

IWA Initial (Inc PTS/DCCR Recert)

This course is designed to train persons who have been nominated by their line manager/sponsor to enable them to attain the Individual Working Alone (IWA) competence.

The IWA competence is required to be held by anyone who is required to work on or near the line on their own.

The IWA course will take delegates through the procedures as set out in the Rule Book; Handbook 6 (General Duties of an IWA), Handbook 8 (IWA, COSS or PC blocking a line) and Handbook 9 (IWA or COSS setting up safe systems of work within possessions).

Instructions

It is the Sponsors responsibility to ensure candidates booked onto the course are eligible for the training they are to receive and in line with any relevant medical level or restriction that may apply, in accordance with NR/L2/OHS/00124 Competence Specific Fitness Medical Requirements.

Please be aware that candidates will be treated on a training event as if they are at work and they must comply with the relevant medical policy and bring their Sentinel Smartcard which will be swiped at the start of the course.

Please note this is a modular course and elements **MUST** be successfully completed **BEFORE** continuation with the course, these elements can be failed which will result in the termination of the course event at that time. No monies will be refunded or credited for the course or part thereof due to failing to achieve the required pre requisite competence(s) to allow overall competence to be awarded.

Must be a minimum age of 18.

Meet the medical requirements of Network Rail Standard NR/L2/OHS/00124 Competence Specific Fitness Medical Requirements to medical level 1 or 3 (must be able to work alone) and Network Rail Standard NR/L2/OHS/00120 (Drugs & Alcohol).

Must have sufficient command of English language as detailed in Network Rail Company Specification NR/L2/CTM/021 (Competence & Training in Track Safety).

Must bring Sentinel smart card with valid PTS and not undergoing learning support. *(When the employer is satisfied that the individual no longer requires learning support (green square) they shall complete a sponsors confirmation of competence. Learning support shall not exceed 24 months. Where the candidate is unable to fully meet the criteria of competence within the 24 month period they shall be required to attend initial training. The employer shall be able to provide records of workplace experience the individual has completed during the learning support period).*

Must hold the DCCR competency to sit the DCCR module of this training due to it being a recertification only.

Must Bring Photo ID - For British Nationals, one of the following (**original hard copy - not electronically**): a current and valid branded form of identity token, used for accessing the RMI (Railway Maintained Infrastructure) such as a Sentinel Card; in-date and valid full driving licence; in-date and valid UK Provisional Photo Card Driving Licence; in-date and valid passport, a UK biometric ID Card/Residence Permit (BRP), an Armed Forces Identity Card, a proof of age card recognised under PASS with a unique reference number (this includes the Citizen ID Card), N.I. Electoral Identity Card or a resident permit as per Home Office guidance.

For Non-British Nationals - an in-date and valid passport, Identity Card or Driving Licence from an EU or European Economic Area (EEA) country or a US Passport Card is required (**original hard copy - not electronically**).

Network Rail Handbook module 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 (we recommend that you revise these modules before attending the course).

Must bring PPE – hard hat, Orange Hi-Visibility clothing to RIS-3279-TOM standard, Safety boots with full ankle and mid-sole protection and gloves.

Please advise of any special needs i.e. Dyslexia

It is the responsibility of the individual trainees Manager to decide upon their suitability to attend the course in accordance with the current issue of NR/L2/CTM/021 Competence & Training in Track Safety.

Further Information

Following successful completion of the IWA Initial training, candidates must undertake an on-site assessment within Network Rail controlled infrastructure and conducted under a valid Safe System of Work plan within 4 months and have completed a minimum of 4 duties on-site entered into their logbook and approved by the Line manager.

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