

SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR CONTRACTORS AND NON-CN PERSONNEL

Introduction

This document is a condensed version of CN's mandatory safety training for Contractors and non-CN personnel. It should be noted that this document is not a substitute for the mandatory safety training for Contractors and non-CN personnel including eRailsafe or Contractor Orientation as the case may be. For the purposes of this document "Contractor" may also apply to individuals on CN property, whether under contract to CN or not.

Contractor's employees or subcontractors performing work within the CN right-of-way must familiarize themselves with CN's Contractor Safety Package, complete a Contractor Orientation Course and must be registered on the Contractor Completion Database which can be found at the following website: www.contractororientation.com. If you have been contracted by CN and are completing work on behalf of CN, you are required to ensure anyone working on the project within CN right of way, or within 30 feet of the nearest rail (whichever is greater), has completed eRailSafe. This course can be found at the following website: www.erailsafecanada.com

These guidelines are not to be considered as a substitute for the applicable government regulations. These guidelines are the minimum requirement and must be exceeded where the hazard or government regulations warrant.

It is not possible to deal with every hazard in this one document. These guidelines are to be employed in conjunction with Government Acts, Regulations, local Ordinances, CN Safety and Operating Rules Standards, and good judgment to facilitate the safe completion of the work.

Additional information regarding safe work practices may be included in contract documents and specifications. In the event of a discrepancy between these guidelines and the contract, the contract shall govern.

CN's Basic Safety Requirements

The Contractor's attention is drawn to the following highlights from CN's "Basic Safety Requirements":

- 1. Take all reasonable measures to ensure the protection of employees, customers, property, and the general public.
- 2. Address promptly all environmental and safety concerns.
- 3. Analyze all accidents or incidents resulting in, or having potential for, loss or injury, and take remedial action promptly to prevent recurrence.
- 4. Require all persons granted access to Company property to comply with applicable Risk Management policies, standards, and procedures.
- 5. Provide employees with appropriate training to enable them to work safely.
- 6. Inspect personal protective equipment (PPE), tools and equipment before use to ensure that they are in good working condition.
- 7. Contractor's employees or subcontractors performing work within the CN right-of-way must familiarize themselves with CN's Contractor Safety Package, complete a Contractor Orientation Course and must be registered on the Contractor Completion Database which can be found at the following website: https://contractororientation.com If you have been contracted by CN and are completing work on behalf of CN, you are required to ensure anyone working on the project within CN right of way has completed eRailSafe. This can be found at the following website: www.erailsafecanada.com

CN's Risk Management policy is premised on the following:

- to work in a safe manner is a condition of employment/Contract;
- all accidents or incidents resulting in loss or injury are preventable;
- it is possible to eliminate or safeguard all operating conditions that may result in injury, property damage, or other losses;
- employees will be provided with appropriate training to enable them to work safely;
- employees and management must work jointly in efforts to promptly resolve and improve safety and health conditions in the workplace.

GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

"Expect the movement of a train, engine, rail car or track unit at any time, on any track, in either direction. Protect yourself and others from the movement of trains, engines, railcars and track units and do not expect them to stop."

If any situation arises which affects the safe movement of trains, CN must be contacted immediately at:

1-800-465-9239.

Alternatively, contact CN's Network Operations Centre in Edmonton at:

1-800-661-3963.

Before any digging is performed on CN property, proper clearance and instructions must be obtained through the Information Technology Command Centre (ITCC Network Management Centre) at:

1-800-661-3687 or 1-800-NO1-FOTS.

In an emergency, any object waved violently by anyone on or near the track is a signal for trains to stop.

Violation of CN's mandatory Contractor Safety training or contravention of these guidelines may result in the immediate removal of the Contractor or the offending personnel from CN property.

Compliance with Government Regulations

Contractors shall follow all applicable Federal, Provincial, and Municipal Acts, Regulations, Laws and Codes, including but not limited to those related to the licensing of workers, occupational health and safety, transportation or handling of dangerous substances, inspection and certification of equipment. As CN is a federally regulated enterprise, Contractors are advised that work undertaken on CN right-of-way may be governed by Federal regulation.

The Contractor must become familiar with all applicable regulations and must ensure compliance by workers at the job site. Supplementary instructions may be issued by CN representatives from time to time.

Contractor's Responsibility

- 1. Before entering upon CN right-of-way, the Contractor must have all documentation properly executed and available for review by CN personnel at the working site. (i.e. Permits, Licenses, Contract Documents, Contractor Safety Approved identification card and/or Waivers).
- 2. Daily briefings must be held at every work site to review the contents of these guidelines and any unique conditions at the site relating to safety. A record must be kept of such briefings by the Contractor's responsible person at the work site. Work site briefings must be updated regularly as the job conditions change
- 3. Unless explicitly permitted by CN, no equipment or vehicle may enter upon the operated right-of-way.
- 4. Unless explicitly permitted by CN, no work shall take place within thirty (30) feet of the nearest rail except in the presence of a CN Protecting Foreman. The CN Protecting Foreman is concerned only with the safe movement of trains and will not be responsible for the safety of the Contractor, the Contractor's personnel or the Contractor's equipment.
- 5. Contractor's personnel must not crawl under, climb over or pass through standing railway equipment.
- 6. Contractor's personnel must not cross a track within thirty (30) feet, of standing railway equipment.
- 7. CN has many power and/or communication cables buried within the CN right-of-way. The Contractor shall be sure of their location before making any excavation, driving stakes or otherwise penetrating the ground surface. In the event of any excavation work that strikes an underground cable adjacent to CN's track, the contractor must make immediate contact with CN
- 8. In accordance with CN's safety standards, Contractor's personnel must wear CN required personal protective equipment at all times while on CN right-of-way. Such equipment will include hard hats, safety glasses, reflective apparel, safety footwear (protective footwear shall meet or exceed CSA Z195 and/or ASTM F2413, shall cover and support the ankle and have a defined heel. In

Canada, the defined heel must be a minimum of 9 mm (3/8 inch) and shall not exceed 25 mm (1 inch). In the US, the defined heel must be a minimum of 12 mm (1/2 inch and shall not exceed 25mm (1 inch). Boots must be equipped with laces, which must be laced to the top and tied. Hearing and respiratory protection and fall arrest equipment shall be worn where signs are posted or when a potential hazard exists.

- No CN plant, signal, structure, equipment or property of any kind may be tampered with, modified or removed.
- 10. "Hi-rail" equipment shall only be operated on the track by personnel qualified in the latest version of the "Canadian Rail Operating Rules".
- 11. Horseplay, practical jokes, fighting or any other activity that may create a hazard will not be tolerated.
- 12. Contractor's personnel must immediately abide by instructions from CN personnel.

Approaching Train

- 1. On the approach of a train, the Protecting Person will communicate to the Contractor's Responsible Person, either by radio or by personal contact, that a train is approaching.
- 2. After receiving the train information from the Protecting Person, the Contractor's Responsible Person must ensure that all workers, equipment and materials are "Clear Of The Track" (as defined in 5.3.5. below) then communicate this to the Protecting Person.
- 3. The Protecting Person will not authorize any trains through the working limits nor authorize cancellation of protection before receiving confirmation that all workers have been alerted, stopped working and the track is clear of workers and machinery.
- 4. After the train has passed, no one is to foul or occupy the track until the Protecting Person has given the authorization. Authorization will be communicated to the Contractor's Responsible Person.

Clear Of The Track

To be Clear of the Track shall be defined as:

- 1. All work has been stopped.
- 2. All workers are made aware of the approaching train and route to be followed.
- 3. All workers, equipment and material have been positioned beyond the clearance limits or at any other location deemed safe by CN. (at least 5 meters (15 feet) from the nearest rail of the track on which the train is to pass with additional allowances for curvature and super elevation).
- 4. All off-track equipment by special approval less than 5 (15 feet) meters of the nearest rail has stopped working and operators have left their equipment.
- 5. All off-track equipment more than 5 meters (15 feet) from the nearest rail has stopped working. Operators may remain in their cabs unless directed otherwise by the Contractor's Responsible Person. All equipment must be properly secured against unintentional movement
- 6. All on-track equipment has been moved into the siding or other track as per the Protecting Person's instruction. Operators will leave their equipment unless directed otherwise by the Contractor's Responsible Person. All unattended equipment must be properly secured against unintentional movement
- 7. Booms, cranes or other similar equipment have been immobilized and the boom is parallel to the railway track(s), and clear of the nearest rail be 5 meters (15 feet)
- Provided there is no possible way for the worker to become unintentionally foul of a passing train, and at the discretion of the CN Supervisor, workers may continue working.

POLICY TO PREVENT WORKPLACE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROBLEMS

Policy standards

The Contractor, subcontractors, employees, suppliers and visitors must remain free from any adverse effects of alcohol or other drugs and conduct themselves in an appropriate manner while on CN business or premises. The Contractor must ensure that all those having access to the site adhere to the following standards when on CN business or premises, including vehicles and equipment:

- 1. No use, possession, distribution or sale of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia.
- 2. No use, possession, distribution or sale of beverage alcohol or any form of alcohol.
- 3. Responsible use of prescribed and over-the-counter medications.
- 4. No distribution, offering or sale of prescription medications.
- 5. To report for duty and remain during the entire period of duty free of the negative effects of alcohol and other drugs, including the after effects of such use.

Consequences of violation

Failure to meet these standards will be considered a breach of the contract. This may at CN's sole discretion, trigger the suspension or termination of the contract.

Policy violation procedures

Where CN has reasonable grounds to believe any individual in the employ of the Contractor or a supplier is on duty in an unsafe condition or otherwise in violation of the Policy, or where during the preliminary phase of any investigation such an individual has been identified as being directly involved in the chain of acts or omissions leading up to an accident or incident:

- 1. CN will escort the individual(s) to a safe place.
- 2. CN will notify the Contractor or supplier.
- 3. The Contractor will investigate the situation.
- 4. The Contractor must satisfy CN that there has been no policy breach.
- 5. If a policy breach has occurred, the individual will not be allowed to continue providing services to CN without written permission from a CN official, and he/she will be required to adhere to any conditions governing his/her return.

Firearms

Firearms (loaded or empty) are not permitted on CN property, except for CN Police officers and other designated persons performing authorized work and when authorized to do so. In all cases, any firearms must be accompanied with a written authorization from the Chief of CN Police and the person should have in his possession all pertinent government permits.

Explosives

No explosives will be permitted on CN property without written CN approval.

Vehicles

Contractor's vehicles on the site must be in safe operating condition. Operators must observe all site speed limits. Unattended vehicles must not be left running unnecessarily. Where they must be left running, the parking brake must be applied. The operator is responsible for the safety of all passengers and the stability of materials being transported.

All vehicles will be parked in a pre-determined area and where required, a designated Contractor entrance shall be used.

Smoking in the Workplace

Smoking is not permitted in any CN interior workplace or motor vehicle.

Security

Contractor's personnel will proceed directly to the Contractor's work location. Contractor's employees must remain at their designated work site and must not wander about the site.

The Contractor shall not permit persons other than the Contractor's personnel to enter the site without the prior written authority of the CN representative.

Emergency Evacuation Procedures

Prior to commencing work, all Contractor's employees must be familiar with the emergency evacuation plan for that work site. The Contractor shall issue written emergency and rescue procedures to the Contractor's personnel and shall post such procedures on the job site.

Unsafe Conditions or Practices

Contractors shall correct or report any unsafe conditions or practices they observe. All such conditions or practices shall be reported to the CN representative at the work site as soon as practical.

Reporting Accidents/Incidents

All accidents/incidents occurring on CN property, that result in or had the potential of causing serious injury, lost work days, vehicle or property damage must be reported to the CN representative within twenty-four (24) hours. All such incidents will be fully investigated by the Contractor.

The Contractor shall subsequently provide a written report to CN (i.e. Company Officer assigned as Liaison to Contractor) within seven (7) days detailing the nature of the incident, the cause(s), regulatory authorities notified, and a specific action plan to prevent recurrence.

<u>Treatment of Injured Personnel (Contractors)</u>

Contractors shall ensure the following is provided for their personnel as required by CN and in accordance with applicable government regulations:

- 1. Adequate first-aid supplies and equipment.
- 2. Qualified personnel to render first-aid treatment.

Audio and Visual Recording Equipment

Cameras and audio-visual equipment are not permitted on CN property without prior approval. Use of personal electronic devices such as smart phones for the purpose of recording video, photographic or audio information is prohibited while on CN property.

Summary

In conclusion, CN requires the full cooperation of the Contractor and the Contractor's employees with these guidelines and all other applicable regulations. Should there be any doubt as to the meaning or interpretation of these guidelines, consult with the CN representative responsible for the worksite.

Contractor Acknowledgement

Contractor/Sub-contractor personnel must read and understand CN's "Safety Guidelines for Contractors and Non-CN Personnel". The Contractor/Sub-contractor must also follow the appropriate Contractor Safety training.