

BRITISH RAILWAYS

London Midland Region
(WESTERN LINES)

SPECIAL NOTICE 305G

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NOTICE TO DRIVERS, GUARDS, SIGNALMEN AND OTHERS RESPECTING THE INTRODUCTION OF MULTIPLE ASPECT SIGNALLING FROM RYECROFT JUNCTION TO ALDRIDGE JUNCTION, RUSHALL AND BLOXWICH, AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING SIGNALS AT WALSALL STATION.

IMPORTANT: This Notice to be acknowledged IMMEDIATELY on receipt to " TRAINS, CREWE ", using the code: ARNO 305G

The diagram, with schedule of route indications, which is attached to this notice shows the resignalling of the lines in the Ryecroft Junction area after the commissioning of Stage 2B of the Walsall resignalling scheme. This will be an extension of the existing multiple-aspect signalling controlled from Walsall signal box which was provided in Stages 1 and 2A (see Special Notices 1211G of December, 1965, and 171G of March, 1966).

The work will commence at 00.01 on Sunday, 4th June, 1967, and is due to be completed by 06.00 on Monday, 5th June, 1967. During this period points and signals worked from the signal boxes concerned will be disconnected and drivers hand-signalled as necessary. Further details of the working during this period will be found in Sections " B " and " C " of the appropriate Weekly Notice.

/ On completion of the work the permanent way and signalling will be as shown on the diagram, and the following notes give supplementary details of the changes.

WALSALL STATION

Calling-on signals for the down fast line will be provided at signals WL.74 and WL.77.

RYECROFT JUNCTION

The signal box and all signals controlled from it will be taken away.

BIRCHILLS POWER SIDINGS

The signal box will become a shunting frame. The up and down lines to Ryecroft Junction will become up and down through sidings. The up starting signal will be taken away and the shunt-ahead signal on the same post will become a shunting signal controlling the entrance to the up through siding. The down distant signals will be taken away. All other signals will remain.

NORTH WALSALL JUNCTION

The signal box and all signals controlled from it will be taken away.

LICHFIELD ROAD JUNCTION

The signal box and all signals controlled from it will be taken away.

ALDRIDGE JUNCTION

There will be no alterations to the positions of the signals controlled from this signal box.

RUSHALL

The semaphore down distant signal will be taken away and signals WL.61 and WL.62 will act as down distant signals for Rushall. A three-aspect colour light down home signal (RL.1) will be provided, and the existing semaphore down home signal will become the down starting signal. A two-aspect colour light distant signal for Walsall signal box will be provided underneath the semaphore up home signal (RL.17). When the semaphore signal RL.17 is in the ON position, no light will be shown in the colour light signal; but when it is in the OFF position no green light will be shown in the semaphore signal and the colour light signal will show a green or yellow aspect.

BIRCHILLS SIDING (BLOXWICH)

The signal box and all signals controlled from it will be taken away. The crossover between the up and down lines and trailing connection from the down line to the sidings will be controlled from a new ground frame called "Birchills Siding" which will be released electrically from Bloxwich signal box.

BLOXWICH

A two-aspect colour light down home signal (BH.13) with colour light distant will be provided in rear of Birchills Siding ground frame. The existing signals controlled from this signal box will remain in their present positions.

CATCH OR TRAP POINTS

The catch or trap points in the resignalled area will be re-arranged as shown below:—

			<i>Signal No.</i>	<i>Yards in rear of signal</i>	<i>Yards in advance of signal</i>
Down Through Siding	..	..	PS.36	1,900	—
Up Through Siding	..	..	WL.57	—	5
Down Cannock	..	..	BH.13	—	200
" "	..	..	BH.13	1,500	—
" "	..	..	BH.6	725	—
Up Water Orton	..	..	WL.50	620	—
" " "	..	..	AJ.4	1,500	—

GENERAL

All multiple-aspect signals and position-light shunting signals will be plated as shown on the diagram. The numbers shown against semaphore signals are for reference only.

Telephones will be provided at all the new colour light stop signals.

The distances between distant and home signals leading to and from the resignalled area are shown on the diagram.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The method of working, e.g. Track Circuit Block, Absolute Block, on the resignalled lines will be shown in amendments to the Crewe and South thereof Sectional Appendix which will be published in the W.E.I Notice in the usual way.

Crewe,
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INTRODUCTION OF MULTIPLE ASPECT SIGNALLING FROM RYECROFT JUNCTION TO ALDRIDGE JUNCTION, RUSHALL AND BLOXWICH, AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING SIGNALS AT WALSALL STATION. SCHEDULE OF MAIN RUNNING SIGNALS READING TO ALTERNATIVE ROUTES OR CARRYING SUBSIDIARY ASPECTS AND OF SHUNTING SIGNALS.

WALSALL (W.L.)

SIGNAL PROFILE	SIGNAL NUMBER	ASPECT	JUNCTION INDIC ^R .	ROUTE INDIC ^R .	ROUTE
	WL 52	MAIN	POS. 1.		UP FAST
		MAIN			UP SLOW
	WL 55	MAIN	POS. 1.		UP FAST
		MAIN			UP SLOW
	WL 61	SUB		SDG	BIRCHILLS POWER SDGS.
		MAIN	POS. 2.		DOWN CANNOCK
		MAIN	POS. 1.		DOWN LICHFIELD
		SUB		WO	UP WATER ORTON
		MAIN			UP WATER ORTON
	WL 62	SUB		SDG	BIRCHILLS POWER SDGS.
		MAIN	POS. 1.		DOWN CANNOCK
		MAIN			DOWN LICHFIELD

WALSALL (WL)

SIGNAL PROFILE	SIGNAL NUMBER	ASPECT	JUNCTION IND'R	ROUTE IND'R	ROUTE
	WL74	MAIN			DOWN FAST
		SUB		F	DOWN FAST
	WL77	SUB		F	DOWN FAST
					ADDITIONAL ROUTE

WALSALL (WL)

SIGNAL PROFILE	SIGNAL NUMBER	ASPECT	ROUTE INDIC'R	ROUTE
☐	WL57	SHUNT		UP FAST
		SHUNT		UP SLOW
	WL58	SHUNT		UP SLOW
	WL59	SHUNT		UP WATER ORTON
☒ ☐	WL56	SHUNT		UP FAST
		SHUNT	DF	DOWN FAST
	WL60	SHUNT	SDG.	BIRCHILLS POWER SIDINGS
		SHUNT		DOWN CANNOCK
		SHUNT		DOWN LICHFIELD