BRITISH RAILWAYS

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Notice to Enginemen, Guards, etc.

MULTIPLE ASPECT SIGNALLING SOUTHCOTE JUNCTION

to

THEALE

SUNDAY, 10th MAY, 1964

Between the hours of 12.1 a.m. and 5.0 p.m. Sunday (or until completion) the Chief Signal and Telecommunications Engineer will be engaged in bringing into use a further stage of the Reading M.A.S. Scheme consisting of multiple aspect colour light signalling and continuous track circuiting on the Down and Up Main Lines between Southcote Junction and Theale in accordance with the attached diagram.

The aspects displayed by the new signals and the identification plates borne by them will be generally in accordance with the description on pages 19, 20, 21 and 22 of the Regional Appendix except as subsequently modified by Rules 44(A) and 55(g).

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. SIGNALLING.

The following existing semaphore signal will be renamed as under :-

THEALE.

Down Main Home becomes Down Main Inner Home.

Certain ground signals at Theale will be re-routed as shown on the attached sketch.

The existing ground signals reading from Up Sidings to Up Main and from Goods Shed Siding to Up Main at present white light discs will be provided with yellow arms and lights.

2. REDUNDANT SIGNALLING.

The following signalling apparatus will be recovered :-

SOUTHCOTE JUNCTION.

Up Main Distant and associated A.W.S. ramp.

Up Main Home.

THEALE.

Up Main Distant and associated A.W.S. ramp.

Up Main Home.

Up Main Inner Home.

Up Main Starting.

Down Main Distant (colour light) and associated A.W.S. ramp.

Ground Signal reading from Up Main to Up Sidings.

3. TRACK CIRCUIT BLOCK WORKING.

Track Circuit Block Working will apply on the Down and Up Main Lines between Southcote Junction and Theale Signal Boxes in accordance with page 37 of the Regional Appendix.

The existing Block Switches at Theale will be removed.

4. TELEPHONES.

A telephone giving exclusive communication with the signalman at Southcote Junction will be provided at UW39 signal.

Telephones giving exclusive communication with the signalman at Theale will be provided at all new controlled multiple aspect signals capable of showing a red aspect and bearing the prefix "TH" on the identification plate.

Occupation of the locking frame at Theale will be required for the purpose of altering and testing the locking.

During the time the work is in progress the Down and Up Main Distant signals at Theale and the Up Main Distant signal at Southcote Junction will be disconnected and remain at Caution.

All arrangements for the safe working of the line including the appointment of any Handsignalmen in accordance with Rule 77, must be made by the District Inspector.

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