C) Paper Line Clear Ticket – UP T/C 1425
- (D) Paper Line Clear Ticket – DN T/D 1425

**Note :** On double line section between ‘A’ and ‘B’ block stations, in case of partial failure of the Block Instruments, if the Block Instrument is working in, say UP direction (‘A’ to ‘B’) the train will be dispatched after taking Line Clear on the Block Instrument from ‘A’ to ‘B’. In the reverse direction (‘B’ to ‘A’) the train will be despatched on the authority of Paper Line Clear Ticket.

SR.14.25.2: Under special instructions, the formats of Paper Line Clear forms and Paper Line Clear Ticket are as below... *(Item No.39 of AS-16 Dt:14.06.24)*