

- (xx) NEW DEFINITION –ENHANCED EMPLOYEE PROTECTION SYSTEM (EEPS) (Effective 04/05/16)
Effective 12:01 A.M. Tuesday, April 05, 2016, a new definition for the Enhanced Employee Protection System (EEPS) is added to page 127 of System Timetable No. 7.

Enhanced Employee Protection System (EEPS)

The Enhanced Employee Protection System (EEPS) is an electronic means of providing track protection to employees along the right of way. Prior to taking a track out of service or issuing foul time, the employee requesting to do so must possess a company issued cell phone. Through their company cell phone, the employee will be given a four digit PIN (EEPS code). When ready to relinquish the out of service limits or foul time, the protected employee must first provide the Dispatcher with their individual EEPS code. Only then will the Dispatcher be able to remove the blocking devices providing protection.

- (xx) SPECIAL INSTRUCTION 133-3 OUT OF SERVICE LIMITS –ENHANCED EMPLOYEE PROTECTION SYSTEM
–NEW

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133-3 OUT OF SERVICE LIMITS –ENHANCED EMPLOYEE PROTECTION SYSTEM (EEPS)

When a track is to be taken out of service and then later returned to service, the employee named on the Form D, Line 4 must take the following actions:

Prior to Removing a Track from Service

1. The employee requesting to remove the track from service must have a company issued cell phone, and confirm this fact and phone number with the Dispatcher.
2. The employee requesting to remove the track from service must then confirm with the Dispatcher that they have received an EEPS code (four digit pin), prior to issuance of the Form D, Line 4 and removal of the track from service.

Prior to Returning a Track to Service

1. The employee named on the Form D, Line 4 must notify the Dispatcher of any restrictions necessary for the safe operation of trains,

AND

2. Determine that all employees and equipment are clear of the limits,

AND THEN

3. Report to the Dispatcher their EEPS code, to allow the Dispatcher to remove protection.

This Special Instruction does not preclude any other requirements for establishing, protecting or ending out of service limits per NORAC Rule 133.

Note 1: EEPS will not be provided between MP 0.0 Hoboken Terminal and MP 0.7 East End. Where not provided, employees are still to follow all other requirements for track protection as per NORAC Rule 133.

(xx) SPECIAL INSTRUCTION 140-2 FOUL TIME –ENHANCED EMPLOYEE PROTECTION SYSTEM –NEW
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140-2 FOUL TIME –ENHANCED EMPLOYEE PROTECTION SYSTEM (EEPS)

When foul time is to be released by the employee granted the foul time, the following actions must be taken:

Prior to Granting Foul Time

1. The employee requesting foul time must have a company issued cell phone, and confirm this fact and phone number with the Dispatcher.
2. The employee requesting foul time must then confirm with the Dispatcher that they have received an EEPS code (four digit pin), prior to the granting of foul time.

Prior to Releasing Foul Time

1. The employee granted the foul time must confirm with the Dispatcher their title and name, and track designation and limits being released,

AND

2. The Dispatcher must repeat this information, and the employee must confirm it,

AND THEN

3. Report to the Dispatcher their EEPS code, to allow the Dispatcher to remove protection.

This Special Instruction does not preclude any other requirements for receiving, providing or releasing foul time per NORAC Rule 140.

Note 1: EEPS will not be provided between MP 0.0 Hoboken Terminal and MP 0.7 East End. Where not provided, employees are still to follow all other requirements for Foul Time as per NORAC Rule 140.

Note 2: EEPS will also not be provided to employees requesting foul time in order to inspect equipment for mechanical or other issues on main tracks. However, Foul Time protection on adjacent tracks must still be provided as per NORAC Rule 140.