

1210 Removal and examination of Rolling Stock:

1210.1 Removal of not-Damaged Rolling Stock —

Rolling stock which remains on track undamaged may be taken away after the written permission of the Senior Police official at the site. These should be taken and stabled at the nearest convenient station where further examination of vacuum / air brake fittings can be made under the supervision of the Divisional Mechanical Engineer or Assistant Mechanical Engineer.

1210.2 Removal and examination of Damaged Rolling Stock —

A detailed examination of the engine and the vehicles damaged due to the accident should be made by the Divisional Mechanical Engineer along with the Senior Police Official. All damages and deficiencies should be carefully noted down and particular comments made with regard to damages and deficiencies likely to cause derailments and whether these appear to be old or fresh and the signature of the Police Official obtained on the note. These notes should be utilized for purpose of making the final note in the joint examination.

1211 Preparation of Notes and Drawings:

The following special points should be borne in mind / by the officers and Supervisory staff when examining the site and preparation of notes and drawings:-

- a) The exact position in which engines and vehicles came to rest and also where loose component parts were found.
- b) The exact position in which rails and component parts, such as sleepers, fish plates, bolts, nuts, dog spikes, etc., were found.
- c) Wheel marks and other damage to sleepers, rails and other fittings in the accident.
- d) The examination of rail ends at the displaced point or points for any dents or burs and whether burs are vertical or horizontal.
- e) The position of wheels in relation to any displaced rail, its normal alignment and the landing rail.
- f) Condition of the track in rear for at least 800 m.
- g) If the nature of the accident requires:-
 - i) The position and condition of signals, point and signal levers and block instruments should be inspected.
 - ii) Functioning of interlocking provided at the station should be tested.
 - iii) Train passing records including Train Signal Register, Private Number sheets and Line Admission Book should be seized and carefully preserved.
- h) Statement of staff should be recorded.

1212 Restoration of Communications:

Restoration of traffic should only be taken up after complete investigation and examination have been made, a joint note and sketch have been prepared, and the Police and Civil Authorities have given in writing that their investigations have been completed and that no further check is necessary. Steps to remove the vehicles and for restoration should commence only after this has been completed.

1213 Preparation of Plan for Inquiry:

A detailed plan should be prepared for the Commissioner of Railway Safety or Judicial Inquiry, which should be a reproduction of the original sketch. Copies of recorded note signed by the Railway and the Police representatives should form an appendix to the statement made by the senior most Official in his evidence at the inquiry.