

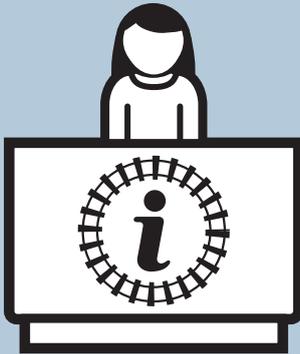
SAI (a.c.) Newsletter

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Standard Reversion

The use of the NR/L3/ELP/25000 standard for the SAI (a.c.) trial has been suspended and all personnel should now revert back to using NR/L3/ELP/29987 (aka. Green Book).

All ground activities not requiring an isolation should revert back to Rule Book GERT8000 & Task Risk Control Sheet GA21.



Communications

As a project we aim to make sure all our stakeholders are kept up to date with information and progress.

In this unprecedented time of national crisis, we will continue to provide floor-walking and on-call support alongside email channels and our Yammer page.

We urge you to continue to provide feedback, ask any questions and advise us of any concerns through these channels.

A list of emails are available in the reversion briefing note. Or speak to any of the Project team if preferred.

The SAI-AC@networkrail.co.uk email will still aim to respond within 48 hours.

SAI (AC) 25kV Trial Suspension Notice

In light of the impact the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak has had on the nations workforce, including that of the operational running railway, a review of the NR/L3/ELP/25000 trial took place.

To support the increasing demand on the operational railways resources, the decision has been made to temporarily suspend the trial.

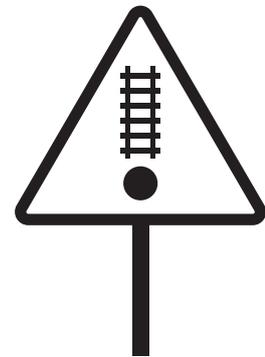
The suspension of the trial will be effective from 0659 hrs on Friday 20th March 2020.

All planned isolations will revert back to NR/L3/ELP/29987 requirements and all other activities not requiring an isolation, reverting back to Rule Book GE/RT8000 and task risk control sheet GA21; effective 0700 hrs Friday 20th March 2020.

All SAI (a.c.) trial competencies gained will remain active on your Sentinel cards or on the Oracle database, even though there will no longer be a requirement to hold these competencies during the suspension period.

The SAI (a.c.) trial to date has brought forward good practices that we would encourage the continuation of during the suspension period, such as Site Visits and the use of Control Measures.

We will fully support the use of these methods when reverting back to NR/L3/ELP/29987.



It is important to remember that this is a suspension, not a cancellation!

Network Rail will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation in line with Government guidelines, and will further update on when a decision to restart the trial is agreed.

A set of actions required to enable the reversion back to NR/L3/ELP/29987 will be briefed to all those impacted by the trials suspension.

Whilst in the process of suspending the trial, there is a need to consider the immediate business need and ensure that the suspension of the trial does not impact the DUs ability to fulfil its requirement to maintain a safe railway.

Training, Competencies and DRACAS

It is important to understand that the suspension of the trial is only related to the infrastructure planning and implementation 'Boots on Ballast' activities.

Any training that is already arranged and planned should still be completed if the environment allows.

This also will be monitored closely, and sufficient arrangements made as information progresses.

The DRACAS Working Group will also continue to investigate the items that have been raised to date.

We remain committed to reviewing all the data raised so far through the DRACAS process and feeding back on actions taken, in order to improve the 25000 standard processes and procedures when the SAI (a.c.) trial is reinstated.