

should be arranged in accordance with the rules. In case of VDU operated panels, procedure to ensure the concerned point is locked to prevent its operation shall be given in the Station Working Rules.

Note: Refer S.R. 4.10 for enhanced speeds on improved turnouts.

### **3.39. Locking of facing points.—**

**Facing points, when neither interlocked nor key locked, shall be locked for the passage of a train either by a clamp, or by a through bolt, with a padlock. It is not sufficient to lock the lever working the points.**

### **3.40. Conditions for taking 'off' Home signal.—**

- (1) When a train is approaching a Home signal otherwise than at a terminal station, the signal shall not be taken 'off' until the train has first been brought to a stand outside it, unless-**
  - a) on a double line, the line is clear for an adequate distance beyond the Starter or**
  - b) on a single line, line is clear for an adequate distance beyond the trailing points, or for an adequate distance beyond the place at which the train is required to come to a stand.**
- (2) Where a train has first been brought to a stand outside the Home signal, the signal may be taken 'off', if-**
  - a) on a double line, the line is clear up to the Starter, or**
  - b) on a single line, the line is clear up to the trailing points or under approved special instructions up to the place at which the train is required to come to a stand.**
- (3) Except under approved special instructions, the adequate distance referred to in sub-rule (1) shall never be less than-**
  - a) 180 metres at stations equipped with two-aspect lower quadrant or two-aspect colour light signals, or**
  - b) 120 metres in the case of stations provided with multiple-aspect signals or modified lower quadrant signals.**
- (4) Where a sand hump of approved design, or under approved special instructions a derailing switch, has been provided for the line on which a train is to be received, they shall be deemed to be efficient substitutes for the adequate distance referred to in sub-rule (3).**

S.R.3.40.1. The adequate distance for taking 'off' signals shall be specified in the Station Working Rules of the stations concerned and when the approval of the CRS has been obtained in terms of Rule 3.40 (1) (b) and (4), this shall also be indicated in the Station Working Rules.

S.R.3.40.2. Whenever a stopping train is to be received on a line not provided with track circuit or axle counter, Station Master shall ensure personally that the nominated line is clear of vehicles not only up to berthing place but also for an adequate distance beyond it.