



**CONRAIL**

**SIGNAL ASPECTS**

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- RULE 281 INDICATION: Proceed.  
NAME: Clear
- RULE 281(A) INDICATION: Proceed approaching second signal at Medium Speed.  
NAME: Advance Approach Medium
- RULE 281(B) INDICATION: Proceed approaching next signal at Limited Speed which must not be exceeded until receiving a more favorable indication.  
NAME: Approach Limited
- RULE 281(C) INDICATION: Proceed; Limited Speed within interlocking limits and through turnouts  
NAME: Limited Clear  
NOTE: In cab signal territory, trains not equipped with operative cab signals must not exceed Limited Speed to next signal.
- RULE 281(D) INDICATION: Proceed.  
NAME: Approach Clear  
NOTE: Does not convey track information
- RULE 282 INDICATION: Proceed approaching next signal at Medium Speed which must not be exceeded until receiving a more favorable indication.  
NAME: Approach Medium
- RULE 282(A) INDICATION: Proceed at Limited Speed prepared to stop at second signal. Reduction to Limited Speed must commence before engine passes Advance Approach signal.  
NAME: Advance Approach
- RULE 283 INDICATION: Proceed; Medium Speed within interlocking limits and through turnouts  
NAME: Medium Clear  
NOTE: In cab signal territory, trains not equipped with operative cab signals must not exceed Medium Speed to next signal.
- RULE 283(A) INDICATION: Proceed prepared to stop at second signal; Medium Speed within interlocking limits and through turnouts  
NAME: Medium Advance Approach
- RULE 284 INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed approaching next signal at Slow Speed. Reduction to Medium Speed must commence before engine passes Approach Slow signal.  
NAME: Approach Slow
- RULE 285 INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at next signal. Reduction to Medium Speed must commence before engine passes Approach signal.  
NAME: Approach
- RULE 285(A) INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at hand-operated switches and at next signal. Reduction to Medium Speed must commence before engine passes Approach to Stop signal.  
NAME: Approach to Stop  
NOTE: Does not convey block information
- RULE 285(B) INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at next signal. Reduction to Medium Speed must commence before engine passes Approach Restricting signal.  
NAME: Approach Restricting  
NOTE: Does not convey track information
- RULE 286 INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at next signal. Train being governed by Approach Limited Indication must commence reduction to Medium Speed before engine passes Medium Approach Signal.  
NAME: Medium Approach
- RULE 287 INDICATION: Proceed; Slow Speed within interlocking limits and through turnouts  
NAME: Slow Clear
- RULE 288 INDICATION: Proceed; Slow Speed within interlocking limits and through turnouts; then proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at next signal.  
NAME: Slow Approach
- RULE 290 INDICATION: Proceed at Restricted Speed until the entire train has passed a signal displaying a more favorable aspect.  
NAME: Restricting
- RULE 291 INDICATION: Stop; then proceed at Restricted Speed until the entire train has passed a signal displaying a more favorable aspect.  
NAME: Stop and Proceed  
NOTE: Where, in addition to the number plate, a letter G, grade marker, is displayed as part of these aspects, Rule 290 applies.
- RULE 292 INDICATION: Stop  
NAME: Stop Signal
- RULE 293 INDICATION: Limit of the block  
NAME: Block-Limit  
NOTE: Yellow signal to be placed next to track governed.
- RULE 293(A) INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at next Block-Limit signal. Reduction to Medium Speed must commence before engine passes Approach Block-Limit signal.  
NAME: Approach Block-Limit
- RULE 294 INDICATION: Approach the Speed Limit Sign at a speed not exceeding speed shown on Approach Speed Limit Sign.  
NAME: Approach Speed Limit Sign  
NOTE: Where two sets of speed numerals are shown on the Approach Speed Limit Sign, the higher speed numerals apply to passenger and dead head equipment trains, and the lower speed numerals apply to freight trains.
- RULE 294(A) INDICATION: It denotes speed restriction in effect on other track or tracks. In event train is diverted to track on which speed restriction applies, approach the Speed Limit Sign not exceeding speed shown on Approach Speed Limit Sign.  
NAME: Diverting Approach Speed Limit Sign.
- RULE 294(B) INDICATION: Proceed at speed shown on Approach Speed Limit Sign until entire train has passed Resume Speed Sign.  
NAME: Speed Limit Sign
- RULE 294(C) INDICATION: Resume speed after rear of train has passed.  
NAME: Resume Speed Sign
- RULE 295 INDICATION: Proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at Stop Sign. Reduction to Medium Speed must commence before engine passes Approach Sign.  
NAME: Approach Sign
- RULE 295(A) INDICATION: It denotes restricted area on other track or tracks. In event train is diverted to track on which restriction applies, proceed not exceeding Medium Speed prepared to stop at Stop Sign.  
NAME: Diverting Approach Sign
- RULE 295(B) INDICATION: Stop unless permission is received as prescribed by Rule 828 or 829.  
NAME: Stop Sign

SPEEDS

NORMAL SPEED: The maximum speed authorized by Timetable

LIMITED SPEED: Not exceeding 40 miles per hour

MEDIUM SPEED: Not exceeding 30 miles per hour

SLOW SPEED: Not exceeding 15 miles per hour

RESTRICTED SPEED: A speed which will permit stopping within one-half the range of vision, which will result in stopping short of train, obstruction or switch improperly lined, looking out for broken rail and not exceeding 15 miles per hour.

NOTE: Speed applies to the entire train.