



THE BELT RAILWAY COMPANY OF CHICAGO

TRAIN DISPATCHER NOTICE

#2019-D006

Effective 1600, July 7, 2019

To: Train Dispatchers, Clearing

Subject: Track Bulletin Instructions (TMDS)

Track Bulletin Instructions

By General Order, Track Bulletins, GCOR Chapter 15, as revised by System Special Instructions, is in effect at 1600, Sunday, July 7, 2019.

The legacy DOB system, using Belt Apps, is retired at that time and will no longer be used.

DOB Issuance Process:

At or after 1600 daily, the North TD will verify with the South TD that any restrictions needing to be entered are complete. The North TD will then issue the DOB.

Functionally,

- North TD can only post and remove in North TD territory
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If necessary to reissue the DOB at any other time the same procedure will be followed.

DOB distribution to other railroads is on a self-serve basis, using the BRC website.

Once the DOB is issued, the previous day's DOB will remain active in the system and can be cancelled after the expiration of a 24-hour period. This will account for trains entering the railroad that may have the old DOB.

Any changes to the restrictions on the railroad will be done verbally with trains, after which the trains may be allowed to proceed in accordance with GCOR Rule 15.7 Copying Track Bulletins, as modified by System Special Instruction.

Track Bulletins:

Track Bulletin Forms are outlined in GCOR Rule 15.1 Track Bulletins, as modified by System Special Instruction.

Track Bulletin Form X will be issued to protect automatic warning device failures on both main track, and on the South Chicago District Industrial Lead and Elsdon Industrial Lead.

Documentation of crossing failure within Belt Apps is still required to ensure proper recordkeeping under federal law.

Track Bulletin Form O and Track Bulletin Form B will not be issued without concurrence of the Director-Strategic Planning and Compliance or the Manager of Operating Practices.

Associating restrictions and DOB numbers to trains is essential to allow the logic to work that will warn the Train Dispatcher when a train may not have a restriction at a location within its intended route.

When necessary to grant authority without assignment of a DOB, it may can be performed, at the sole discretion of the Train Dispatcher, who must ascertain that the movement is in possession of any required track bulletin restrictions prior to traversing the route.

Train Dispatcher Turnover Requirements:

Train Dispatchers in turnover, must review all active Track Bulletins and Void Track Bulletins requiring delivery, and the active DOB.

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Train Dispatcher Notices in Effect:

Year of Issuance	Numbers
2016	TD1, D004, D005
2017	D007, D011
2018	D002, D005, D008, D010, D011, D012, D013
2019	D001, D002, D003, D005, D006