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**NORTHAMPTON RESIGNALLING**  
**SPECIAL NOTICE 77E**

**NOTICE TO DRIVERS, GUARDS, SIGNALMEN AND OTHERS CONCERNED RESPECTING  
RESIGNALLING OF THE NORTHAMPTON LINES BETWEEN HANSLOPE JUNCTION AND  
WATFORD LODGE**

**OPERATIVE FROM MONDAY 29TH JULY 1991**

**IMPORTANT—This Notice to be acknowledged immediately on receipt to "Operating OD14  
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**CREWE**  
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Northampton No. 1, No. 3 and No. 4 boxes will be abolished. The Northampton lines throughout and the Branch line to Bridge Street box will become controlled by Rugby box and the Track Circuit Block Regulations will apply.

The altered permanent way layout and signalling, line designation changes and renaming of locations and junctions will be as shown on the attached diagram and list of routes.

The down and up main/fast lines between Northampton South Jn. and Mill Lane Jn. will become the **down and up Northampton fast** lines.

The up slow between Mill Lane Jn. and former Northampton No. 4 box, the down slow between former Northampton No. 4 box and Northampton North Jn. and the up platform loop between Northampton North Jn. and Northampton South Jn. will become the bi-directional "**up & down**" **slow** line.

The up goods between Mill Lane Jn. and former Northampton No. 4 box will become the **Shunting line**. The up goods between former Northampton No. 4 box and Northampton North Jn. will become the **Reception line**.

The No. 1 down goods will become the **down goods loop**.

The Up and No. 2 down goods will become part of the **Engineers sidings**.

The lines between the following points are bi-directional:—

<i>Line(s)</i>	<i>Between</i>
Down platform loop	Northampton South Jn. and Northampton North Jn.
Down Northampton fast	Northampton South Jn. and Northampton North Jn.
"Up and down" slow	Northampton South Jn and Mill Lane Jn.
Reception line	former Northampton No. 4 box and Northampton North Jn.

**Permissive working (Platform Lines)** is authorised on the through platform lines at Northampton station as follows:—

Down platform loop (plat. 3) and Down Northampton fast (plat. 2)—Down direction only.  
"Up and down" slow (plat. 1)—up direction only.

**Permissive working (Goods Lines)** will apply on the down goods loop at Northampton North Jn.

### **Permanent Speed Restrictions**

The existing **75 m.p.h. MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE SPEED** over the down and up Northampton fast/main lines between Hunsbury Hill Tunnel and Hillmorton will continue to apply subject to the following changes to the Permanent Speed Restrictions:—

<i>Line(s)</i>	<i>Speed</i>	<i>Between</i>
Down and up main/fast lines	— <b>35 m.p.h.</b>	65m.36chs. and 66m.21chs.
Down and up fast/main lines	— <b>60 m.p.h.</b>	66m.21chs. and 67m.09chs.
Down platform loop—plat. 3 { down and up "Up & down" slow—plat. 1 { direction	— <b>20 m.p.h.</b> — <b>20 m.p.h.</b>	{ Northampton South Jn. and { Northampton North Jn.
"Up & down" slow (down and up direction)	— <b>15 m.p.h.</b>	66mp. and 66m.18chs.
"Up & down" slow (down and up direction)	— <b>30 m.p.h.</b>	66m.18chs. and 67m.09chs
"Up & down" slow to down main, up main to "Up & down" slow, and down main to up main and "Up & down" slow	— <b>25 m.p.h.</b>	{ through Mill Lane { junctions 67m.09chs { and 67m.21chs.

**“Right Away” Indicators**

Stencil “Right Away” indicators “R” will be provided on the following platform signals (Rules H.5.8, H.5.9 and H.5.10 apply):—

Platform	Signal
No. 1	RY.1024 (south end) RY.1033 (north end).
Note:—an additional “Right Away” indicator will be provided for RY.1033 positioned approx. half-way along the platform.	
No. 2	RY.1020 (south end) RY.1031 (north end).
Note:— an additional “Right Away” indicator will be provided for RY.1031 positioned approx. half-way along the platform.	
No. 3	RY.1018 (south end) RY.1029 (north end).
Note:— an additional “Right Away” indicator and an “OFF” indicator will be provided for RY.1029 positioned approx. half-way along the platform.	
No. 4 (Bay platform)	RY.1025

**Signal post telephones** will be provided at all signals capable of showing a red aspect.

**Catch points**

The former box worked run-away catch points in the up main at 65m.40chs. will become spring worked. The former spring worked run-away catch points in the down main line at 67m.26chs. will become power box worked.

**List of Signal Routes—Main running signals with more than one route indication and of position light shunt signals.**

Signal	Aspect	Route/Jn. Indicator	Route to	Signal	Aspect	Route/Jn. Indicator	Route to
RY.1015	M	Pos. 1	Down Platform Loop	RY.1033	PL	E	Engineers Sidings
	PL	Pos. 1	Down Platform Loop		M	G	Down Goods Loop
	M	—	Down Northampton Fast		PL	G	Down Goods Loop
	PL	F	Down Northampton Fast		M	F	Down Northampton Fast
RY.1018	M	U	Up Northampton	RY.1035	M	S	“Up & down” Slow
	PL	—	Down Northampton		PL	SG	Reception Line
RY.1020	M	U	Up Northampton		PL	SG	Up Sidings
	PL	—	Down Northampton		RY.1036	PL	E
RY.1022	M	—	Up Northampton	M		G	Down Goods Loop
	PL	DN	Down Northampton	PL		G	Down Goods Loop
RY.1024	M	B	Bridge Street Branch	M		F	Down Northampton Fast
	M	U	Up Northampton	M	S	“Up & Down” Slow	
	PL	DN	Down Northampton	PL	HS	Headshunt	
RY.1025 & RY.1027	PL	E	Engineers Sidings	RY.1038	M	Y	Castle Yard
	M	G	Down Goods Loop		PL	B5	Platform 5
	PL	G	Down Goods Loop		M	B5	Platform 5
	M	F	Down Northampton Fast		M	B4	Platform 4
	M	S	“Up & Down” Slow	PL	B4	Platform 4	
RY.1029 & RY.1031	PL	SG	Reception Line	M	S	“Up and down” Slow	
	PL	SG	Up Sidings	PL	S	“Up and down” Slow	
	RY.1029	PL	Pos. 1	Engineers Sidings	M	F	Up Northampton Fast
		M	Pos. 1	Down Goods Loop	M	DF	Down Northampton Fast
	RY.1031	M	—	Down Northampton Fast	M	DP	Down Platform Loop
M		Pos. 4	“Up & Down” Slow	PL	SG	River Sidings	

**List of Signal Routes – Main running signals with more than one route indication and of position light shunt signals.**

Signal	Aspect	Route/Jn. Indicator	Route to	Signal	Aspect	Route/Jn. Indicator	Route to
RY.1044	PL	—	Up Sidings Reception Line "Up and Down" Slow	RY.1216 & RY.1218 & RY.1220	PL	—	Castle Yard Platform 5 Platform 4 "Up and Down" Slow Down Northampton Fast Down Platform Loop River Sidings
	PL	—			PL	—	
	M	—			PL	—	
RY.1052	M	Pos. 1	"Up & Down" Slow Up Northampton Fast		PL	—	
	M	—			PL	—	
RY.1202	PL	—	Up Northampton				
RY.1205	PL	—	Down Platform Loop Down Northampton Fast "Up and Down" Slow	RY.1222 & RY.1224	PL	—	Castle Yard Platform 5 Platform 4 "Up and Down" Slow
	PL	—			PL	—	
	PL	—			PL	—	
RY.1211	PL	—	Engineers Sidings Down Goods Loop Down Northampton Fast "Up and Down" Slow	RY.1225 & RY.1227	PL	—	"Up and down" Slow Shunting Line
	PL	—			PL	—	
	PL	—		RY.1228	PL	—	Up Sidings Reception Line
	PL	—			PL	—	
RY.1214	PL	—	Castle Yard	RY.1230	PL	DF	Down Northampton Fast Down Goods Loop
					PL	DGL	
RY.1215	PL	—	Reception Line Up Sidings	RY.1232	PL	—	"Up and down" Slow Up Northampton Fast
	PL	—			PL	—	

