## **BRITISH RAILWAYS – WESTERN REGION**

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# Notice to Enginemen, Guards, etc.

# INTRODUCTION OF STAGE 4 (St. Fagans to Llantrisant West) of the Cardiff Multiple Aspect Signalling Scheme SATURDAY to MONDAY, 23rd to 25th APRIL, 1966

Between the hours of 2315, Saturday, 23rd, and 2000, Sunday, 24th April, 1966, or until completion of work, the Chief Signal and Telecommunications Engineer and Divisional Civil Engineer will be engaged in introducing the fourth stage of this scheme and will bring into use multiple aspect signalling and continuous track circuiting from St. Fagans to Llantrisant West.

Signal aspects, signal identification plates and A.W.S. ramps will be generally in accordance with the description on pages 18 to 22 of the Regional Appendix except as subsequently modified by Rules 44 (A) and 55 (g).

### Signal Boxes to be taken out of use

The following signal boxes will be taken out of use together with all existing signalling worked therefrom (subject to what is stated in "Alterations to layout", below):—

Peterston West Pontsarn Crossing Llantrisant East

### Other Alterations to existing signal boxes, etc., and Signalling

### St. Fagans

The signal box will be renamed St. Fagans Ground Frame. The existing Up Main Distant (SF44) will be recovered and all remaining signals controlled by the signal box will, in future, be controlled from Cardiff with appropriate changes in signal identification numbers. The level crossing gates will be released from Cardiff

### St. Georges Crossing Ground Frame

The ground frame will be renamed St. Georges Ground Frame and will remain to work the level crossing gates, subject to release from Cardiff. All existing signals will be recovered.

### Miskin Crossing

The signal box will be renamed Miskin Ground Frame and will remain to work the level crossing gates, subject to release from Cardiff. All existing signals will be recovered.

### Llantrisant West

The signal box will be renamed Llantrisant West Ground Frame. All existing semaphore signals will be recovered. Existing multiple aspect signals controlled from the signal box will in future be controlled from Cardiff with appropriate changes in signal identification numbers. The level crossing gates and points will be released from Cardiff.

At the above ground frames, switches are provided for the release of the gates during failure and for the placing of the protecting signals to danger in an emergency.

### Alterations to Layout

- (i) Runaway catch points will be provided as shewn in heavy print on attached sketch.
- (ii) The Up Goods Loop and Down Goods Loop between Pontsarn and Miskin Crossing signal boxes will be reduced in capacity by the repositioning of the connections leading to and from the Main Lines at present worked from Pontsarn Crossing.
- (iii) At Peterston the existing Up Goods Loop will be recovered.
- (iv) At Miskin Crossing, the existing trailing crossover will be recovered.
- (v) At Llantrisant East, all connections other than those shewn on the attached sketch will be recovered.

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The layout and signalling as at the completion of work are as shewn on the attached sketch, all new layout facilities being shewn in heavy print.

Cowbridge Branch

This branch will be reduced to the status of a Siding, the O.E.S. Staff working being withdrawn. Llanharry ground frame will be recovered and the connection will be worked by hand lever.

The following ground frames will be brought into use and released from Cardiff:-Pontsarn Llantrisant East

Pontsarn Level Crossing

The existing gates at Pontsarn Crossing will be recovered and automatic half-barriers, employing speed discrimination on both Up and Down Main Lines will be provided.

Whistle Boards will be provided as under:

Up Main: 292 yards and 166 yards before reaching the crossing. Down Main: 257 yards and 147 yards before reaching the crossing.

A new accommodation crossing will be provided at about 30 yards on the Cardiff side of the existing level crossing.

A.W.S. Ramps

A.W.S. ramps are provided as shewn on the sketch, being 200 yards in rear of the signal to which each applies.

**Point Machines** 

All points shewn on the attached sketch except spring points and ground frame worked points will be operated by electric point machines, Westinghouse Brake and Signal Company's Style M.3.

Relevant instructions for emergency operation are given on pages 139 and 140 of the Regional Appendix.

Hand cranks for their emergency operation are located in release instruments adjacent to the points and can only be withdrawn when a release is given from Cardiff.

**Block Arrangements** 

Track Circuit Block Julations will apply on all running lines covered by this Notice.

**Telephones** 

Telephones, communicating with Cardiff signal box, will be provided at:—
(i) All multiple aspect signals having the prefix "C".

(ii) All automatic and semi-automatic signals on Up Main and Down Main lines on the Cardiff side of Llantrisant West.

(iii) All ground frames.

(iv) All hand crank release instruments.(v) Pontsarn accommodation crossing.

(vi) At both the Up side and the Down side barrier at Pontsarn level crossing.

The existing telephones at signals UM184, UM183, LW3, DM173, C13 and C24 will be altered to communicate with Cardiff.

Train Description

The Train Description display field at Cardiff will be extended to include all the running lines featuring in this Notice.

**Locking Frames** 

There will be occupation of the frames at St. Fagans, St. Georges Crossing, Miskin Crossing and Llantrisant West for bolting levers.

Occupation and Special Train Arrangements

See weekly speed and engineering notice for occupation arrangements and W.K. Notice for special train arrangements.

District Inspector Fry to make all arrangements for safe working including the appointment of the necessary handsignalmen, in accordance with Rule 77.

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT ON FORM BELOW

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12th April, 1966 Cardiff (Extn. 2470) Divisional Manager

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