



**THE SHOEburyNESS
MILITARY TRAMWAYS
BYELAWS**

Made by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, under the provisions of the Military Tramways Act, 1887, for regulating the use of the Military Tramways at Shoeburyness in the County of Essex.

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1960 No. 388

TRAMWAYS

The Shoeburyness Military Tramways Byelaws, 1960
Made 28th January, 1960
Coming into Operation 29th June, 1960

Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 8 of the Military Tramways Act, 1887(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby, with the approval of the Minister of Transport, makes the following Byelaws:—

APPLICATION OF BYELAWS

1. These Byelaws shall apply to the Shoeburyness Military Tramway (hereinafter referred to as "the tramway"), that is to say, the tramway and the extensions thereof constructed and operated under the provisions of the Shoeburyness Military Tramways Orders, 1893 to 1958(b).

WORKING OF TRAMWAY

2. The part of the tramway which lies to the South and West of Blackgate Road shall be worked on the "Staff" system with a single engine or with two or more engines coupled together, such engine or coupled engines carrying the staff and one staff only being used.

MAXIMUM SPEED

3. The maximum speed permitted for trains along the tramway shall be 15 miles per hour but at all the level crossings referred to in Byelaw No. 4 hereof (other than those merely over footpaths) the speed of a train shall not exceed 3 miles per hour.

CONTROL OF LEVEL CROSSINGS

4. (1) At the Campfield Road and Chapel Road level crossings (at each of which the level crossing gates open across the road) —
- (a) the gates shall be kept closed and locked across the tramway except when required to be opened for the passage of a train,
 - (b) on the approach of a train the gates shall be closed across the road and shall remain so closed until the train has passed completely over the level crossing; and

(a) 50 & 51 Vict. c.65

(b) S.R. & O. 1895/38, 1896/670, 1904/1435; S.I. 1958/1047.

- (c) as soon as possible after the passage of the train the gates shall be returned to their original position across the tramway and shall be closed and locked there.
- (2) At the High Street Shoebury and the Blackgate Road level crossings (at each of which the level crossing gates open away from the road) —
- (a) the gates shall be kept closed and locked across the tramway except when required to be opened for the passage of a train,
 - (b) a person displaying a red danger flag by day and a red lamp by night shall warn the public of the approach of any train,
 - (c) all trains shall stop just short of the level crossing before proceeding thereover, and
 - (d) as soon as possible after the passage of a train the gates shall be returned to their original position across the tramway and shall be closed and locked there.
- (3) At the Wakering Stairs Road level crossings (where there are no level crossing gates) —
- (a) a person displaying a red danger flag by day and a red lamp by night shall warn the public of the approach of any train, and
 - (b) all trains shall stop just short of the level crossing before proceeding thereover.
- (4) At the Cupid's Chase Footpath level crossing (where there are no level crossing gates) all trains shall proceed over the level crossing with special caution.

MAINTENANCE OF LEVEL CROSSING GATES

5. At each of the level crossings referred to in Byelaw No. 4 hereof where there are level crossing gates —
- (a) the gates shall be painted white,
 - (b) there shall be fixed to each gate a red and white target facing the tramway,
 - (c) there shall also be fixed to each gate which opens across a road a similar red and white target facing the road,
 - (d) whenever a level crossing is used for the passage of a train after dark there shall be displayed on each of the gates one or more red lamps facing the same way as the target or targets on that gate, and
 - (e) the gates and the targets shall be maintained in a proper condition and the paint thereon shall be renewed as often as is necessary to ensure that they are always readily and clearly visible to all persons approaching the level crossing.

USE OF LEVEL CROSSING

6. (1) Except in the event of accident or other unforeseen occurrence no train or part of a train shall be allowed to remain stationary on any of the level crossings referred to in Byelaw No. 4 hereof.
- (2) No public road or path shall be closed for the purpose of traffic on the tramway over any of the level crossings referred to in Byelaw No. 4 hereof longer than is reasonably necessary for such purpose.

SOUNDING OF WHISTLE

7. The driver of the engine on every train shall sound the engine whistle when approaching all level crossings and shall also sound that whistle elsewhere when necessary as a warning.

TRAFFIC AT NIGHT

8. (1) There shall be no regular traffic on the tramway after dark.
- (2) Where in exceptional circumstances a train is run after dark a suitable headlight shall be carried on the engine.

MOVING TRAINS

9. No person shall enter or leave a train while it is in motion.

EXPLOSIVES

10. No person except the attendant or attendants on duty shall travel in any wagon carrying explosives.

LIGHT ENGINES

11. These Byelaws shall apply to light engines as they apply to trains and accordingly in these Byelaws the word "train" shall, except where the context otherwise requires, include a light engine.

PENALTIES

12. Any person contravening any of the foregoing Byelaws shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds for each offence.

COMING INTO OPERATION—CITATION—REVOCATION

13. (1) These Byelaws shall come into operation on the 29th day of June, 1960, and may be cited as the Shoeburyness Military Tramways Byelaws, 1960.
- (2) The Byelaws with respect to the Shoeburyness Military Tramway made on the 25th day of August, 1896(c), and the

(c) Not published as S.R. & O.

Supplementary Byelaw with respect to the Shoeburyness
Military Tramway made on the 17th day of April, 1915(c)
are hereby revoked.

DATED this 28th day of January, 1960.

CHRISTOPHER SOAMES,
*Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State
for the War Department.*

The approval of the Minister of Transport to the making of
these Byelaws is hereby signified.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this
twenty-second day of February, 1960.

(L.S.)

T. F. BIRD,
*An Under Secretary of the Ministry
of Transport.*

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