

CHAPTER-I
DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

A. Definitions

101 Train: A train is a set of vehicles, worked by locomotive and it includes any other self propelled unit such as light engine/engines, rail motor vehicle/ vehicles etc.; empty or conveying passengers/ live stock/ parcels/ goods; which cannot be readily lifted off the track; and running under a particular number or a distinct name from a fixed point of departure to a fixed destination. Part of a train shall also be treated as a train for the purpose of this definition, classification and statistics. The train engine or any other vehicle once put on the train continues to be a part of the train until the station, beyond which it is not required to go on the same train, is reached. At such station, the moment the train engine or any other vehicle is detached from the train, it ceases to be part of the train.

101.1 Passenger Train: A train intended solely or partly meant for the carriage of passengers shall be treated as a passenger train. A workmen's train or a ballast train or a material train or an accident relief train or a tower car or cattle special or military special carrying authorized escorts or similar such train shall be treated as a passenger train.

101.2 Other Trains: All other trains not covered under passenger trains shall be termed as other trains.

102 Accident: For the purpose of railway working, accident is an occurrence in the course of working of railway which does or may affect the safety of the railway, its engines, rolling stock, permanent way and works, fixed installations, passengers or railway servants or which affects the safety of others or which does or may cause delay to trains or loss to the railway. For statistical purposes, accidents have been classified in categories from "A" to "R" excluding "I" and "O".

NOTE: Except where specially mentioned, nothing in these rules applies to workshop accidents, which are covered by the Factory Act, 1948 and the Rules made there under.

103 Serious Accident: Accident to a train carrying passengers which is attended-

- a) with loss of life, or
- b) with grievous hurt to a passenger or passengers in the train, or
- c) with damage to railway property, the value of which exceeding ₹2 crore, and
- d) any other accident, which in the opinion of the Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety or Commissioner of Railway safety requires holding of an inquiry by the Commissioner of Railway Safety, shall be deemed to be a serious accident.

However, the following shall be excluded from the category of a serious Accident:

- (a) Cases of trespassers run over and injured or killed through their own carelessness, or of passengers injured or killed through their own carelessness.
- (b) Cases involving railway servants or holding valid passes/tickets, or otherwise who are killed or grievously injured while travelling outside the rolling stock of a passenger train such as on foot board, or roof or buffer but excluding the inside of vestibules between coaches, or run over at a level crossing or elsewhere on the railway track by a train, and
- (c) Level crossing accident where no passenger or railway servant is killed or grievously hurt, unless the Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety or Commissioner of Railway safety is of the opinion that the accident requires the holding of an inquiry by the Commissioner of Railway Safety.