

## **Business Critical Rules**

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The Business Critical Rules programme is changing the way we manage safety, financial and reputational risk in Network Rail to make it simpler, safer and more effective.





# Business Critical Rules allow us to manage key risks in a simpler, safer and more effective way



**Simpler** 

Focuses on managing key risks and clarifies accountabilities and responsibilities

Safer

Enables us to deploy resources to focus on the management of key risks and controls

More effective

Enables us to tailor our work so that we can control local risks in the most appropriate way

BCR allows you to tailor your inspection and maintenance regimes according to your local risks, environment and needs





## Why do we need BCR?



The rationale for the BCR Programme came from:

- No consistent approach to risk management
- The existing Standards approach does not provide a line of sight from our risks to how we manage them
- A lack of clarity in risk controls and consistency in how their performance is monitored
- No system to permit an identical emphasis on local risk management across the routes
- Roles and Responsibilities are not clear in standards
- The current system was designed to evolve reactively (that is, following a major incident rather than putting preventative measures in place).

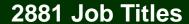
As a strategic programme, BCR's benefits will start to be felt in CP5, however, the full impact will be realised in CP6







## Why do we need BCR?



4,200 distinct competencies

220,000 risks within ARM

620,000 individually held competencies

844 standards, 9664 controlled documents

3,314 Temporary non Compliances







# Our vision is to fundamentally change our approach to management of risk



Concept











#### What?

Replacing existing 'standards framework' with the simpler, risk-based Business Critical Rules framework

Using technology and innovation so that people can easily access the information they need

Making sure that our people have the skills and knowledge they needs to use the new framework

#### How?

Developing the BCR framework and Rules for each asset/national function

Developing e-role manuals providing easy access to the information they need, when they need it

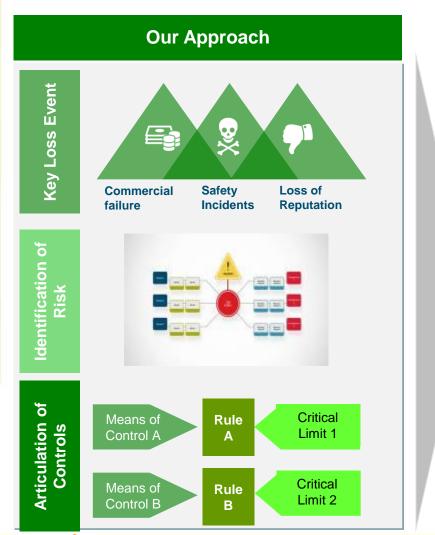
Developing skills and competences so everyone understands how to take a risk-based approach

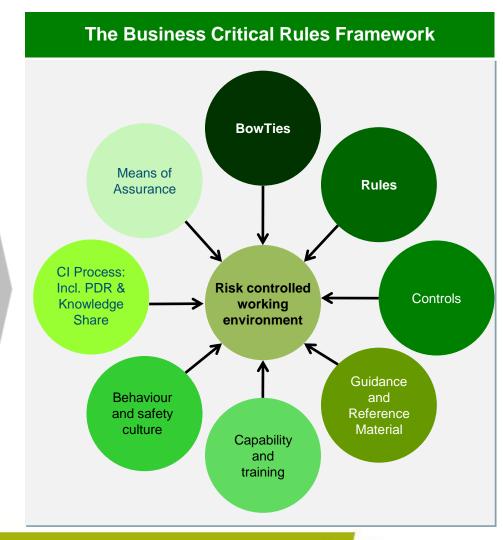




# The framework focuses on understanding major loss events, and their implications



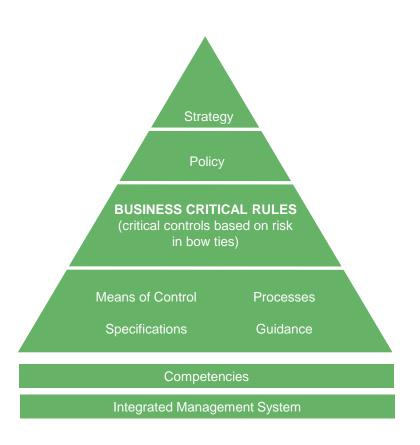






## The principles of the BCR framework





- Entirely based on risk and our ability to control it
- Simplifies the Standards system by clarifying our information and making it easily available to those who need it
- Role-based, defining clear accountability for the key controls that manage risk
- Continuous improvement review cycle built in to enable control owners to manage risk where it is best understood
- Clarity of the Rules will make enforcement and assurance more straightforward

The BCR framework will tighten control around things that really matter, and loosen control where increased flexibility offers efficiencies and productivity gains.





# We already have 10 Business Critical Rules...



#### Working responsibly



Always be sure the required plans and permits are in place, before you start a job or go on or near the line.



Always use equipment that is fit for its intended purpose.



Never undertake any job unless you have been trained and assessed as competent.



Never work or drive while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

#### **Driving**



Never use a hand-held or handsfree phone, or programme any other mobile device, while driving.



Always obey the speed limit and wear a seat belt.

#### Working with electricity



Always test before applying earths or straps.



Never assume equipment is isolated – always test before touch.

#### Working at height



Always use a safety harness when working at height, unless other protection is in place.

#### Working with moving equipment



Never enter the agreed exclusion zone, unless directed to by the person in charge.

## ...our 10 Lifesaving Rules







- BCR provides a more flexible approach for how you manage your risk content
- BCR links top risk with your training and competence
- BCR gives you an on-line role manual

BCR links to the assurance and audit regime, and allows you to see

how effective your local controls are







## What are the principles of our framework?



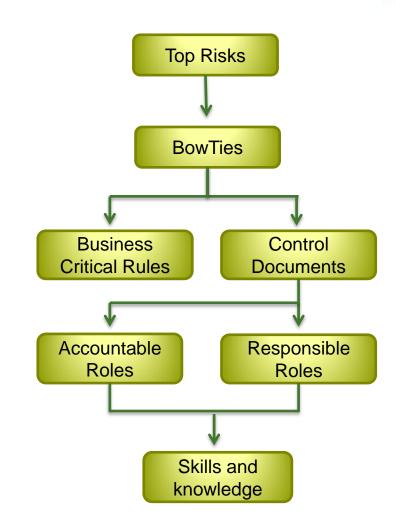
Our top risks are in our BowTies, which details the controls for how we can manage our risks.

Our Business Critical Rules are rules that we must all follow (including the Life Saving Rules).

The Control Documents tell us what we need to do and who needs to do it.

In the Control Documents we identify who is **accountable** (has to make sure the task or activity is carried out) and who is **responsible** (actually has to carry out the task or activity

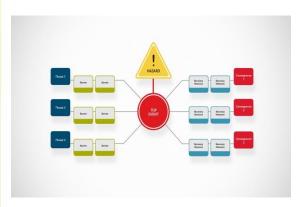
We then make sure those who are accountable and responsible have the skills and knowledge to successfully carry out the necessary processes and tasks, through the Role Based Capability Programme (RBC).





# The BCR change programme will link risks to rules, NetworkRail through controls and clarifying role accountabilities

#### **R**isks



Systematic assessment of risk using the **BOW TIE** method

#### Rules



Core technical and cultural requirements for **everyone** in Network Rail



#### Roles



Specific guidance on relevant risks, means of control in the role and competency required

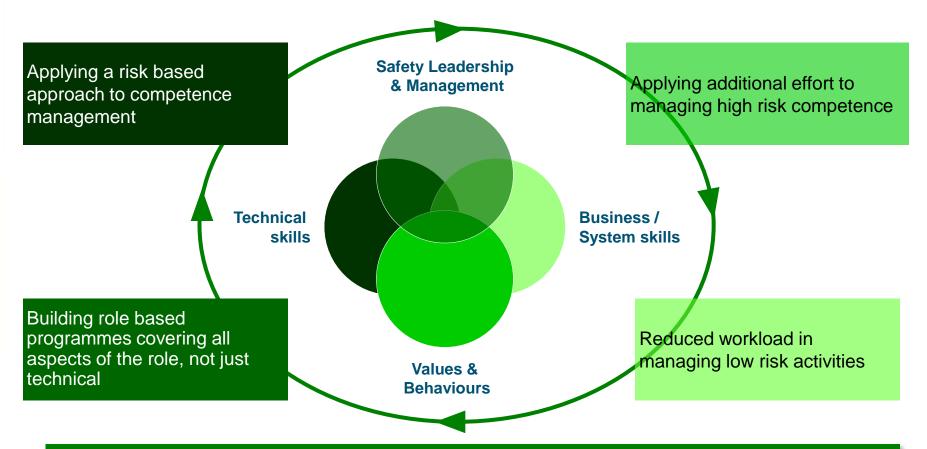
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# Role Based Capability will provide the framework to equip staff with the skills they need





This system will develop the confidence to challenge unsafe activity and can work more collaboratively in order to improve overall performance





# The BCR Framework consists of the elements necessary to sustain and enhance risk control in the future

Maintain BCR Control Framework Products

 Provide on going review and change control for BCR framework products – Rules, Bowties, Means of Assurance, Limits, Specifications and Role Based Capability

Develop and operate BCR on-line

 A vehicle to deliver the BCR control framework products to the business, and run the Document local change control process

Control Status Reporting

 A vehicle to capture the output of the Line Management self assurance process, and real time reporting on status of individual controls, providing lead indicators for key corporate risks

Identify and Promote Good Practice

 Facilitate a structured process of good practice identification and continuous learning

The control framework is designed to principles that are consistent with Network Rails existing assurance framework, and flexible, practical and proportionate to risk.







# What are the benefits?

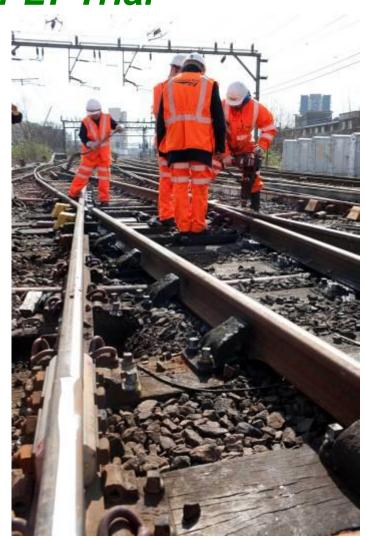






#### Benefits - outcomes of the PLT Trial

- Track Engineers are driving changes as they are seeing the potential benefits locally – will give them greater freedom to use resources that are freed up to carry out other tasks
- Able to see potential benefits in man hours saved and productivity
- Wales/ LNW and Wessex have put forward a number of proposed changes to their means of control
- We're seeing Means of Control changes that reflect local needs
- Introducing safer ways of working, such as less staff exposure to trains

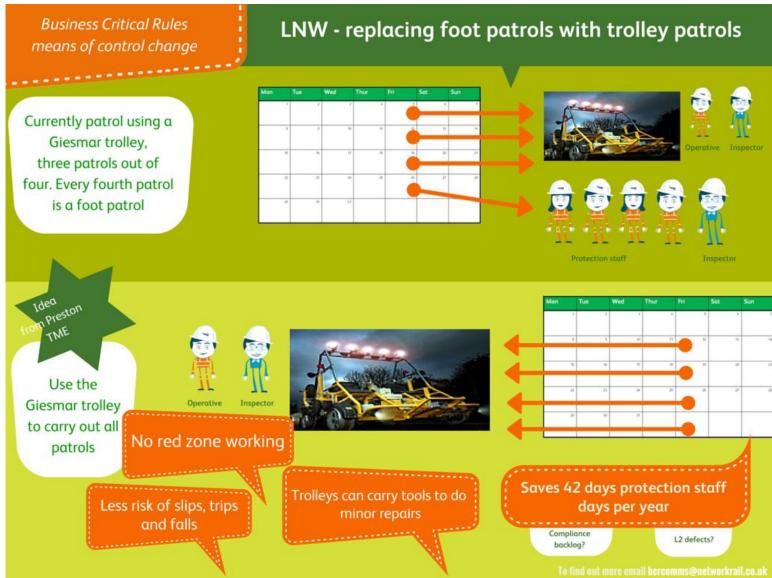






### REPLACING FOOT PATROLS

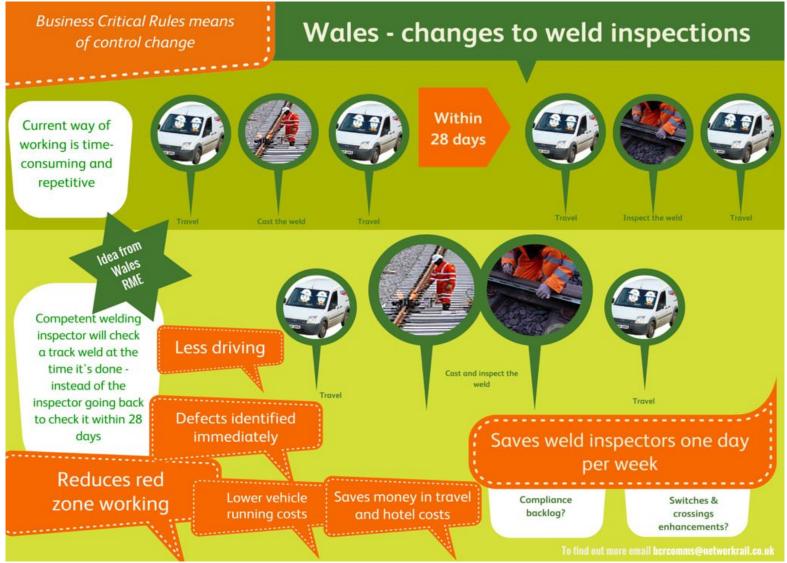






## Weld Inspections

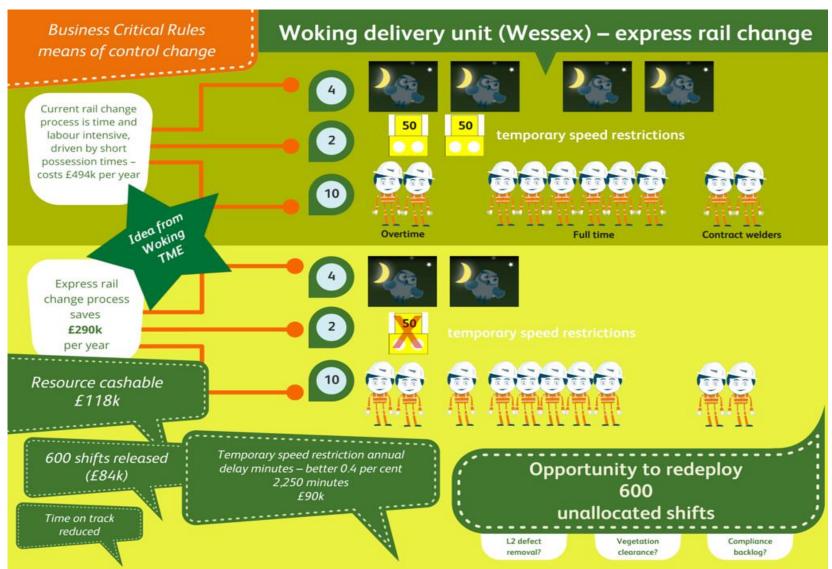






## Express Rail Change

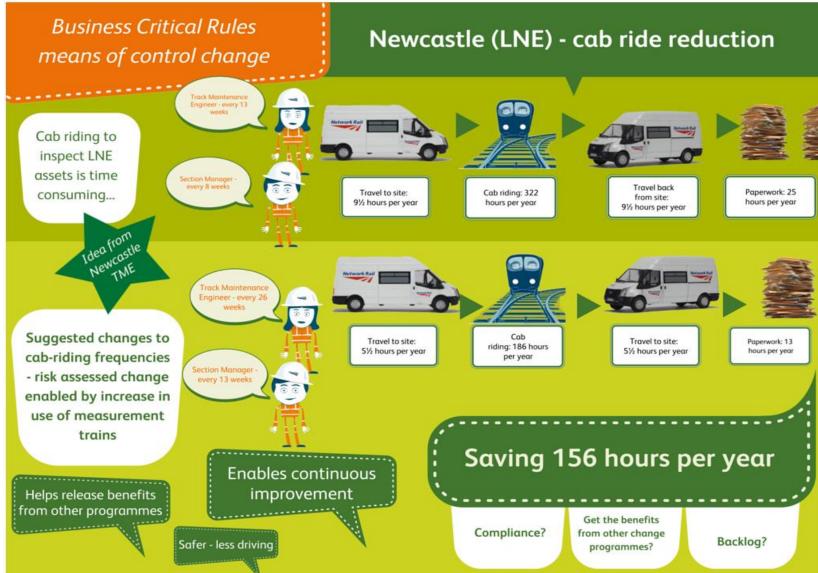






#### Cab Ride Reduction









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